



## Rebuilding Puerto Rico through performing arts

Recognizing that Hurricane Maria damaged more than buildings and infrastructure in Puerto Rico, USA, the Rotary Clubs of San Juan, Puerto Rico, and Puebla Centro Histórico, Puebla, Mexico, used global grant funding to rebuild the spirits of young people through theater. [Read more](#) about this project and others that are bringing much-needed relief to Puerto Rico.

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## GIVING UPDATES

### Doing Good in the World

Your year-end gift to Rotary's Annual Fund supports projects that create lasting change in your community and around the world. [Donate](#) to The Rotary Foundation today to help Rotarians continue Doing Good in the World.

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## GRANT UPDATES

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### Disaster response grants

On 1 April, The Rotary Foundation introduced a new type of grant: **Rotary disaster response grants**. These grants, funded by contributions to the Rotary Disaster Response Fund, support relief and recovery efforts in areas affected by disaster. Qualified districts in the affected area or country may apply for a maximum grant of \$25,000, pending availability of funds. They may apply for additional grants after they report on any previous disaster response grants. To apply, the district governor and district Rotary Foundation chair complete the **Rotary Disaster Response Grant Application** and send it to [grants@rotary.org](mailto:grants@rotary.org).



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### IHE Delft scholarships

The Rotary Foundation no longer offers a packaged grant for scholarships for water and sanitation professionals at IHE Delft Institute for Water Education, but Dutch Rotarians are still sending students to study there through global grants. Clubs and districts that are interested in partnering with them to support scholars at IHE Delft may apply for global grant scholarships. For more information, write to [ihe2019rotary@gmail.com](mailto:ihe2019rotary@gmail.com).

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### Global grant changes

The Trustees of The Rotary Foundation agreed in January to increase the maximum **global grant** award by doubling the maximum amount of World Fund money available for a global grant to \$400,000. The Trustees also raised the threshold at which they review a global grant application. They will now review an application if the grant would use more than \$200,000 in World Fund money. These changes will take effect 1 July.



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### Changes to grant terms and conditions

The Foundation periodically updates its [grant terms and conditions](#) to clarify them and to make them reflect policy changes. Below are some highlights from latest round of revisions. Remember that some of the facts noted aren't changes, just clarifications.

- The cost of completing a hydrogeological survey may be included in the grant budget (see section II).
- Microcredit funds must be tracked separately in the MFI's accounting system (see section X).
- There are new special considerations for grants paid to the Philippines (see section XII).
- We have an updated Conflict of Interest Policy for Program Recipients (see section XIII).

## RESOURCES & REFERENCE

### Grant management training materials

Coming soon: grant management resources in Rotary's [Learning Center](#). Find courses on making your project sustainable, conducting community assessments, planning effective projects, managing grant finances, qualifying your club for Rotary grants, reporting on grants, and much more. Courses will be available in all of the most common Rotary languages, including Swedish and Chinese. The English courses will be available in early July, and the other versions will be ready by August.

Your district could choose to offer the online courses as a way to get qualified, or you can choose a mixed approach, having attendees take the online courses first and then attend a shorter in-person training to discuss district requirements, questions, etc.

We recently started a pilot to give district governors-elect and district trainers access to the Learning Center's reports for the members in their districts. District leaders can use these reports to track training in their districts and help them manage the qualification process. Watch the [Training Talk](#) newsletter for details on when these reports will become available to all districts in 2019-20. Send any questions to [learn@rotary.org](mailto:learn@rotary.org).

### General resources

- [The Rotary Foundation Reference Guide](#)
- [Grant Management Seminar Leader's Guide](#)
- [A Guide to Global Grants](#)



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