

Final reports are due within 30 days of the project ending, and no later than June 15, 2018. Please complete this form by filling in the fields below. You must also provide a scanned copy of valid Proof of Payment (PoP) for all expenses listed. Acceptable PoPs include: cancelled checks, bank statements, bonafide itemized receipts. Once you have completed the report, please save it as a pdf document at <http://www.matchinggrants.org/district/> on the Documents tab of the project page before clicking the "Reported" button on the Administration page.

Rotary Club Rotary Club of Chicago Cosmopolitan **District Grant #** P-2547

Project Title Lighting with Peace – Little Village

1. Briefly describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place, and who were the beneficiaries? List any changes that might have occurred.

On December 21st, we held our Lighting with Peace vigil and celebration. The Rotary-sponsored event brought youth and families from the community together to participate in an evening of peace-building. Members of Padres Angeles of St. Agnes of Bohemia Church and volunteers walked around the community with electric candles and participated in a peace vigil. Children and families from the neighborhood accompanied us, singing songs of peace. We then congregated in a church gym. Participants shared stories about how violence had previously impacted their lives and how they now live lives of peace. They also talked with members of Padres Angeles about strategies to promote peace in their homes. Afterwards, people socialized and had sweet bread (pan dulce) and hot chocolate in the gym. Meanwhile, the children kept busy at a table set up to do artwork, and they wrote peaceful messages inside paper dove cutouts. The doves then were hung together on the wall to make a Peace tree. We then had a piñata for the children, and they sang songs and enjoyed the game. As the families left, we handed out little bags of treats. The people who benefitted the most from this were the families of Little Village, as well as the Rotarians who participated. The Rotarians had not traditionally come out to this part of the city and it was enlightening to see how people came together and supported one another despite a lack of resources. Families and youth from the neighborhood left with a stronger sense of community and ideas on how to promote peace within the community.

2. How many Rotarians participated in the project? 2

3. What did they do? Please give at least 2 examples.

Rotarians helped to serve sweet bread and hot chocolate, as well as hand out bags of sweets. They also monitored the piñata game to make sure that the children were safe and interacted with the community participants, who shared their stories of living in Little Village.

4. How many non-Rotarians benefitted from this project? 300 people

5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?

this event is a series of events that Padres Angeles puts on for the community. Each of these events is aimed at reducing violence and creating a sense of community and peace for individuals who feel disconnected. By hosting these events, the goal is to have people voice the challenges that they are facing and get the support they need so that they don't participate in violence to act out. Overall, Padres Angeles seeks to reduce gang violence both in Little Village and in the city, as well.

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?

Padres Angeles and St. Agnes were our partners in this event. Padres Angeles was formed after several women were devastated by the loss of their loved ones to gang violence. In response, they decided to promote peace and created this organization. Padres Angeles organized the Lighting with Peace event and facilitated the discussions around peace. St. Agnes is the church out of which Padres Angeles operates. The church has over 3,000 parishioners and many residents of Little Village rely on the services of the church. The church regularly hosts Padres Angeles' events.

7. How did you share the news of your project?

We advertised this event through social media via Facebook, as well as created an Eventbrite so that the public could attend. Additionally, we posted this event in our Rotary Cosmo newsletter, shared the information to the

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Rotary Chicago Coalition, and sent out emails to our club. We made announcements at our club meetings, as well.

Financial Summary – Be sure that Income equals Expenditures!

8. <u>Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
District Grant funds received	<u>\$1000</u>
Club contribution	<u>\$0</u>
Other funding (specify)	<u>\$0</u>
Total Project Income	<u>\$1000</u>

9. Actual Expenditures Valid Proof of Payment must be saved in pdf on <http://www.matchinggrants.org/district/>

<u>Date</u>	<u>Expense Type</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>12/19/18</u>	<u>food</u>	<u>Sam's Club</u>	<u>\$247.82</u>
<u>12/20/18</u>	<u>arts and crafts</u>	<u>Michael's</u>	<u>\$329.80</u>
<u>12/20/18</u>	<u>food</u>	<u>Pete's Fresh Market</u>	<u>\$47.62</u>
<u>12/20/18</u>	<u>arts and crafts</u>	<u>Walmart</u>	<u>\$27.30</u>
<u>12/20/18</u>	<u>food</u>	<u>Pete's Fresh Market</u>	<u>\$9.39</u>
<u>12/21/18</u>	<u>candy</u>	<u>Dulcelandia</u>	<u>\$84.85</u>
<u>12/21/18</u>	<u>candles, arts, and crafts</u>	<u>Walmart</u>	<u>\$65.62</u>
<u>12/21/18</u>	<u>sweet bread</u>	<u>Panaderia Coral</u>	<u>\$142.40</u>

Total Project Expenditures

954.80

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