

2024-25 DISTRICT GRANT PROJECT FINAL REPORT

Grant # P-	5471	Progress Report <input type="radio"/>	Final Report <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Date	5/10/2025
Project Title:	Learn to lead project				
Club Name:	E-Club of Heritage New York				

Project Description:

1. Describe the project. What was done, when, and where did project activities take place? If this is a progress report, what remains to be done?

The Learn to Lead project was a literacy and leadership initiative implemented in Jamaica, Queens, NY, aimed at empowering children aged 5 to 12 from underprivileged and immigrant communities, particularly those facing challenges in reading, writing, and creative thinking. The program began on September 8, 2024, and ran through April 27, 2025, culminating in an award ceremony. Over the course of the project, seven cohorts participated in structured learning sessions that included reading and writing assignments, essay creation, business plan development, and creative art activities. Notably, an art session held in celebration of International Mother Language Day allowed children to express cultural pride and creativity, with artwork later displayed publicly during a rally organized by Shilpangan on February 16, 2025. To support learning, the project provided educational materials and iPads funded by the Heritage New York Rotary Club. Fundraising efforts exceeded initial goals, allowing the team to purchase and distribute ten iPads instead of six. All planned activities have been completed successfully, and no additional actions remain. The project has officially concluded with the award ceremony held on April 27, 2025, where participating students received their iPads as recognition for their accomplishments.

2. How many people benefited from this project? 10

3. Who were the beneficiaries, how were they impacted by this project, and what

The beneficiaries of the Learn to Lead project were children aged 5 to 12 from underprivileged and immigrant families in Jamaica, Queens, NY—many of whom were from Bangladeshi backgrounds and faced challenges in English literacy due to language barriers and limited educational support. These children often lacked access to adequate academic resources and opportunities available in more affluent areas. Through the project, participants received structured support in reading, writing, creative thinking, and leadership development. They engaged in educational activities such as essay writing, business plan creation, and art-based learning, which helped boost their literacy, confidence, and self-expression. Cultural activities, including an art session tied to International Mother Language Day, provided space for the children to connect with their heritage and build pride in their identity. The humanitarian need addressed was educational inequality. The project helped bridge the gap by providing tools and resources—such as iPads and creative materials—that the children would not otherwise have access to. These resources supported their continued learning beyond the classroom and encouraged long-term academic growth. By equipping students with these skills and tools, the project empowered them to envision a more hopeful and successful future.

humanitarian need was met?

4. How many Rotarians participated in the project?

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5. What did they do? Please give at least two examples, not including financial support

Victory Day Celebration of Bangladesh on Traditional Bamboo tray Event

Date: October 20, 2024

Children participated in art projects celebrating Victory Day Focused on creative expressions linked to the theme of freedom.

Telling Stories with creative Art Event

Date: Sept 8TH, 2024

provided to the project.

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?

n/a

Financial Report

(Your Club & District must retain receipts of all expenditures for at least five years)

Income (7) & Expenditures (8) must be equal

7. Income

Sources of Income	Currency	Amount
Club Contribution	US\$	\$1,058.20
District Grant		
	US\$	\$1,058.20
Total Project Income		2116.41

8. Expenditures (please be specific and add separate page as needed)

Budget Items	Name of Supplier	Currency	Amount
Papers, Pencils			
CRAFT KITS CRAFT KITS			
PIZZA PIZZA			
Amazon Amazon			
FRIED CHICKEN			
		US\$	
Total Project Expenditures			2116.41

Certifying Signature:

By signing this report, I confirm that to the best of my knowledge these District Grant funds were spent only for eligible items indicated in the Project Application and in accordance with Rotary Foundation approved guidelines, and that all of the information contained herein is true and accurate. 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 sole discretion. This also includes, without limitation, use on or in the web sites, magazines, brochures, pamphlets, exhibitions and any other promotional materials of RI and TRF.



Final Report Documents:

- ☒ This report with signature and date.
- ☒ All proofs of payment and invoices uploaded to website

One or more of the following:

- ☐ Checks – copies of the front and back
- ☐ Credit Card statements
- ☐ PayPal receipts
- ☐ Bank statement showing check having cleared

- ☒ We have uploaded photographs of the project to the project website
- ☒ We have entered at least 15 goals for our Club on Rotary Club Central
- ☒ Our Club is Grant-Certified
- ☒ Our Club has paid July 2023 and January 2024 RI and District Dues
- ☒ We have entered our Club Officers in the Club Executives Section of our Club on the District website.
- ☒ Our Club is current on all due Global Grant and District Grant reports
- ☒ We have entered our Project on Rotary Showcase.
- ☒ All our promotional and publicity materials for the project are in compliance with Rotary Brand guideleines.

Certifying Signature  Date: _____
Print Name: Nadia Saeedi Rotary Title: Member
Club President Signature:  Date: 5/24/25
Print Name: Shamim Begum

Verifiable Electronic Signatures are acceptable.

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