

## District Grant Application

<b>Rotary Club of:</b> Newport-Balboa	<b>Date:</b> 4-28-25
<b>Project Name/Title:</b> Teacher Grants	
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**1. Please provide a brief description of the project, and indicate the project beneficiaries (who is being served?):**

Our club members will work closely with the teachers at Rea Elementary, Wilson Elementary and Pomona Elementary (Newport-Mesa Unified School District) to explain this program and the application process for the teacher grants at the beginning of the school year in 2025-2026. a grant application will be provided to our club by each teacher applying for a grant that identifies the project materials they wish to request funding for. Applications will spell out how the funds will be used, how the students will benefit, and the anticipated timeline for the projects. Teacher grants are used for books, puzzles, playground equipment, musical instruments, gardening supplies etc. The only limit on these grants is the teacher's imagination! Both the teachers AND their students benefit from this project for years to come! Upon completion of these grants, we will invite the teachers to one of our club meetings in April 2026 to share their projects with the club.

**2. Indicate the project start and end dates:** *(The project may not begin prior to the district receiving approval from TRF. Reimbursements for earlier expenses are not eligible. Projects must have an end date no later than the end of the Rotary year.)*

Project start date:	Uppn approval
Project end date:	June 2026

**3. Project location (select one):** ☒ Community ☐ Mexico  
*(If the project is in Mexico, will there be a Rotary club from Mexico involved in the project? If so, indicate the name of the Rotary club and explain the members' involvement.)*

N/A

**4. List the project funding amounts** *(Club contribution must be equal to or greater than the amount requested from the district):*

Club contribution:	\$	2,500
District DDF (amount requested from district):	\$	2,500
Other participating clubs - list club name(s) and contribution amount(s) below:		
	\$	
	\$	
<b>Grant Project - Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,000</b>



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5. **Indicate whether there is other involvement and financial support** *(If non-Rotary organizations will be involved in your club project, please describe the involvement and any financial support you are receiving for the project – for example, in-kind contributions, discounts, cash donations):*

N/A

6. **Describe the participation of club members** *(Your club members must be actively involved in this project. Please indicate how many members of your club will participate in this project and describe their activities):*

Approximately 10 club members will work closely with the teachers at Rea Elementary, Wilson Elementary and Pomona Elementary (Newport-Mesa Unified School District) to explain this program and the application process for the teacher grants at the beginning of the school year in 2025-2026. Once the grants have been submitted, they will be reviewed by the participating club members will use a rubric to rate the grant applications to determine which grants will be funded.

7. **Describe how funds will be safeguarded and tracked** *(If funds are to be distributed to a partner in Mexico who will be responsible for the funds? How will transfers of funds to Mexico be handled?):*

Funds will be safe guarded according to the MOU.

8. **Describe how your club will use the project funds (list the types of expenses / items to be purchased):**

Project funds will be used to fund the items requested by the teacher.