



District/Governor's/Rotaract Grant Final Report Form

This report must be completed and uploaded on matchinggrants.org within 30 days after completion of the project but no later than 2 years after the date of approval of the project. For scholarships, the report is due 30 days after payment of funds.

Rotary Year 24-25

District Grant # (from matchinggrants.org) P-5178

Rotary Club:

Lander

Project Title: Solar Panels for Cell Phone Charging in War-Torn Ukraine

Project Description:

Needs: The power grid in Ukraine is essential for Ukrainian citizens as they depend on it to charge cell phones which are a critical lifeline during this time of war. Cell phones are used to let people know they need to evacuate or take shelter, where they can find food and medical support, and to check on the status of loved ones fighting to defend their country. Rotary Clubs in District 5440 and District 5450 have partnered with a former Ukrainian Peace Corp volunteer and Rotarians in Ukraine to buy, retro fit, and ship small portable solar panels to the Ukrainian Peace Corp contacts and Rotarians for distribution. A feature of the project is to also include messages of hope, peace and caring to Ukrainians on the back of the solar panels.

This project has been successfully implemented with high school youth and adults who retrofit the solar panels and prepare the designs.

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1. Is this a scholarship governor's grant report? Yes ___ No x (If yes, go directly to line 16)
 2. 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?

The project took place in Lander Wyoming and the beneficiaries were in Ukraine. The beneficiaries identified needs through the project developers who presented this project at the 2023 District Conference. Community members and Rotarians were involved in converting solar panels to cell phone chargers and in decorating the solar panels.

3. How many Rotarians participated in this project? 14

**FY 2024-2025 Rotary District Grant - Ukraine Project
Volunteer Hours (Rotarian and Non-Rotarian)**

Date Hours Name Description

10/4/24	3	Ken Schreuder	Coordinate supply order
11/4/24	3	Ken Schreuder	Unpacking and sorting
11/6/24	2	Ken Schreuder	Panel conversion & decorating
11/6/24	1	Linda Hudson	Panel conversion & decorating
11/6/24	1	Janet Seeley	Panel conversion & decorating
11/6/24	1	Walt Seeley	Panel conversion & decorating
11/8/24	2	Ken Schreuder	Panel conversion & decorating
11/8/24	1	Marit Snow Sawyer	Panel conversion & decorating
11/8/24	1	Carol Chidsey	Panel conversion & decorating
11/8/24	1	Eddie Lobatos	Panel conversion & decorating
11/8/24	1	Staci Lancaster	Panel conversion & decorating
11/8/24	1	Gracie Lancaster	Panel conversion & decorating
11/8/24	1	Jim Kniola	Panel conversion & decorating
11/9/24	2	Ken Schreuder	Panel conversion & decorating
11/9/24	1	Perry Cook	Panel conversion & decorating
11/9/24	1	Mike Jones	Panel conversion & decorating
11/9/24	1	Linda Hudson	Panel conversion & decorating
11/9/24	1	Eddie Lobatos	Panel conversion & decorating
11/10/24	3	Ken Schreuder	Panel testing and repair
11/12/24	2.5	Maria Kidner	Panel decorating
11/13/24	2	Ken Schreuder	Project planning & coordination
11/14/24	4	Pathfinder High School Students	Panel decorating
11/15/24	1.5	Ken Schreuder	Panel packaging
11/15/24	1	John Burrows	Panel packaging
11/15/24	1	Monika Leininger	Panel packaging
11/15/24	1	Marit Snow Sawyer	Panel packaging
11/16/24	2	Ken Schreuder	Panel packaging
11/16/24	1	Helen Higby	Panel packaging
11/16/24	1	Lisa Dawson	Panel packaging
11/16/24	3	Ken Schreuder	Shipping
11/17/24	6	Alice Brew & friends	Panel decorating
11/18/24	4	Ken Schreuder	Panel packaging & shipping
11/19/24	1	Ken Schreuder	Panel packaging & shipping
11/19/24	1	Ken Schreuder	Project reporting
5/15 and 16/25	5	Cassy Venters	Reporting
			12 Subtotal Non-Rotarian Hours
			53 Subtotal Rotarian Hours
			65 Total Project Hours

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

See #3 above – solar panel conversion, decorating, packaging, shipping and testing and repair of panels

5. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? 14

See #3 above

6. Who are the beneficiaries and what is the expected long-term community impact of this project?

Approximately 160 non-Rotarians in Ukraine, but potentially more as the solar panels can be easily transferred and used by multiple families. The ultimate number of beneficiaries is unknown and could easily be 3-4 times this number.

