

### District Grant Report

Rotary Club: Rotary Club of Long Beach

Project Title: Feeding the Future – Grab 'N Go

☐ Progress Report ☒ Final Report

- Briefly describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place, and who were the beneficiaries?  
This is our club's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Feeding the Future project. The first phase consists of filling 1500 reusable string backpacks with food and hygiene items for at-risk students at our local colleges, which took place on October 16, 2024 during a lunch meeting. Additional items were purchased and delivered to the schools that placement on the pantry shelves: Viking Vault at Long Beach City College (LBCC) and Lauren Chambers '83 Beach Pantry - California State University Long Beach (CSULB).  
The second phase was held during the month of April, 2025 to raise funds to purchase food gift cards and receive in-kind donations of gift cards.
- How many Rotarians participated in the project? 85 Rotarians, 3 prospective Rotarians, 1 city official and the Basic Needs Coordinator from each school participated.
- What did they do? Please give at least two examples  
Rotarians negotiated purchase price of items, requested donations, shopped, and filled the bags.
- How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? The Viking Vault food pantry at LBCC averaged 7,538 student visits between Aug.-Dec. 2024. At CSULB, the Beach Pantry alone serves over 1,000 students weekly. Both schools expressed appreciation for the bags, which were instrumental in their efforts to reach students at remote locations, such as the library and on a satellite campus.
- What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?  
Studies show a student is better able to study and has a better chance of academic success when not hungry and not having to worry where their next meal comes from. Testimonials to our club from past and current students, teachers and school staff have backed this up.
- If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?

### Financial Report – Be sure that Income equals Expenditures!

7. Income	Amount
1. District Grant funds approved by the District	\$5,971
2. Club contribution	\$25,000
3. Other funding (specify) Donations from community through Long Beach Gives and Rotarians	\$3,030
<b>Total Project Income</b>	<b>\$34,001</b>

8. Expenditures - please be specific and add lines as needed - receipts must be attached	
1. String Bags – 1,500 with club name and Rotary logo	\$3,936.31
2. Bookmarks - 5,000 laminated "Believe in Yourself! We do!" with info on Rotary scholarships (3 yrs)	\$392.71
3. Logistics – Boxes, storage, truck rental	\$1,080.02
4. Hygiene Items	\$9,238.80
5. Food Items	\$13,953.49
6. Food Gift Cards	\$5,400.00
<b>Total Project Expenditures</b>	<b>\$34,001</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. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures have been provided to the district. 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

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Certifying Signature

Leslie Wiberg Date: 5-9-2025

Print name, Rotary title, and club

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