## **HELPING BAHA**

From: Service [mailto:servicedirector@unitedservicesrotary.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 03, 2014 8:54 AM
To: Kalyan.Banerjee@rotary.org
Subject: Mr. Bahauddin Baha and Haria L.G. Rotary Hospital

Dear Mr. Banerjee,

I am writing to you as a recommendation of Bahauddin Baha, a treasured member of the United Services Rotary E-Club. Bahauddin is a talented and passionate young medical professional who is committed to healing, life-long learning, improving the world around him, and promoting an improved standard of living for all people through medicine, peace and access to education.

Bahauddin will graduate from Spinghar University's medical program in July, and possesses valuable skills that make him a prime candidate for work and continued learning as an intern undertaking a house job at the Haria L.G. Rotary Hospital. In addition, Bahuaddin is multi-lingual and speaks not only his native tongue of Pashto, but Hindi, Urdu, English and some Punjabi. Bahauddin is an innovator, one who sees challenges with fresh eyes and attempts to address them in new ways. He is truly committed to a higher standard of medical care for all.

United Services E-Rotary is a community of inspired individuals that are committed to exhibiting "Service Above Self". Our members span across countries and communities, promoting integrity, world understanding, goodwill and peace. In my role as Service Director over the past two years, I have had the pleasure of working with Bahauddin and can attest to his passion for the medical field, service to others and honest outlook. As he embodies Rotary values so completely, I am honored to recommend Bahauddin Baha for an internship at the Haria L.G. Rotary Hospital.

I have attached Bahauddin's biography. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In thanks and service,

Tess Banko Community & International Service Director President-Elect United Services E-Rotary servicedirector@unitedservicesrotary.com

On Tue, Jun 10, 2014 at 11:26 PM, Kalyan M Banerjee <<u>banerjeekm@uniphos.com</u>> wrote:

Dear Mr. Banko,

Thank you for recommending Bahauddin Baha for the Rotary Hospital.

How and why did he happen to choose this hospital for his apprenticeship? How long is it expected to be for? What remuneration or compensation does he expect?

I can ask the Trustees of the hospital to decide after I hear from you.

Warm Regards,

Kalyan Banerjee Trustee Rotary Foundation (2013-17)

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Service** <servicedirector@unitedservicesrotary.com> Date: Fri, Jun 13, 2014 at 9:01 PM Subject: Re: Mr. Bahauddin Baha and Haria L.G. Rotary Hospital To: Kalyan M Banerjee <u>banerjeekm@uniphos.com</u> Dear Mr. Banerjee,

I thank you so very kindly for your response and for considering Bahauddin. His responses to the questions you have asked are as follows:

How and why did he happen to choose this hospital for his apprenticeship?

I attended our United Services E-Rotary meeting where Mr. Banerjee and the Haria L.G. Rotary Hospital were featured. I truly want to provide exceptional health services to the needy, and when I watched Mr Banerjee and how he formed this hospital it inspired me even more. I also admire that the hospital is formed on the fundamentals of Rotary because I believe so much in them. I know that I can learn and gain experience through apprenticeship and give back to those I serve.

Also, it is my heart's desire to complete an apprenticeship in new Delhi because of the language, close distance to Afghanistan and the opportunity to help the people of India and Afghans as well. There are so many in India who need care, and also Afghans travel in large numbers to Delhi for medical treatment because of the very poor health facilities in Afghanistan.

How long is it expected to be for? What remuneration or compensation does he expect?

I would like to apprentice for at least a year if possible. I would be deeply thankful for any accommodation, and living expenses for food and any medical care I might need. I am newly married, and would appreciate it if I can bring my wife for a few months or of she might visit me. I understand if this isn't possible, but it would be very favorable. Thank you.

I hope that this message finds you well, and thank you once more for your time and consideration. Bahauddin Baha's contact email is <u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>. Please let me know if you need anything more from me or how I might continue to help.

In Service and Gratefully,

Tess Banko

International and Community Service Director President-elect United Services E-Rotary <u>http://www.unitedservicesrotary.com/</u>

From: **Service** <servicedirector@unitedservicesrotary.com> Date: Mon, Jun 23, 2014 at 10:20 AM Subject: Re: FW: Support To: Fary Moini <farymoini@gmail.com>, Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com>, Amanda Wirtz <amandawirtz@gmail.com>

Good Morning,

This is actually Bahauddin's first request for financial assistance. I have assisted with a letter of recommendation and networking help, as I would do for any member of our club. Kaylan Banerjee of the L.G. Haria Rotary Hospital did respond to my initial message (I shared the email with Bahauddin), asking for more information that he could take to his Board of Directors. I have not received any further word as of today.

The second opportunity that he is writing about is another that he had found in the UK.

