

## THE ROTARY FRIENDS PROGRAM

To receive Wallis C. and Mildred S. Jones grant funds during the Rotary year, a Rotary Club must assist and work with an organized high school age youth group who will participate in the event. Suggested groups include: Interact, Scouts, Explorers, ASB, JROTC, religious groups etc...

The funded project must involve the youth group and members of the Rotary Club in visiting, assisting, helping or interacting with community senior citizens or handicapped citizens. Details of the project must be explained in the application.

The youth group leader or appropriate designee, and your Rotary Club's liaison are to be involved in the following stages of the project:

Development of the project.

Monitoring expenditures of the project funds.

Ensuring that the project helps and assists senior or handicapped citizens to live more satisfying and fuller lives.

Verifying that the project was performed by submitting a final report/summary to District 5330.

It is recommended that the project conclude with some type of public recognition ceremony involving Rotary, the youth group, and the recipients. If a ceremony is held, it may include:

Presentation of a commemorative plaque,

Local press release and pictures.

Innovative events may warrant forwarding a press release and pictures to District 5330 and Rotary International.

Projects must take place during the Rotary year in which they are funded. (July 2022-June 2023)

## TYPES OF PROGRAMS FUNDED

Temecula Rotary Noon Club along with Temecula Valley H.S. Interact with elderly handicapped patients at a local hospital. Program involved fixing and cleaning 48 wheel chairs and then a celebration Bar-B-Q with entertainment.

Lake Arrowhead Rotary Club along with Rim-Of-The-World H.S. Interact held a holiday celebration at a skilled nursing facility, which included carol singing, gifts, decorations and snacks.

Banning Rotary Club along with Banning H.S. Interact held Christmas festivals for the elderly at 3 different convalescent homes.

Beaumont Rotary Club along with Beaumont Community Interact Club conducted a "senior's prom".

The Rotary Clubs of Big Bear along with Big Bear H.S. Interact Club inspected, fixed, and/or installed smoke detectors for the needy in a modular retirement village.

The Rotary Clubs of Yucca Valley along with the Yucca Valley H.S. Interact Club held a holiday "seniors' dance".

Hemet Sunrise Club along with Hemet H.S. Interact held a winter festival at the Valley Christian Home.

Riverside East Club continuing senior project, providing blankets and educational information throughout District 5330.

Centennial H.S. held a Senior Citizen's Prom.

Hemet H.S. held a Winter Festival at a local nursing home.

Rim-Of-The-World H.S.: Wallis Jones Christmas Party for seniors at a nursing facility.

## ROTARY FRIENDS

*Rotarian Wallis C. Jones, a charter member of the Rotary Club of San Bernardino East (now Highland) gave a substantial amount of money to Rotary District 5330 Foundation for "Rotary Friends" program. This program requires that high school age youth participate and interact with senior citizens and/or handicapped individuals. The information regarding this program is explained in this application. Your Rotary Club must participate with the youth group to receive Wallis C. Jones "Rotary Friends" funds.*

Applications for a grant project should be submitted between ~~September 15~~ and ~~October 31~~, Projects will be reviewed for approval after the closing date. Applications may be submitted by mail, email or delivered to:

**Anne Marie Duncan**

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# “ROTARY FRIENDS GRANT”

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## 2025 – 2026 APPLICATION

ROTARY CLUB OF \_\_\_\_\_

PRESIDENT’S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRESIDENT’S EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ROTARY CLUB’S LIAISON/CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

YOUTH GROUP NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**TITLE OF PROJECT:**

**DATE OF PROJECT:**

**PROJECT MISSION?**

**SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PROJECT?**

**WHO & HOW MANY DOES IT BENEFIT?**

**WHAT ARE THE PLANS FOR A CONCLUDING CEREMONY OR PROGRAM?**

**GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED?**

**DATE GRANT MONEY IS REQUIRED?**

**PLEASE PROVIDE A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW FUNDS WILL BE USED. PLEASE ATTACH A LIST OF PROPOSED EXPENSES.**

**THE CLOSING SUMMARY REPORT IS DUE 45 DAYS AFTER COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.**

**ALL FUNDS WILL BE DELIVERED VIA DIRECT DEPOSIT.**

Please confirm that the District Treasurer has your bank account information.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING GRANT APPLICATION

*Rotary Club of:* Provide official name of Rotary Club submitting application. Please be specific (Breakfast, Noon, etc.)

*President:* President's printed name and signature.

*Rotary Club Liaison/Contact:* Rotary Club member directly responsible for the completion of the project. Please provide telephone numbers and **e-mail addresses**.

*Youth Group Name:* Provide the official name of the youth group that will work with Rotary Club members to complete the project. The club members and youth group members must be present during the project. Grant money must be used by the Rotary Club to benefit seniors or disabled persons.

*Title of Project:* Approximately one to five words. (Example: Hillside Interact Senior Day)

*Date of Project:* Provide actual date project will take place. If the project is a continuing project, provide beginning and ending dates. If the project schedule is changed by more than 60 days, please notify this committee.

*Project Mission:* This is a narrative description of what the youth group and the club will do to help the seniors or disabled. Use additional paper if necessary. This is where you sell your project.

*Project Significance:* This is a narrative description of how the action will enhance Rotary's involvement in the community and show the partnership with youth for service to seniors or the disabled.

*Who and How Many Does It Benefit:* Provide the number of Rotarians that will participate in the project, the number of youth that will participate, and the number of people the project will directly benefit.

*What are the Plans for a Concluding Ceremony or Program:* If this is part of your proposed project, briefly describe any media coverage or special coverage.

*Grant Amount Requested:* Provide the total dollar amount requested.

*Date Grant Money is Required:* Provide the approximate date that the club would like to receive funds from the District. Funds are usually distributed between November and January. If funds are not received by the club's treasurer by this date, please contact Anne Marie Duncan.

*Explanation of How Funds Will be Used:* This should be inclusive. (Example: \$100 band, \$200 food, \$50 decorations and miscellaneous) Use additional paper if necessary. This requirement is not to dictate how the money will be spent, but for committee members to understand the value of the program.

All information is required. Incomplete applications will be returned to the submitting club. The 2025-2026 grant application will be accepted between September 15 and October 31. The date of submission has no impact on the amount awarded. Funding is expected in November.

**Please be advised.** If your club received grant money from the previous year, your application and all future applications **WILL NOT** be accepted unless a closing summary report, due within 45 days after the completion of the project, was submitted for that year. Please retain a copy of the closing summary report and receipts for your records. Additionally, Rotary Friends grants **will not** be awarded to any club that is not current in its dues to either Rotary International or District 5330. Clubs must be current in both dues at the time that the grants are being considered. If your project does not use all the funds granted, please return the remainder to the District Treasurer and notify Anne Marie Duncan that funds were returned in your Closing Report.. If your project is canceled, please return the funds to the District Treasurer and submit a Closing Report indicating that the project was canceled.

Please refer any questions to Anne Marie Duncan. (909 654-6191 or [annemarie.duncan@gmail.com](mailto:annemarie.duncan@gmail.com))