

## District/Governor's/Rotaract Grant Final Report Form

This report must be completed and uploaded on [matchinggrants.org](https://matchinggrants.org) within 30 days after completion of the project but no later than 2 years after the date of approval of the project. For scholarships, the report is due 30 days after payment of funds.

Rotary Year 23-24

District Grant # (from [matchinggrants.org](https://matchinggrants.org)) P-5108

Rotary Club:

Lander

Project Title: Little Food Pantry

Project Description: **Provide emergency food to homeless**

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1. Is this a scholarship governor's grant report? Yes ☐ No ☒ (If yes, go directly to line 16)
  2. Briefly describe the project. What was done and where did the project activities take place? Explain how the beneficiaries and other community members were involved?

The project was conducted during the winter of 2023-2024. Food was purchased for Emergency Little Food Pantries in the Lander community that are similar in concept to Little Free Libraries. The four pantries are situated around town and allow people to "take what they need" and permit others to give what they can.. The pantries are particularly helpful during the cold-weather months of the year. Funds will be used to purchase food. Items in the food pantries include nutritional:

- Easy-open canned goods
- Grab and go snacks
- Vacuum packed proteins

Rotarians sorted food, allocated it for distribution throughout the winter and delivered it to the pantries.

How project meets needs: This food is available 24/7 and is nutritional. There are local resources to help with more substantial and on-going food needs (Lander Care and Share Food Bank and First Stop), but emergency, at-this-moment needs are not able to be met.

3. How many Rotarians participated in this project? \_approximately 14\_\_\_\_
4. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.
  - a. Purchase food for the homeless
  - b. Divide food for by-weekly delivery to two food pantries
  - c. Deliver food to pantries, monitor of food use
  - d. Club members brought food for the pantry with a food drive in November and a peanut butter drive from Jan to May.
5. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? \_\_\_\_\_

This project is for the homeless and hungry of the community. No number is determined.

6. Who are the beneficiaries and what is the expected long-term community impact of this project?

The beneficiaries are the homeless and hungry of the community who obtain food at these locations. The food purchased are high protein, instant, shelf stable, and do not require any supplies to open or prepare.

7. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was their role?

N/A

8. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Lander Rotary Club	\$472.11
District 5440	\$666
<b>Total Project Income</b>	<b>\$1138.11</b>

9. Expenditures: (number receipts starting with 1 and indicate a receipt # (s) for each expenditure) (Do not include travel expenses)

If international project convert amounts to US dollars	Receipt # (s)	Budgeted Amount	Actual Amount
Food	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	\$1000	\$183.74
Receipts #1 = \$183.74;			\$127.26
#2 = \$127.26			\$89.59
#3 = \$89.59			\$276.92
#4 = \$276.92			\$263.18
#5 = \$263.18			\$189.46
#6 = \$189.46 + \$7.96			\$7.96

Total project expenditures		\$1,000	\$1,138.11

10. Please explain any variance of more than 5% between the budgeted amount and the actual amount including the reason for the variance and why the alternative was chosen.

The Lander Rotary Club continues this project without grant support and contributed more than the required because members see the need for this project in the community.

11. Project score (5=strongly, 4=agree, 3= neutral, 2=disagree, 1=strongly disagree)

	Project Score	Comments
The overall project was successful	4	To provide food for the homeless and hungry on an on-going basis, we would need to purchase more. What we do provide goes well and fast. Sometimes there would be nothing left in the pantry and other days other community members would have overstocked the pantries. The pantries need regular monitoring to achieve the best balance of meeting needs.
The grant process worked well	5	
My interaction with partner clubs was good	N/A	
We achieved the results we expected	4	We provided all the food we could purchase, then requested more funding from the club, the club food drives were fair, although many members preferred to donate money to purchase the food.

12. Did you upload photos in your project on matchinggrants.org under the Photos tab? (If not, please do so)

Yes

13. What worked well on this project and why?

In discussing ways to engage more members, we came up with the idea to package the bags for bi-weekly delivery and labeled each bag with the date to deliver and location. This when we would bring a set of 12-14 bags, Rotarians at the meeting would take the bags and deliver on their date. This process enabled club Rotarians to participate. Previously the Service Committee members did the purchase and delivery.

14. What did not work well and how would you suggest improving it?

When talking to the other nonprofits involved in feeding the hungry, it would be great to gain some organizations on the food pantries other than “leave what you can and take what you need ” policy so those providing food could ensure we are stocking weekly as people are hungry every day. Also increasing the amount of money to purchase food would help.

15. How was this project publicized?

This project is designed to help feed the hungry- in particular the homeless. The locations of the Little Pantries are provided at the town’s First Stop, the Community food bank, and at the free clinic. We share all service committee projects at the Service tent during our annual Community lunch/fundraiser of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July so the community learns about the Lander Rotary Club’s activities on a local, national (1<sup>st</sup> Nations), and international level.

16. Scholarship Governor’s grant only

- a. Name of scholarship awardee \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Current school \_\_\_\_\_
- c. University of college they will be attending \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Course of study \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Starting date \_\_\_\_\_

Project Inventory

Please list all items provided in this grant that are over \$500 in value and are not expendable.

Item Purchased	Date of Purchase	Cost	Initial Destination/ Location	Comments
N/A				

By signing this report, I confirm that to the best of my knowledge these District Grant funds were spent only for eligible items in accordance with Trustee-approved guidelines, and that all the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures are

attached. I also understand that all photographs submitted in connection with this report will become the property of RI and will not be returned. I warrant that I own all rights to the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant the District, RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or in the future, through the District and the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or developed. This includes the right to modify the photographs as necessary in the District's and RI's sole discretion. This also includes, without limitation, use on or in the web sites, magazines, brochures, pamphlets, exhibitions and any other promotional materials of the District, RI, and TRF.

**Please attach all receipts or an invoice and a copy of the check used to pay the invoice. Funds over \$100 not used must be returned to the district grants treasurer.**

Certifying signature of primary contact:

\_\_\_\_\_ *Cassy Dierking Venters* \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 5/20/25 \_\_\_\_\_

Print name \_\_\_\_\_ Cassy Dierking Venters \_\_\_\_\_

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