This is a difficult question for me because I know how hard it can be to pursue higher education even here in the U.S. Yes, he is one person, but will he help as many as possible in a place where the assistance is desperately needed? Absolutely. He has demonstrated his drive for service at any cost as a very active member of USR, a drive that I would not call self-serving. On a personal note, he has communicated that he watches people who could have been saved die before him and that it weighs on him. I do not believe that his aspirations are simply to propel himself to the next social class as could be suggested.

So here is my question. Is there actually anything feasible that can be done? I think that by assisting with recommendations and networking we are currently doing what we can. I personally am not aware of purely financial opportunities for situations such as these. Also, as a growing club USR simply doesn't have enough funds to go around. If there are any other avenues that can be taken, feel free to throw those out as I am a big believer in service to our members as well as to the wider community.

At any rate it is good that the requests for personal financial assistance is cleared up for Bahauddin. Do you know of any resources that let members know what they can expect, or is it something that most Rotarians just figure out themselves? I can see this being an issue, and I am certain that it has been in the past.

Thanks, Tess On Mon, Jun 23, 2014 at 8:40 AM, Larry Sundram <<u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Marge,

If the United Services E club wanted to apply for a district grant to fund a scholarship for a person to go to medical college in Afghanistan, would that meet the criteria for a District Grant?

Larry

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Marge Cole** <margecole81@gmail.com> Date: Mon, Jun 23, 2014 at 9:09 AM Subject: Re: District Grad - scholarship To: Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com>

Larry,

## I think TRF has relaxed the rules on Dist. Grants--so I would say yes.

## Marge

----- Forwarded message -----From: **faryatt** <<u>farym@att.net</u>> Date: Mon, Jun 23, 2014 at 12:07 AM Subject: Support To: Bahauddin <<u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>>

Dear Baha,

I recently had an e mail from few Rotarians in San Diego that you are soliciting funding for your training or higher education. I do not think you really understand the aim and goal and rules of Rotary organization, this organization is not supporting or doing fundraising for individual for their personal issues we do it for a project.

Even though some clubs or RI foundation provide scholarship but it is not for Rotarian or even family member of Rotarian are not eligible.

Plus I have few questions:

1- Did you found any university or hospital accept you for training outside of the country?

2- Do you know what the total cost is and how many years? I have few suggestions:

A- There are few good hospitals in Kabul, I know because the son of Ishaq is studying towards his orthopedic surgery in Kabul with few American doctors. So try to find somebody and write them.

B- Start to work as soon as you graduate and after you save enough then you can follow up with your higher education.

May be some individual as friend would like to assist but please do not ask the Rotary clubs for funding, it is not a good idea, because we do not do fundraising for personal interest of one Rotarian.

I am sorry for the situation you are in and we do sympathized with you but we are not in position to help plus Steve & I are still struggling to support our programs which support more than 7000 students who are going to benefit from our projects. I wish you good luck and good wishes. Regards,

Fary Moini Moini International Consulting Member of La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club Member of American women for international understanding (AWIU) PO Box 910617 San Diego Ca. 92191 Phone # 858-610-1174

----- Forwarded message ------From: **Fary Moini** <farymoini@gmail.com> Date: Mon, Jun 23, 2014 at 12:24 AM Subject: RE: Support To: Larry Sundram larrysundram@gmail.com

Dear Larry,

You are welcome, it is a very harsh reality over there and he is not alone, I have a young girl who is graduated from our school we built and she is a great writer, writing books and selling them in the market to support herself because she is studying to be a doctor. I did some fundraising for her through my family and few friends and covered her 2 semester but that is so difficult to support them for 5 years. Trying to help her to sell her books in the market, so she can support herself. Blessing

Fary Moíní

On Wed, Jul 2, 2014 at 12:47 AM, Bahauddin <<u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Dear friends,

Hopefully I will be doing my house job with dr Bose. He well come my house job interest.

Thank you very much for your support in this.

Baha

Sent from my iPhone

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Bahauddin** <<u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>> Date: Wed, Jul 2, 2014 at 1:01 AM Subject: Re: Hi To: Larry Sundram <<u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>>

He has given this without any cost, it will be in western Bengal. I was shooting for Delhi but I think I can't find funding. He is given stipend for food and accommodation. This is only for 6 months for the rest of 6 months I am hoping if my crowd funding will get some donations and then I can do it in Delhi. You have been amazing.

I will never forget this kindness

Sent from my iPhone

On 2 July 2014 13:39, Larry Sundram <<u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Dear Ashok,

Once again, I am amazed at the power of Rotary members across the world to cooperate and improve people's lives.

Thank you for your willingness to help a stranger.

