

Rotary International
Rotary District 5340
Rotary Foundation District Grant Final Report

Deadline for submission: April 1st, 2013

Must be filed electronically on: <http://www.matchinggrants.org/district>

Grant Information (to be completed by District Grant contact)

1. District Grant # (check website for #) P-136
2. Name of District Grant Spring Valley Microcredit – **Check!**
3. Briefly describe the grant and list any changes that might have occurred (100 words or less)

Women microentrepreneurs received \$250 loans to start up their businesses, including business cards, permit fees, licenses, promotional materials, ingredients, and merchandise to trade at swap meets or farmers markets, or from their homes. In addition to the microloans, women attend business workshops at the borrowing centers on a weekly basis, receive mentorship to support their business projects and we facilitate marketplace opportunities to expose them to the market, test their products and bring income to their families. The impact in these women's life is very clear considering many of them don't even have a concrete idea of what to do or how to do it when they come to our meetings for the first time.

4. Provide a brief (100 words or less) of lessons learned in implementing this grant and how this will improve future grant funded projects:

To serve the needs of these women, we learned that besides the loans, there are many other things they need to accomplish, for which, we have partnered with other nonprofits, i.e. San Diego Futures Foundation, who has provided them with computers, The Small Business Development Center for mentorship and business workshops, the National Conflict Resolution Center with some life improvement workshops, the Debt Wave providing credit management and budgeting training, and other private parties for mentorship, business workshops and private parties for our vendors.

5. How has your club or community been impacted by this grant? (Check all that apply)

Involvement of Rotarians in our Club in humanitarian grants has increased.

Our Club's international Rotary networks have been strengthened.

Annual giving to the Rotary Foundation in our Club has increased.

Club membership has increased.

Our club's awareness of the needs in our community has increased.

Participation in a District Grant has not changed our Club in any significant way

Others: _____

6. Given your experience, please provide any suggestions you believe would improve District Grants and the process to receive and implement them.

5. Financial Summary

Amount of District Grant funds received: 2,500

Amount of Club funds used in grant: 2,500

Amount of other funds used in grant:

Total

7. Receipts and Financial statements

Please include all invoices and receipts in electronic format to your web page on the District Grants web page: <http://www.matchinggrants.org/district/>