



Future Vision Plan

Pilot District Partnerships with Nonpilot Districts (Effective 2010-11)

The Future Vision Plan of The Rotary Foundation has introduced a new grant-making model that will change the way Rotarians participate in international humanitarian projects, scholarships, and vocational training teams. Throughout the three-year pilot (Rotary years 2010-13), pilot districts have agreed to participate in Rotary Foundation Global Grants and District Grants to ensure thorough testing of this new model. Pilot districts will not initiate activities using the traditional Foundation programs (Matching Grants, Ambassadorial Scholarships, and Group Study Exchange). Activities sponsored by pilot clubs and districts will be supported by the Foundation through district grants and global grants.

However, joint interaction between pilot and nonpilot districts will still be possible. The following charts illustrate which grants and programs districts can use to continue partnering during the pilot as the Foundation makes the transition from the current programs to the new grant-making model. In general, if partnership is required (as it is in global grants), pilot clubs and districts may only work with other pilot clubs and districts. If there is no requirement for partnership (as in district grants), pilot districts and their clubs may partner with nonpilot districts.

Because global grants may take place only between two pilot districts, it is not possible for nonpilot districts to contribute DDF or cash as part of the Foundation grant financing. Maintaining a limited scope of funding is essential to the evaluation of the new model. In addition, the new online application system is only available to pilot clubs and districts. Therefore, partnership between pilot and nonpilot districts must be funded according to either district grant requirements or traditional program requirements, as outlined below.

Nonpilot districts that wish to support global grant projects implemented by pilot districts may donate DDF directly to the pilot districts for them to use at their discretion in the financing of their global grant projects. District-to-district DDF donations are coordinated by Steve Lyons, *SHARE* system senior coordinator. Please contact him at steve.lyons@rotary.org for more information about district-to-district DDF donations.

For more information, visit www.rotary.org/en/fvdistrict or e-mail futurevision@rotary.org.

Vocational Training Teams/ Group Study Exchange Teams

Pilot Districts Can...	Nonpilot Districts Can...
Send a vocational training team to another pilot district using a district grant or global grant	Send a GSE team to a pilot district using a GSE award
Send a vocational training team to a nonpilot district using a district grant	Send a GSE team to another nonpilot district using a GSE award
Receive a vocational training team from another pilot district funded by a district grant or global grant	Receive a vocational training team from a pilot district funded by a district grant
Receive a GSE team from a nonpilot district	Receive a GSE team from another nonpilot district

Scholarships/Ambassadorial Scholarships

Pilot Districts Can...	Nonpilot Districts Can...
Send a scholar to another pilot district using a district grant or global grant	Send a scholar to a pilot district using an Ambassadorial Scholarship
Send a scholar to a nonpilot district using a district grant	Send a scholar to another nonpilot district using an Ambassadorial Scholarship
Receive a scholar from another pilot district funded by a district grant or global grant	Receive a scholar from a pilot district funded by a district grant
Receive a scholar from a nonpilot district funded by an Ambassadorial Scholarship	Receive a scholar from another nonpilot district funded by an Ambassadorial Scholarship

Humanitarian Projects/ Matching and District Simplified Grants

Pilot Districts Can...	Nonpilot Districts Can...
Fund a humanitarian project carried out in another pilot district using a district grant or global grant	Fund a humanitarian project carried out in a pilot district using a District Simplified Grant
Fund a humanitarian project carried out in a nonpilot district using a district grant	Fund a humanitarian project carried out in another nonpilot district using a Matching Grant or District Simplified Grant
Have a humanitarian project carried out within the district that is funded by a district grant or global grant of another pilot district	Have a humanitarian project carried out within the district that is funded by a pilot district's district grant
Have a humanitarian project carried out within the district that is funded by a nonpilot district's District Simplified Grant	Have a humanitarian project carried out within the district that is funded by a Matching Grant or District Simplified Grant sponsored by another nonpilot district

Note: Both pilot and nonpilot districts will be eligible to participate in the PolioPlus and Rotary Centers for International Studies programs.

Pilot and Nonpilot District Contribution FAQs

Q: Why can't pilot and nonpilot clubs/districts serve as partners on global grants and Matching Grants?

A: The decision to restrict global grant participation to pilot districts was based on a number of factors: First, grant activities between pilot and nonpilot districts are being kept separate in order to obtain controlled and accurate data with which to evaluate the success of the pilot. Second, it is important that the primary partners of global grants are using the same grant making process in which they have received training and both have completed qualification. Finally, the new online Future Vision site in Member Access was designed for access only by pilot clubs and districts in order to test the system prior to full roll out in 2013-14.

Q: How are global grant contributions matched by The Rotary Foundation (TRF)?

A: TRF matches cash contributions from pilot clubs/districts at 50%. DDF contributions from pilot districts are matched at 100%.

Q: Can nonpilot districts make DDF contributions to Rotary Foundation Global Grants?

A: Nonpilot districts cannot make matched DDF contributions to global grants. However, nonpilot districts can donate a portion of their DDF to a pilot district. The donated funds become part of the recipient pilot district's total available DDF to be used at their discretion. The donation is not earmarked for use on a particular project, and the Foundation does not monitor any agreements districts may have for the use of the funds. As with all DDF, the donation is eligible for a match from TRF for an eligible global grant project.

Q: How do districts donate DDF?

A: The district governor and district Rotary Foundation committee (DRFC) chair complete a simple district-to-district DDF donation form and submit it to TRF. The donating district's DDF is debited from their account and credited to the recipient district's DDF account. To obtain this customized form, the district governor or DRFC chair should contact Steve Lyons (Steve.Lyons@rotary.org).

Q: Can nonpilot clubs/districts make cash contributions to global grants?

A: Cash contributions from nonpilot clubs/districts will not be accepted or matched by TRF. Nonpilot clubs/districts wishing to donate cash to a global grant may send these funds directly to the grant sponsors to provide goods and services outside of the grant budget.

No TRF match or Paul Harris Fellow credit is provided.

Q: Can pilot clubs/districts make contributions to Matching Grants?

A: Pilot clubs/districts cannot make matched cash or DDF contributions to Matching Grants. However, pilot districts can donate a portion of their DDF to nonpilot districts for use at their discretion in the financing of a Matching Grant using the same process identified above.

Q: Can districts transfer DDF to a pilot district to support Rotary Foundation District Grant projects and activities?

A: District grants are funded solely by DDF generated from a pilot district's Annual Programs Fund giving from three years prior, including Permanent Fund SHARE earnings. Donations of DDF from other districts will not increase a pilot district's available district grant funds.

Q: How can pilot and nonpilot clubs/districts partner during the Future Vision pilot?

A: In addition to making district donations of DDF, pilot and nonpilot districts may collaborate on projects funded through district grants and District Simplified Grants. Clubs and districts can also use the ProjectLINK database to identify projects for direct cash contributions.