

District Grant Report

Rotary Club: Orange Plaza

Project Title: Exploring Service Scholarships

☒ Progress Report ☐ Final Report

1. Briefly describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place, and who were the beneficiaries?
Yearly Orange North and Orange Plaza Rotary Clubs work side by side with Police Explorers at community events in the City of Orange. Recognizing the tremendous number of volunteer hours worked by the Explorers, the Rotary clubs partnered to offer a scholarship program to members of Orange Police Explorer Post #266. In May, the six (6) Explorer scholarships winners were announced at a dinner in their honor. The scholarships totaled \$5500 and will be distributed by the Orange Police Explorer Post #266 when the students show enrollment in a post secondary school program.

2. How many Rotarians participated in the project?

- Orange North Rotary – 7 members
- Orange Plaza Rotary – 9 members

3. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.

- All members from both clubs worked with Explorers at community events in the City of Orange - Orange North Rotary at the Tree Lighting and the International Street Fair and Orange Plaza Rotary at Treats in the Streets and The Plaza Car Show.
- A committee made up of representatives from both clubs met with Orange Police Department Explorer Advisers to establish criteria for the scholarship program. An online application was developed. Members then visited an Explorer meeting to thank them for their many hours of service to the community and to announce the new scholarship program.
- Applications were reviewed and winners selected. Members then planned an awards dinner. The dinner attendees included Rotary members from Orange North and Orange Plaza, the 6 Explorer scholarship winners and their families, additional members of Explorer Post #266 and 5 representatives from the Orange Police Department that serve as advisers to the Explorers.

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

The entire 25 members of the Orange Police Department Explorer Post #266 benefited from acknowledgment that their hours of community service are recognized and appreciated. Six Explorers, however, will benefit from the \$5500 in scholarship funds that enables them to continue their education. Several winners will be the first in their families to go to college.

5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?

The collaboration between the Rotary clubs and the Police Department definitely strengthened our working relationship. The OPD representatives were so enthusiastic and supportive at the awards dinner that Orange Plaza has decided to continue the Scholarship Program within our regular budget.

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

The Orange Police Department was very supportive. Their role included; help establishing scholarship criteria, working with the Explorers to complete the applications (many had never applied for scholarships previously), participating in the review and selection of winners, and attending the awards dinner celebration. The OPD has also accepted responsibility for distribution of the scholarship funds when the students show proof of post-secondary school attendance.

Financial Report – Be sure that Income equals Expenditures!

7. Income

Amount

1. District Grant funds approved by the District	\$3000
2. Club contribution	\$1500

3. Other funding (specify)Orange North Rotary	\$1500
Total Project Income	\$6000

8. Expenditures - please be specific and add lines as needed - receipts must be attached

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2. The club needs to complete the transfer of scholarship funds to the Orange Police Department Explore Post #266 and to supply them with a list of scholarship winner names and dollar amounts.	
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Total Project Expenditures	

9. 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 of the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures have been provided to the district. 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.

Certifying Signature

_____ Date: _____

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