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 District 9640 Rotarians

## District 9640 District Designated Funds and Grants Annual Report 2024-25

We are pleased to report on the use of District Designated Funds and the successful completion of Global and District Grants for 2024-25.

### District Designated Funds Summary

47.5% of Annual Fund contributions from 2021-22	US\$ 48,564.23
50% of Available Endowment Fund Share Earnings	\$10,559.93
Total Carried Forward	<u>\$47,795.60</u>
<b>Available DDF 2024-2025</b>	<b>\$106,919.76</b>

Grant	Project	DDF US\$
<b>Available DDF 2024-2025</b>		<b>106,919.76</b>
<b>Transfers</b>		
Transfer DDF to PolioPlus (DGSC approval 05/06/25)	<i>PolioPlus - annual commitment of 20% DDF since 2013-14. With \$0.50 -\$1.00 World Fund matching and 2:1 Gates Foundation matching, our US\$25,000 contribution is value added to <b>US\$112,500</b>.</i>	25,000.00
<b>Approved</b>		
DG2566286 (approved 10/07/24)	<i>District Block Grant 2024-25 (see table below for details of the 10 District Grants funded)</i>	28,491.00
GG2456392 (DGSC approval 20/02/24)	<i>Tongan Surgical Project to install ventilation and other upgrades to two existing operating theaters, and supply medical and surgical equipment to provide orthopaedic surgeries and training on arthroplasty to medical staff at Vaiola Hospital in Nuku'alofa, Tonga. This grant (total value \$131,396) is hosted by RC Nuku'alofa, D9920, with international sponsor RC Whanganui Nth, D9930 (one of our partner districts).</i>	5,000.00

GG2463067 (DGSC approval 03/12/24)	<i>Rural Obstetric Emergency Training in Congo DR</i> to provide obstetric emergency training to healthcare workers, and traditional birth attendants, to improve their capacity to care for mothers and children in remote villages in the Democratic Republic of Congo. This grant (total value \$72,460) is hosted by RC Goma-Nyiragong, D9150, with international sponsor RC Taree, D9660 (one of our partner districts).	5,000.00
GG2464505 (DGSC approval 24/04/24)	<i>Teacher Literacy Enhancement Project (Quezon Province) Philippines</i> to provide a teacher literacy enhancement (Read Aloud) training for grade 1 to 3 teachers in San Narciso, Philippines. This grant (total value \$59,450) is hosted by RC Makati Rockwell, D3830, with international sponsor RC Manningham City, D9815. We have previously partnered with filipino districts on global grants.	10,000.00
<b>Total DDF Funding 2024-25</b>		<b>48,491.00</b>
<b>Returned Funds DG2566286</b>	Return of \$6,318.91 for approved District grants that did not proceed.	(6,318.91)
<b>Balance DDF rolled forward to 2025-26</b>		<b>39,747.67</b>
<b>Submitted - waiting TRF Approval</b>		
GG2571906 (DGSC approval 21/11/24))	<i>Construction of Washroom Toilets (sanitation) for Families in Prey Lngeang Village, Cambodia</i> to reduce sanitation and hygiene related illness by providing hygiene behavior change, technical training, and approximately 130 washroom toilets to individual families in the village of Prey Lngeang, Siem Reap Province, Cambodia. This grant (total value \$145,600) is hosted by RC Angkor, D3350, with international sponsor RC Chadstone/East Melbourne, D9800. Our district matched the RC Ashmore contribution of US\$10,000.	10,000.00
GG2576338 (DGSC approval 05/06/25)	<i>Vision for Vavuniya- Restoring Sight Reviving Lives</i> is a US\$144,608 proposal to provide an operating microscope to the District General Hospital in Vavuniya, Sri Lanka., hosted by Colombo Mid-City, D3220, and the international sponsor is <i>E-Club of Greater Sydney, D9685</i> .	5000.00
<b>Draft</b>		
GG2573054 (DGSC approval 03/12/24)	<i>Train The Trainer in Obstetric Emergencies in Zimbabwe</i> is a US\$30,000 proposal to to provide obstetric emergency training to healthcare workers, and traditional birth attendants, to improve their capacity to care for mothers and children in remote villages in Zimbabwe. This grant is hosted by RC Harare-Central, D9210, with international sponsor RC Taree, D9660 (one of our partner districts).	5000.00
GG2579101 (DGSC approval 05/06/25)	<i>Village Sustainability with Empowerment and WASH</i> , is a \$205,800 Sustainable Cambodia project, hosted by RC Pursat, D3350, and the international sponsor <i>RC Salt Lake City, D5420</i> with support from 10 Districts and 17 clubs across NZ, Fiji and Australia. RC Summerland Sunrise has committed US\$6500.	5000.00
<b>Total Additional Potential Commitment tagged</b>		<b>25,000.00</b>

