

District Grant Final Report 2018-2019

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District Grant # P-1039

Rotary Club: Rotary Club of Morrill, NE

Project Title: Memorial Tree Project

Project Description:

1. Briefly describe the project. What was done and where did the project activities take place? Explain how the beneficiaries and other community members were involved?

In conjunction with the challenge to plant one tree for every Rotarian in 2017, the Morrill Club took on the project to plant 17 trees at the new early childhood building in Morrill, NE. The new center, with a capacity of 90 students was built on the site of the original K-12 Morrill Schools facility built in 1918 but had been gone for 25 years, the property sat vacant all those years. There were no trees on the property. The club wrote the grant, coordinated with Re-Tree Nebraska (NRD) to obtain the trees, the school district grounds employees prepared the wholes where the trees would be planted. The club members planted the trees under the guidance of one of the arborists from Re-Tree Nebraska. One of our club members cut the 4x4s to hold the plaques that identify each tree. The club purchased a concrete bench that has a Rotary Plaque inlaid into the bench.

- 2. How many Rotarians participated in this project? _7_
- 3. What did they do? Please give at least two examples. Planted trees, cut the 4x4s to hold the plaques that identify each tree, installed the bench
- 4. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? 100 staff and students at the early childhood building, 1000 residents of Morrill by a beautification project that will provide trees and their benefits for generations to come._
- 5. Who are the beneficiaries and what is the expected long-term community impact of this project?

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

Re-Tree Nebraska provided all the trees and consulted on the planting, Morrill Schools grounds crew chose and prepped the planting spots.

7. Income:

Income Source	Amount
District Grant	\$1000
Rotary Club of Morrill Project Fund	\$500
Total Project Income	\$1500

8. Expenditures: (number receipts starting with 1 and indicate a receipt # (s) for each expenditure) (Do not include travel expenses)

If international project convert amounts to	Receipt # (s)	Budgeted	Actual
US dollars		Amount	Amount
Compost & Mulch		422	422
Lawn Edging & Stakes		302.6	302.60
Engraved Plates for Tree Markers & Posts		575	428.22
Rototiller		0	0
Plaque inlaid Concrete Bench		0	550
T-posts, Straps & wire		200.40	0
Trees		0	0
Total project expenditures		1500	1702.82

9. Please explain any variance of more than 5% between the budgeted amount and the actual amount including the reason for the variance and why the alternative was chosen.

The bench was going to be supplied in the application by the Memorial Fund from Lily Martin's family (but the family after much discussion decided to locate their bench in a different place). The T-posts straps and wire was supplied by the school's grounds department, the plaques and posts were able to be obtained for less than we originally thought. The Club wanted to still install a bench at the location designed with a trio of ornamental trees. The savings in other areas allowed us to purchase the bench even though we went over budget the club was happy with the completion of the project.

10. Project score (5=strongly, 4=agree, 3= neutral, 2=disagree, 1=strongly disagree)

	Project Score	Comments
The overall project was successful	5	
The grant process worked well	5	
My interaction with partner clubs was good	NA	
We achieved the results we expected	5	

- 11. Did you upload photos in your project on matchinggrants.org under the Photos tab? (If not, please do so) YES
- 12. What worked well on this project and why?

The NRD – Re-tree Nebraska was great to work with, Panhandle Concrete products made a beautiful bench for us. The 7 Rotarians that worked with Amy from re-tree Nebraska planted the trees in just a few hours, because the school grounds department had effectively prepped the holes for planting.

13. What did not work well and how would you suggest improving it?

Everything went well

14. How was this project publicized?
Our planting pictures were in our local newspaper and there was a story on KNEB.com

Project Inventory

Please list all items provided in this grant that are over \$75 in value and are not expendable.

Item	Date of	Cost	Destination/	Comments
Purchased	Purchase		Location	
Bench	8-7-2018	\$550	Morrill	
			Preschool	
Plaques/posts	11-13-2017	\$428.22	Preschool	
Edging/stakes	10-16-2017	302.60	Preschool	

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. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures are attached. 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 to the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant the District, RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or in the future, through the District and the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or developed. This includes the right to modify the photographs as necessary in the District's and 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 the District, RI, and TRF.

Please attach all receipts or an invoice and a copy of the check used to pay the invoice. Funds over \$100 not used must be returned to the district grants treasurer.

Certifying signature of primary contact

Print name _Joe Sherwood_

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