



Rotarian Foundation  
of Livermore

## Rotarian Foundation of Livermore Community Grant Information

### Overview

Annually, the Rotarian Foundation of Livermore (RFL) invites community organizations to apply for grants that support deserving projects that benefit our community. Thanks to the recent and generous bequest of Dr. Martin Plone, the Foundation is able to award more grants in 2023 than in the past. Community Grants may be awarded for up to \$50,000, depending on the project. In 2023, we plan to award approximately 15 grants at the \$5,000 level, with the number of all grants awarded as well as the amounts of the individual awards to be determined based on the applications received.

RFL grants and the projects they support align with the vision and mission of the Foundation.

Vision: The quality of life of Livermore Valley residents is sustainably improved by the philanthropy of the Rotarian Foundation of Livermore.

Mission: The Rotarian Foundation of Livermore awards grants to Livermore Valley charitable organizations, underwrites Rotary projects, and provides financial support that benefit the diverse residents of the Livermore Valley.

Applications must be sponsored by a member of the Rotary Club of Livermore or the Rotary Club of Livermore Valley. This process will provide the applicant with guidance and ensure that the project aligns with the mission of the Rotarian Foundation of Livermore. Please email [rotarianfoundationlivermore@gmail.com](mailto:rotarianfoundationlivermore@gmail.com) if you need help identifying a sponsor.

### Grant Award Project

The application provides an opportunity to demonstrate that the project to be funded shows a commitment to improve the quality of life of Livermore Valley residents. In the project description, applicants should include responses to the following prompts:

- What important specific need is identified and how will the grant meet this need?
- How will the grant provide for an enduring and extensive community benefit?

- How does the project and its beneficiaries show inclusivity and respect the diversity of our community?
- To what extent does the proposed project benefit the youth of Livermore Valley?

Note: It is important that grant awards be used for charitable purposes so that the tax-exempt status of the Foundation is not jeopardized.

### **Application Evaluation Process**

The Rotarian Foundation of Livermore Community Grant Application Review Committee will evaluate each application and provide its award recommendations to the RFL Board of Directors for final approval. An interview of finalists may be used to determine which beneficiaries will be selected. All applicants will be notified of the award determinations.

- Submission deadline: January 20, 2023
- Interviews of finalists (as needed): February 2023
- Awards announced: April 2023
- Awards presented: April 2023
- Grant checks disbursed: April 2023

### **Beneficiary Responsibilities**

- Beneficiaries are asked to represent their organization by attending the Awards Presentation Rotary Club meeting, at which they will be able to speak briefly about their project.
- Beneficiaries will be expected to support fundraising activities of the Foundation. This support may include attendance at events, providing volunteers at events, promoting events, and donating items such as auction items or in-kind support of events.
- The Foundation requires a *Grant Anniversary Report* from the responsible person that is to be received at the 12-month anniversary of the grant receipt. This report should describe the disbursement of the grant funds and the accomplishments of the funded project. In addition, for organizations awarded grants over \$5,000, the Foundation asks that the organization present the report to the Board in person during a meeting/event at a date to be determined by the Foundation Board.
- The Foundation expects that the grant will be used for the application's stated purpose and within 12 months from the grant award; if not, the Foundation reserves the right to demand return of the awarded funds.

The application and supplemental information are available on the RFL website:  
[rotarianfoundationlivermore.org](http://rotarianfoundationlivermore.org).

Please contact RFL Grant Chairs with any questions by sending an email to  
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