**DG2566286 District Block Grant 2024-2025**

<b>Rotary Club</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Grant US\$</b>
1. Ashmore	<i>Ashmore State School Early Reading Literacy Support</i> - Early reading literacy support through provision of decodable reader resources to Ashmore State School to enhance the variety and volume of materials available for grades 1-3.	1617
2. Burleigh Heads	<i>Education Community Resources for Timor-Leste</i> - Source and transport specific educational, health and community resources including school desks, chairs, text books and classroom supplies to Timor Leste in response to specific requests/needs identified in conjunction with local Rotarians.	3333
3. Byron Bay	<i>Expect Respect Project</i> -Support for project “Expect Respect”, an 8 week film-making initiative for Year 10 students which focuses on creating short films that address the theme of domestic violence and respectful relationships.	1775
4. E- Club of NextGen	<i>Essential Health for All Foundation, Cameroon.</i> - Assist with the purchase of a shipping container and freight costs to transport donated medical equipment and supplies to Essential Health for All Foundation, an NGO established to help Cameroon develop stronger health services and care delivery to remote rural communities in Cameroon.	3333
5. E- Club of NextGen	<i>The Street University Community Garden</i> - Support for project developed by former Griffith Gold Coast Club in collaboration with The Street University, Southport to develop a community garden at the youth centre, to provide troubled youth with a peaceful space for engagement, reflection and positive experiences, and to support mental health through gardening.	2334
6. Kingscliff	<i>Kids of Purple Website</i> - To support the professional development of a website “Kids of Purple” which was designed by a Rotaract Year 12 student for use of young people exposed to domestic violence and providing an easily accessible source to understand more about domestic violence and feel less alone.	300
7. Parkwood	<i>Help for the Homeless &amp; Families Escaping Domestic Violence &amp; Lonely Residents of Aged Care</i> - Provision of food hampers, personal hygiene products and school supplies to local disadvantaged community members including the homeless, families escaping domestic violence and those families struggling financially.	2060
8. Scenic Rim Sunrise	<i>Traction Program at Beaudesert High School</i> - Provide 12 students the opportunity to participate in a Traction Program at Beaudesert High School. This program aims to re-engage students who are in danger of failing and prematurely leaving school.	1100
9. Surfers Sunrise	<i>Support for PCYC Gold Coast</i> - Support for Police, Citizens & Youth Centre through provision by Rotarians of various gymnastics equipment and sponsorship of youth programs.	2734
10. Goonellabah	<i>School Mates Project</i> - To support club’s School Mates Project which provides financial assistance for educational costs such as school uniforms, learning materials, excursions, breakfasts and lunches which many families are struggling to meet. The need is identified by the school principal who notifies the club of what is needed.	3333
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>21,919</b>

Whilst US\$28,491 was initially approved for 15 district grants, six clubs were unable to complete their planned projects and their grants were cancelled. Fortunately, the District Grants Committee was able to fund a late grant application by Goonellabah RC from contingency funds in the District Block Grant. The final acquittal report for the District Block Grant DG1961065 was submitted on 19 June 2015, \$6319 in unspent funds was returned to The Rotary Foundation and the block grant closed on 1 July 2025.

All grant records have been maintained in terms of the District Qualification Memorandum of Understanding and have been provided to Greg Bowler, District Rotary Foundation Stewardship Sub-Committee Chair 2024-25 for checking prior to submission to the District Auditor for the annual financial audit.

We take this opportunity to thank all participating clubs for their cooperation throughout the application, implementation and reporting phases of the process. We congratulate clubs on completion of very worthwhile projects exemplifying “the Magic of Rotary”. Finally, we thank 2024-25 District Governor Lisa Hunt for her support and encouragement throughout the Rotary year.

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