All the best,

Larry

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Ashok Kumar Agarwal** <ashok.dgn1011@gmail.com> Date: Thu, Jul 3, 2014 at 2:57 AM Subject: Re: Baha To: Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com> Cc: Satyajit Bose drsatyajit@msn.com

Dear Larry,

Dr. Bose runs a big hospital in Durgapur which is very near my home. We have been doing the Heart surgeries under the Heart to Heart programme in his hospital only. He himself is a very renowned Cardiac-thoracic surgeon. He is a good friend and philanthropy runs in his blood.

With warm regards to you

Ashok

On Sun, Jul 6, 2014 at 9:31 PM, Bahauddin <<u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>> wrote: ------ Forwarded message ------From: Bahauddin <<u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>> Date: Mon, Jul 7, 2014 at 8:57 AM Subject: Urgent To: Tess Banko <<u>internationalservice@unitedservicesrotary.com</u>>

Dear Tess,

I hope you are doing well. Please send me a letter stating that USR helped me find house job in India, because i am applying for visa and trying to go to the hospital which is found throgh Mr Larry's contact. I need this letter to present to the india consulate. best regards,

Bahauddin

On Mon, Jul 7, 2014 at 10:18 AM, Bahauddin <<u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Dear Larry,

Please write the letter to Indian consulate in Afghanistan.

I will be working in the mission hospital under supervision of different trainers.

The hospital is in Durgapur West Bangal and the person who has provided accommodation is the chairman of the hospital. His name is Dr Satyajit Bose.

The important part is that you should mention that you have roots and friends In India and also have rotary connection that's how you found this opportunity for me because

yesterday when I was in consulate they wanted a letter which states how I found this opportunity.

Dear Larry remembering friends who helped me in hard time and helped me in education will always be the important part of my life. Please know that this opportunity happened through you and in the future when I become. Successful doctor you will be the part of who I am. God bless you. This has been a sunshine in my life. God bless. Bye

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 7, 2014, at 9:11 PM, Larry Sundram <<u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Baha,

Larry

------ Forwarded message ------From: Larry Sundram <<u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>> Date: Mon, Jul 7, 2014 at 1:00 PM Subject: Re: Urgent To: Bahauddin <<u>mr.bahauddin@gmail.com</u>>

Dear Baha,

Attached are two letters, Please use which one appears better to you. The words are the same.

I have also attached instructions for getting an Indian Visa that were on the Kabul Embassy site.

Best of Luck.

Larry

From: Larry Sundram [mailto:<u>larrysundram@gmail.com]</u>
Sent: Tuesday, July 8, 2014 5:46 AM
To: Nancy Dunlap
Subject: Foundation Grants

Hi Nancy,

Thank you for having us over to your house yesterday.

Attached are two brief documents.

One shows a project where the Bonsall Club participated in the District Grant to build Camp Pendleton's Memorial wall without putting up most of the cash.

The second shows a Global Grant in india which involved a partnership of several clubs.

I would be happy to come by to explain how this works, if you would like.

All the best,

Larry

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Nancy Dunlap** <nancy@dunlapcpa.net> Date: Wed, Jul 16, 2014 at 2:15 PM Subject: RE: Foundation Grants To: Larry Sundram <u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>

Hi Larry,

I forwarded this information to Randy Carlson. Since he is our International Chairperson, I want to let him be involved with the decision.

I know that you are passionate about Rotary and provide a good example for Rotarians to follow. I also believe that you have a great influence over people because of your confidence and knowledge. I have learned a long time ago that not everyone has the same standards or work ethic or compassion or financial ability. I think all we can do in life is to provide a good example to follow and gently lead people in a positive direction. I think you can accomplish more by a gentle nudge and positive reinforcement than by being a "skunk at a garden party".

Our board is meeting next Tuesday evening. If they are interested in learning more about DDF and how our club can use it, I will be sure to contact you.

Nancy

On Tue, Jul 22, 2014 at 9:20 PM, <<u>rdcarl@aol.com</u>> wrote: Hi Larry,

Nancy Dunlap forwarded your email regarding support for Bahauddin's medical school expenses to me as I am International Director for our club this year. Bonsall Rotary is interested in allowing you to use \$1000 of our DDF funds and will also contribute \$1000 to obtain an additional DDF match.

Please let me know how best to proceed with this. If we need to meet in person, Friday works best for me.

Best,

Randy

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-----Original Message-----From: Larry Sundram <<u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>> To: rdcarl <<u>rdcarl@aol.com</u>> Cc: Nancy Dunlap <<u>nancy@dunlapcpa.net</u>> Sent: Wed, Jul 23, 2014 5:42 am Subject: Re: District Grant

Randy,

This is great news. Thank you.

We do not need to meet in person unless you want me to explain how DDF works for District and Global Grants.