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

Pathfinder High School (an alternative high school) students assisted in decorating the solar panels with messages of peace and friendship.

8. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Lander Rotary	\$2,005.00
District 5440	\$3,001.00
Total Project Income	\$5,006.00

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

Budget Submitted to District - P-5178 Ukraine Solar Panels District Grant				
Unit Cost Estimates Budget	Unit Cost x 40	Actual	Receipt #	
5.50%				Sales Tax
\$50.63	\$2,025.20	\$1,222.67	21, 28, 29, 46, 49, 10, 13	50-Watt Solar panel - Amazon \$47.99 Renogy 50 Watt 12-volt, monocrystalline solar panel (-337% list price)
\$13.70	\$548.00	\$411.03	20, 30, 46, 49, 50, 9, 10	Power converter - Amazon: \$12.99 DC converter with battery clip 12V 24V to 5V 8A USB power adapter buck regulator charter, 4 ports
\$1.14	\$45.60	\$95.93	22, 31, 23, 24, 11, 12	Miscellaneous supplies: All Amazon. \$12.24, Gorilla Tough & Clear mounting tape, 150-in x 1-in, 2 pieces x 2-in (4-in) per power converter; \$19.99, Lever connector nuts, 2 conductor, 28-12 AWG, 100 pieces, 2 per panel, \$8.97, Sharpier permanent markers, assorted colors, 12 count, 1 package per 25 panels
\$3.32	\$132.80	\$390.32	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 40	Shipping materials. All Amazon. \$25.99 Duck Brand Small Bubble Wrap, 12-inx 175-ft, 10-ft. per panel; \$19.99 Keebor tape & dispenser, 12 rolls, 2-in x 32.8-yd, 1 roll per panel
\$53.30	\$2,132.00	\$2,839.40	6, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48	Meest/UPS drop-off, \$106.59, 2 panels per parcel from Lander, WY
\$122.10	\$4,884.00	\$4,959.35		Subtotal (each)
2.50%				price buffer
\$125.15	\$5,006.00			Subtotal with price buffer
\$5,006				Total Project - 40 panels x individual cost of \$125.15

10. 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.

N/A

11. 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	4	Matching receipts to the budget takes time, but we are learning.
My interaction with partner clubs was good	5	
We achieved the results we expected	5	We are presently conducting a fundraiser so we can continue this project.

12. Did you upload photos in your project on matchinggrants.org under the Photos tab? (If not, please do so)

Yes

13. What worked well on this project and why?

- Strong project leadership
- Roles for club and community members as well as youth and for people of various skill levels
- Time structure of the project allowed for involving people and various times
- People felt the need was important
- Availability of supplies at reasonable cost, note that costs fluctuated through the process.
- Portability of materials, so they could be taken to various locations enabling people other than club members to participate
- It can be promoted to organizations in the community who could join in funding.

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

- We knew ahead of time (because of previous experience) that the panel shipping process could be cumbersome. This was primarily handled by one person so that it could meet specifications. This process has a learning curve.

15. How was this project publicized?

- Facebook – Lander Rotary
- County 10 – Radio/Online News, Freemont County

16. Scholarship Governor's grant only

a. Name of scholarship awardee _____

b. Current school _____

c. University of college they will be attending _____

d. Course of study _____

e. Starting date _____

Project Inventory

Please list all items provided in this grant that are over \$500 in value and are not expendable.

Item Purchased	Date of Purchase	Cost	Initial Destination/ Location	Comments

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:

_____ *Cassy Dierking Venters* _____ Date: 5/17/25

Print name _____ Cassy Dierking Venters _____

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