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District Grant Final Report 2018-2019

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District Grant # P2566

Rotary Club: Rotary Club of Estes Park

Project Title: Amaro Tan Summer Camp

Project Description:

1. 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?

Grant funding was used to support a summer camp for 53 students from the Amaro Tan School in Pogradec, Albania. Amaro Tan is a school for Roma, Balkan Egyptian, and at-risk Albanian children, grades kindergarten through 9th grade. Students at this school come from poor families, and have limited access to education and social support. Summer camp, held for three weeks each August, allows the school social work team to maintain their connection with the children, reducing the risk of summer attrition from school. It also allows the children the opportunity to be with their friends and have fun.

The camp took place Monday, August 13 through Friday, August 29th, from 9am through 1:30 pm, at a Pogradec park near Lake Ohrid. Students were split into 4 groups by age and participated in age-appropriate outdoor activities facilitated by their teachers and social workers. Students had transport to and from home every day, and a healthy breakfast and lunch. On the last day of camp, they enjoyed a field trip to the neighboring city of Korçë, which many of them had never visited.

2. How many Rotarians participated in this project?

Although the Rotary Club of Estes Park funded the summer camp, no members were able to travel to Albania to help with the camp this year.

3. What did they do? Please give at least two examples. N/A
Note that Nehemiah Gateway will be happy to invite Rotarians (from the US and Albania) to visit camp in future years.

4. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project?

53 children participated in the camp.

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

The primary beneficiaries of this project are the students of Amaro Tan who attend the camp. Grant funding makes it possible for these children, who come from extremely poor and often dysfunctional home environments, to be in the company of their peers in an environment that supports both learning and fun. It gives them access, which they would certainly otherwise not have, to two nutritious and filling meals per day [note that in Albania, lunch is the biggest meal of the day].

In addition to the immediate benefits of nutrition and wholesome fun, the camp helps to keep these children in school. Much like in the US, Albania has a 3-month summer break. For children living in extreme poverty, this is a risky time. They are expected to help support their families through menial work, such as begging. They don't get enough to eat, and their personal hygiene suffers. They face pressure to drop out of school, as many of them come from communities that don't value education. Girls in Albania are at heightened risk of being trafficked during this time.

Without education, these children have little chance of breaking the cycle of poverty and building better lives for themselves as adults. This summer camp, while all fun and games, helps severely at-risk children have a better chance at a brighter future.

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

The Amaro Tan School, and its summer school, is a project of Nehemiah Gateway Albania, a longstanding and well-regarded Pogradec nonprofit organization.

7. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Club Donations / Rotary District Grant	\$2100
Nehemiah Gateway Albania	\$4075
Total Project Income	\$6175

8. 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
Transportation to and from camp, and on field trip to Korçë	N/A	\$450	\$488
Materials for daily activities	1,2,3,4	\$200	\$189
Food (breakfast and lunch)	N/A	\$1450 (\$1.45 per child per day)	\$1396.50
Staff time (9 teachers, 1 social worker, NG admin support)— NOT COVERED BY GRANT		\$4075	\$4075
Total project expenditures		\$6175	\$6148.5

9. 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.

N/A

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

	Project Score	Comments
The overall project was successful	5	
The grant process worked well	5	
My interaction with partner clubs was good	3	
We achieved the results we expected	5	

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

YES

12. What worked well on this project and why?

This camp is popular with Amaro Tan students and staff. Social Worker Leonora Bufi says “The organized games helped the children be informed about new things, collaborate with each other, be entertained, and have fun. The camp provided an environment where children had opportunities to feel involved and appreciated, by engaging them in carefully selected activities, appropriate for them, as well as entertaining, challenging, and encouraging for their age.”

As for the children:

Paola says that she had a great time in the camp, and that the camp has a super view, where you can see the lake, birds, the sun etc.

Lukas says that the camp was fantastic.

Medina says she had lots of fun in the camp and enjoyed it.

The staff further adds that the materials were great and appropriate. The food was abundant, and the children loved it, and the setting was pleasant and suitable for the camp.

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

Amaro Tan has about 140 students each year, but only 53 came to camp. A few students were unable to attend because they live outside of Pogradec on roads that are inaccessible by bus. Next year, the Amaro Tan team plans to make sure that everybody who wishes to go to camp is able to do so. They will do this by adding a smaller and more rugged vehicle to pick up those children who need it.

14. How was this project publicized?

Families are notified, and students are invited, by staff at Amaro Tan during the school year.

Project Inventory

Please list all items provided in this grant that are over \$75 in value and are not expendable.

Item Purchased	Date of Purchase	Cost	Destination/ Location	Comments

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

Jack Boatman Date: 9/25/19

Print name

Jack Boatman

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Optimal Aloe 100C LeL	4	99	396
Optimal Kamonji 100C LeL	4	99	396
Stol / Vogel Enes	10	189	1890
K. Elisabet 55F	8	20	160
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Estes Park Rotary Foundation INC

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