

# Rotary District 5495

## District Grant Final Report

Due April 30, 2024 – Complete at Conclusion of Project

Project Title: Verde Valley Imagination Library

Rotary Club of: Verde Valley (collaborating with Sedona and Sedona Village)

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### Project Description

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1. Briefly describe the project outcomes. What was done (in 100 words or less)? The Verde Valley Imagination provided FREE age-appropriate books to children birth to Age 5 in the Verde Valley, including Sedona. The books are funded by the VVIL and mailed by the Dollywood Foundation to the child's home with their name on the mailing label. We served 2,300 children in the calendar year 2023, and currently have approximately 1,800 children enrolled. The numbers are tracked by the Imagination Library database and the number served includes all children enrolled and who graduated in 2023.

When (dates) and where (city, state and country) did project activities take place?  
Verde Valley, Arizona. Cities include Sedona, Village of Oak Creek, Cornville, Cottonwood, Camp Verde, Clarkdale, Jerome, Rimrock, Lake Montezuma and other surrounding areas

Who were the beneficiaries? Children birth to age 5

2. How many Rotarians participated in the project? 25

3. What did they do? Please give at least two examples. Board members, volunteered to help with Blazin for Books fundraiser, help to enroll children and help to make community aware of program

4. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? 2,300 in 2023

5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project? Our goal is to foster a love of learning in preschool children. The impacts are to the future success of these children in school. Encouraging a love of reading in the youngest children, and encouraging parents to read to children impacts future school readiness and helps parents to recognize that they are child's first teacher. The ultimate goal is to increase reading proficiency in our schools and future success of our workforce.

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role? Rotary Clubs of Sedona, Sedona Village and Verde Valley are all collaborating clubs. We also partner with libraries, preschools, school districts and other offices where we promote the program.

**Financial Report** (Use second page, if needed. District must receive receipts of all expenditures)

7. Income Amount

1. District Grant funds received from the District	7500
2. Club funds	3750
3. Other funding (specify) Grant Funding	Click or tap here to enter text.
4. Other funding (specify) Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.
<b>Total Project Income</b>	Click or tap here to enter text.

8. Expenditures (please be specific)


1. Books and Postage Costs	11,250
2. Click or tap here to enter text.	
3. Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.
4. Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.
5. Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.
6. Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.
<b>Total Project Expenditures</b>	Click or tap here to enter text.

Income and expenditures must balance.

Please save this form (PDF only) and upload, with all project receipts (also PDF), to the Documents section of your project page at rotarygrants.org

Photos are appreciated and may be uploaded to the photo section of your grant's page on the website.

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.

Club President Signature:   
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04/30/24 Date:2/22/2024