For this Grant, I will do the following:

- 1. Write up the proposal
- 2. Post it on the District Web site
- 3. Apply for DDF funds on behalf of your club
- 4. When the DDF is approved, request that you send the \$2,000 (\$1,000 DDF plus \$1,000 from the club)
- 5. After the funds are received and spend, I will write the final report.
- 6. If an Interim report is necessary I will prepare an interim report as well.

I will see if i can enter myself as the primary contact and you as a carbon copy recipient. If that is not possible, I may need to reverse the roles. In which case you will get the emails and I will do the work. Is this process acceptable to you and your club?

Larry

------ Forwarded message ------From: Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Jul 23, 2014 at 5:58 AM Subject: Fwd: District Grant To: Marge Cole margecole81@gmail.com

Marge,

- May I Enter a district Grant on behalf of the Bonsall Club even if my club is not participating?
- It is a grant to aid in paying for an Afghani student studying medicine in India. Fary has met him and indian Rotarians are going to house him
- What do I need say on the web site
- What does the final report consist of because he us using the funds to pay for college.

Larry

------ Forwarded message ------From: <rdcarl@aol.com> Date: Wed, Jul 23, 2014 at 7:39 AM Subject: Re: District Grant To: larrysundram@gmail.com

Larry,

Please go ahead and proceed. Thank you for handling the paperwork. At this time, I don't see the need to meet...possibly in the future.

Randy

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----- Forwarded message ------From: **Marge Cole** <margecole81@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Jul 23, 2014 at 7:55 AM Subject: Re: District Grant To: Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com>

Larry,

You can help Bonsall apply-...but, a couple of concerns I see: -TRF will not allow funds to be sent to India--this is something in Indian law (due to corruption, etc.) -the problem(s) of getting financial documents for/from this Afghan student--we know how difficult it is to get the documents from here in our Dist.

Can you work around those concerns?

Marge

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Marge Cole** <margecole81@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Jul 23, 2014 at 3:02 PM Subject: Re: District Grant To: John Fistere <JohnFistere@gmail.com> Cc: Larry Sundram <u>larrysundram@gmail.com</u>

Larry

I read over the "Terms & Conditions" and I don't see anything preventing this grant from being applied for. The one condition the Committee (and TRF) would have is the stewardship and accountability of the \$\$\$. Would Fary be willing to oversee the expenditure of funds? I don't think TRF would go for anyone in India overseeing the funds--they turned us down previously on two grants to India because of direct transfer of funds to India. I think if you can answer those questions, there is no problem with this grant--it falls in line with the mission of TRF.

Hope this is helpful,

Marge

------ Forwarded message ------From: Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Jul 23, 2014 at 3:26 PM Subject: Fwd: District Grant To: Fary Moini <farymoini@gmail.com>, Tess Banko <teresa.banko@gmail.com>, Ericka Korb erickakorb@gmail.com

Fary,

It looks like this help for Baha is an education for all of us.

It looks like the District will support providing DDF provided a third party with familiarity is responsible for "stewardship". I interpret that to mean that Baha will use the funds to pay for his Medical schooling.

Would you be willing to assit in this effort as a disinterested 3rd party. You are not from the E club or from the Bonsall club and you have familiarity with Afghanistan and the general Asian cultural norms.

If you say "yes", we will proceed the process of wiring up the grant and having at least \$2,000 for Baha.

Next will come the issue of getting it to him and him providing us a paid invoice from the school he attends.

As you in a position to do this?

All the best,

Larry

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Fary Moini** <farymoini@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Jul 23, 2014 at 7:03 PM Subject: RE: District Grant To: Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com>, Tess Banko <teresa.banko@gmail.com>, Ericka Korb <u>erickakorb@gmail.com</u>

Dear Larry,

In this case, I will be delighted to do it. We do have an account over there and constantly sending funding over and I worked with him on a project recently, there is one condition; hopefully there is no obligation to my Rotary club foundation.

I worked with Australian & Canadian Rotarians and would be delighted to assist in any way I can . Blessing

Fary Moíní

------ Forwarded message ------From: Larry Sundram <larrysundram@gmail.com> Date: Thu, Jul 24, 2014 at 4:18 AM Subject: I need some information To: Bahauddin Baha <mr.bahauddin@gmail.com> Cc: Fary Moini <farymoini@gmail.com>, Tess Banko <internationalservice@unitedservicesrotary.com>, Ericka Korb <u>erickakorb@gmail.com</u>

Baha,

We are attempting to obtain some funds for you.

I have a few questions:

1. Visa - You advised me that you received your visa. Correct?

2. How long is the visa for?

3. Have you been accepted at a college for your internship?

4. What will the costs be? Can you send me some documentation?

5. When do you have to pay those costs?

6. Can you give me the exact name, address and person at the institution where the costs need to be paid.

We are working on trying to get you \$2,000 but please do not get your hopes up. Until we are sure.

All the best,

Larry