Rotary International Rotary District 5630

Rotary Foundation District Grant Final Report

Deadline for submission: May 15th, 2018

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

Grant Information (to be completed by District Grant contact)

1. District Grant # (check website for #)P-1631

2. Name of District Grant Micah's House

3. Briefly describe the grant and list any changes that might have occurred (100 words or less. There are three aspects to the grant:

Leadership/Cultural Competence Training – The MH Board has completed a Gallup training to identify and better utilize the gifts and strengths of the working board.

Connections with the school social worker has led to the opportunity to do a cultural competence training for all school staff. Once that is completed, there will be opportunity for Rotary/Interact, and the wider community to participate in this training.

Blessing Boxes – The idea of Neighbors Caring for Neighbors has taken off and the four blessing boxes around town are being regularly accessed and filled. We have been using social media to note if a particular box needs filling and the community is making that happen! We have been encouraged by the variety of items that pass through the boxes! School classrooms have brought donations, the Interact Student group held a Blessing Box Donation Event, and churches across town are supporting the effort.

Marketing – The development of our logo, promotional materials, social media presence, and t-shirts for board members to wear during community serving events and at local groups when presenting about Micah's House have helped create a buzz about the mission of Micah's House and has generated a number of clients beginning to work with us on housing and life skill assistance. Link to our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/MichasHouseLex/

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

I would suggest that one of the biggest lessons is in how the timing of things is not always on our plan...I go back and read how quickly we anticipated some of these things coming together would happen and we have really had to learn to always be faithful to the mission – while rolling with the fact that the timing of things would be what it would be. And yet, often, when things took longer than hoped – there was a reason...more people came to know about things, we learned something important in the meantime, or something better than we had imagined would come to be.

Data is our friend and a great tool...but it never tells us the full human story of the situations we will encounter.

Generosity flows when people are reminded that all generosity comes from a place of gratitude. People genuinely want to be generous and help others around them

(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.
X 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:
 Given your experience, please provide any suggestions you believe would improve District Grants and the process to receive and implement them. No suggestions at this time.
5. Financial Summary Amount of District Grant funds received: \$1,000 Amount of Club funds used in grant: \$250 Amount of other funds used in grant: \$150
Total
 Receipts and Financial statements Please include all invoices and receipts in electronic format to your web page on the District Grants web page: http://www.matchinggrants.org/district/
Approvals: Summark Market 5 14 2018 Club President Date Club Contact for District Grant Date
l ·