

2019 – 2020 District Grant Final Report

Final reports are due within 30 days of the project ending, and no later than June 1, 2020. 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 Lemont Homer Glen Rotary **District Grant #** 6450

Project Title Feed My Starving Children converted to Feed Our Local Food Pantries

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.

This project was primarily done at Lemont Oakwood and Rivervalley Schools through the Rotary sponsored Interact Clubs. This year the students raised money and awareness for Veterans. And were ambassadors to their class rooms for Random Acts of Kindness and other team and leadership building activities. This years grant money was to purchase the T shirts for the Earlyact Club and to send them with the Lemont High School Interact students to a Feed My Starving Children Program by bus. The T shirts were purchased. Group met Early Act met monthly and worked on community events. We also had the ShelterBox program the week of March 10th, which turned out to be the last day of school. The Feed My Starving Children trip had been planned for May. So unfortunately we were not able to complete it. The additional grant money was diverted to our Local Food Pantries and a community charitable organization. We reached out to area businesses and advertised the donation to the Food Pantries. In addition, our Rotarians joined a local Miles 2gether fundraiser for the local food panties and a community charitable organization Hope and Friendship Foundation.

2. How many Rotarians participated in the project? Two Rotarians worked on the Tshirts and attended some of the meetings. Two Rotarians worked on getting the ShelterBox to Lemont and set up. Eight Rotarians participated in the Miles 2gether fundraiser.
3. What did they do? Please give at least 2 examples. Coordination and ordering the Tshirts. Attending Early Act Meetings. Coordinate with teachers and ShelterBox organization to set up time for ShelterBox presentation and coordinate setup. One Rotarian picked the tent up from the District Meeting, delivered to the school and at the end of the event returned the ShelterBox. One Rotarian helped with set up. Two Rotarians attended the meeting presentation on Shelter Box. One Rotarian ensured everything ran smoothly on the day of the event. One Rotarian coordinated payments.

One Rotarian solicited donations from area businesses for the Food Pantries and Hope and Friendship. One Rotarian coordinated payments. Eight Rotarians participated in the Miles 2gether event which involved purchasing a T shirt, proceeds of which went to the same organizations, walking 2 miles and then posting pictures on social media. To raise awareness. Member purchased their own Tshirts individually.

4. How many non-Rotarians benefitted from this project? I believe our entire grade school of over 1400 students have benefited from our Early Act program. The children in Early Act act as leadership ambassadors to the rest of the school and bring back reports to their class rooms about the service above self-initiatives they are working on. Obviously, this also impacts their families, which make a connection to the rest of our community. Through our further assistance to the food pantries and community organization I believe in the end this project has touched our entire community. The tshirts continue to be a marketing and publicity platform even after the project ends.
5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project? Our project should continue to benefits our community in the long term as these are projects that we have been funding our food pantries since our inception 10 years ago and the tshirt project for our Early Act for over 7 years. This year one of our high school award winners was an Early Act participant. The legacy will continue. We are working on building future leaders, while it will take time it should also continue to reap benefits into the future.

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6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role? This project required the cooperation of: District 113A teachers, administrators, and parents; Lemont Methodist Food Pantry, Bethany Food Pantry, and the Hope and Friendship Foundation; Eiches Sports, Marathon Sports and OSCO Oil also contributed to the benefit of the project. If we had been able to finish the grant as planned then we would have been working the the Feed My Starving Children Fund.
7. How did you share the news of your project? The project was publicized through the school, their website and facebook page and the Lemont Rotary Facebook page.

Financial Summary – Be sure that Income equals Expenditures!

8. <u>Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
District Grant funds received	___ 500 _____
Club contribution	___ 551.50 _____
Other funding (specify)	___ 500 Mayors Golf Outing _____
Total Project Income	___ 1551.50 _____

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>
11/07/19	___ Tshirts _____	Marathon Sports	_ 751.50 _____
5/4/20	Donation	Hope and Friendship	_ 200. _____
5/4/20	Donation	Lemont Methodist Pantry	_ 300. _____
5/4/20	Donation	Bethany Food Pantry	_ 300 _____
Total Project Expenditures			_ 1551.50 _____

By completing this report, I confirm that to the best of my knowledge my Club has abided by the District Grants Program Details as set forth by Rotary International District 6450 and is in compliance with The Rotary Foundation Grants Terms and Conditions. Any deviation may result in a requirement to return District Funds. 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 in the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or at any time in the future, throughout the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or later developed. This includes the right to modify the photograph(s) as necessary in 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 RI and TRF.

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