

**Rotary International  
Rotary District 5340**

**Rotary Foundation District Grant Final Report**

Must be filed electronically on: <http://www.matchinggrants.org/district/>

Grant Information (to be completed by District Grant contact)

1. District Grant # 1311
2. Name of District Grant Dewey School Reading Program
3. Briefly describe the grant and list any changes that might have occurred (100 words or less)

Eight club members from Naval Base San Diego rotated reading to three 1<sup>st</sup> grade classes at Dewey Elementary every Wednesday from Feb 4- May 27. Books read were those purchased with the grant money we received. All books were stamped on the inside cover to say, "This book was given to \_\_\_\_\_ by the Rotary Club of Naval Base San Diego", and each student wrote his or her name in the blank space before taking them home to share and reread with their family. We also provided each student with a pack of crayons and backpacks to put the books in as well as dry erase markers for the teachers.

4. Provide a brief (100 words or less) of lessons learned in implementing this grant and how this will improve future grant funded projects.

Learned:

- To have patience, organization and team work, as the teachers did not want to select the books, so we as a club had to come up with which books to read and ordered from Amazon. Also, our club president knew a local author who we were able to support by purchasing several of her books. She also volunteered to read her book "Ana-Tommy" to each class and not only made it a fun way to learn about anatomy but, gave each student a copy of the book as well.
- The pleasure readers have had from participation has reinforced their commitment to Rotary.

5. How has your Club or community been impacted by this grant?  
(Check all that apply)

- Involvement of Rotarians in our Club in humanitarian grants has increased.
- Our Club's international Rotary networks have been strengthened.
- Annual giving to the Rotary Foundation in our Club has increased.
- Club membership has increased.
- Our Club's awareness of the needs in our community has increased.
- Participation in a District Grant has not changed our Club in any significant way
- Others: Our club and the community have come together to focus on and do something about children's literacy, one of Rotary's Areas of Focus.

6. Given your experience, please provide any suggestions you believe would improve District Grants and the process to receive and implement them.

