

# District Grant-Final Report Form 2016-17

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Return this completed form to your District Rotary Foundation Grant Sub-Committee Chair( DSGC). Do not sent this form directly to Rotary International.

Rotary Club: Aledo

Project Number: P-1395

Project Title: This project funds parent/child interactive reading books in English and Spanish for low-income families living in Parker County, Texas.1395

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| Final Report |
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## **Project Description**

1. Briefly describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place, and who were the beneficiaries?

Parker County Center of Hope, a local nonprofit organization focused on helping families in poverty, helps strengthen family literacy through their Family Empowerment Program. This program not only provides reading books to children of all ages, but helps parents understand the importance of teaching early reading skills to their children. Funds requested will support the Center's Family Empowerment program by providing low-income families with early reading books in English and Spanish that provide a positive parent-child interaction. These books target baby and toddlers during their early years of development and serve as an introduction to family literacy activities. Educational notes positioned throughout these readers will teach parents what to expect from 1- to 3-year old children and how to engage them in read-aloud experiences.

The Aledo Rotary Chapter is very involved in improving lives in the community. In fact, we have supported other educational programs that focus on children's literacy. All members of the Aledo Chapter are invited to the Center to distribute the books.

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2. How many Rotarians participated in the project? 10

3. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.

- Presented check to Center of Hope's Education and Career Development team and listened to presentation on literacy issues with families living in poverty.
- Visit the Aledo Camp Hope site, Center of Hope's summer program for low-income children, and read the books with the children.

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4. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? 100+

5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?

- Children are exposed to more one-on-one reading time which can directly impact school performance
- Strengthen parent/child relations
- Facilitates language development
- Teach parents how to read to their child in order to develop language development

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role? N/A

**Financial Report** *(District must retain receipts of all expenditures)*

| 7. Income                                          | Amount        |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. District Grant funds received from the District | 200.00        |
| 2. Other funding (specify) Aledo Rotary Club       | 200.00        |
| 3.                                                 |               |
| <b>Total Project Income</b>                        | <b>400.00</b> |

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| 8. Expenditures (please be specific and add lines as needed) |               |
| Books purchased for Parker County Center of Hope             | 400.00        |
| <b>Total Project Expenditures</b>                            | <b>400.00</b> |

9. 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 of the information contained herein is true and accurate. 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 in the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or at any time in the future, throughout the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or later developed. This includes the right to modify the photograph(s) as necessary in 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 RI and TRF

Certifying Signature



Date: 5/18/17

Print name, Rotary title, and club

Staci Markwardt, President-Elect, Aledo Rotary Club

To be completed by the District Rotary Foundation Grant Sub-Committee Chair (DGSC):

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