

2019 - 2020 District Grant Final Report

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Rotary Club Chicago Heights-Park Forest

District Grant # 2800

Project Title Dictionary Project

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.

Each year every third grader in the Chicago Heights and Park Forest elementary schools receive their own dictionary. Each dictionary received a label on the inside pocket of the book listing our club name and the 4-Way test. In total 15 schools that included 36 classrooms were visited. 604 dictionaries were distributed, 593 to students and 11 to individual classrooms for use in the room.

- 2. How many Rotarians participated in the project?
 Five Rotarians participated in the project in different capacities
- 3. What did they do? Please give at least 2 examples.

First, Rotarians helped with the delivery of all of the boxes of dictionaries at a fellow Rotarians house Second, stickers were put on each book describing our club and listing the 4-Way test Third, each classroom was contacted and books were divided for the amount of students in each classroom Fourth, each classroom was visited by Rotarians where they introduced themselves and mentioned the 4-Way test

Finally, each student received a dictionary

- 4. How many non-Rotarians benefitted from this project? Ten non-Rotarians participated in distributing the dictionaries. They were students from a local community center called the Harold Colbert Jones Memorial Community Center.
- 5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?
 With our club residing in a low-income area (Chicago Heights & Park Forest), the importance of literacy is stressed. Sadly, for many of our students this is their very first book that they own. Most of them are excited to receive their books. It is the hope these students will get the value out of the dictionary with all of the useful information it provides.
- 6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?
 Another school in our community titled SPEED helped with the distribution of dictionaries to some of the classrooms. This students are developmentally challenged so they take great pride in doing and joy in giving each student a dictionary.
- 7. How did you share the news of your project?

 A picture was taken in each classroom visited and then posted on our club Facebook page, newsletter and at our weekly meeting.



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8. Income Amount
District Grant funds received 363.00
Club contribution 1,368.00

Other funding (specify)

Total Project Income 1,512.00

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>

10/10/2019 The Dictionary Project \$1,368.00 11/3/2010 The Dictionary Project \$144.00

Total Project Expenditures \$1,512

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