

District/Governor's/Rotaract Grant Final Report 2024-2025

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District Grant # (from matchinggrants.org) P-5145

Rotary Club: Rotary Club of Estes Park

Project Title: Summer Camp - Pogradec, Albania

Project Description: Summer camp for 50 – 60 disadvantaged children, including Roma and Balkan-Egyptian communities in Pogradec, Albania

- Is this a scholarship governor's grant report? Yes ___ No _X_ (If yes, go directly to line 16)
- 2. Briefly describe the project. What was done and where did the project activities take place? Explain how the beneficiaries and other community members were involved?

The Amaro Tan school summer camp is intended to provide an unforgettable experience for children with socio-economic challenges, including those from the Roma, Balkan-Egyptian and other marginalized communities. With the participation of over 50 children, this camp created a safe and supportive environment for children facing various problems such as street exploitation, family problems, divorce and violence.

For three weeks, from Monday to Friday, children had the opportunity to forget about their problems and spend quality time under the care of teachers and in the company of classmates. The camp started at 09:00 and ended at 13:30, offering bus transport to and from the city stations. The children ate breakfast in the camp and lunch in the school cafeteria.

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The Amaro Tan school summer camp was a great opportunity for the children of the communities the school supports, taking them away from difficult family and road situations, and offering them a pleasant time together. This camp not only helped children forget their daily problems, but also served to motivate them for the future. They learned that, despite their current challenges, the future can be full of opportunity and hope.

3. How many Rotarians participated in this project?

Two members of Rotary Club of Estes Park. Pogradec Rotary Club is always welcome but were not able to visit this year.

4. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.

Provided long-distance grant administration and reporting support.

5. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project?

55 children participated.

6. Who are the beneficiaries and what is the expected long-term community impact of this project?

The beneficiaries are at-risk Roma, Balkan-Egyptian, and Albanian children in Kindergarten-9th grade who attend the Amaro Tan school in Pogradec, Albania. Roma and Egyptian minority groups, which make up about 3% of the total population, disproportionately live in extreme poverty, and have approximately a 50% rate of adult illiteracy. (By contrast, among Albanians, the literacy rate is 98%.) Camp helps to reduce rates of attrition for children from these at-risk communities. The children have a place they can go where they will be safe and supervised, and where they know they will get enough to eat. They maintain their connections with their teachers, which helps motivate them to come back to school in the fall.

7. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was their role?

Nonprofit organization Nehemiah Gateway runs the Amaro Tan School and administers the summer camp.

8. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Rotary Club of Estes Park	\$1,860
District 5440 (DDF)	\$2,340
Total Grant Project Income	\$4,200

9. Expenditures: (number receipts starting with 1 and indicate a receipt # (s) for each

expenditure) (Do not include travel expenses)

If international project convert amounts to US dollars	Receipt # (s)	Budgeted Amount	Actual Amount
Food		\$1,600	\$ 2,510
Materials for Activities		\$280	\$ 95
Transportation			\$ 475
Facilities			\$ 2,120
Staff (11 teachers and 1 social worker)		\$2,320	\$ 8,427
Total project expenditures		\$4,200	\$ 13,627

10. Please explain any variance of more than 5% between the budgeted amount and the actual amount including the reason for the variance and why the alternative was chosen.

The impact of inflation on prices in Albania and the fluctuating USD monetary value which seems to be dropping a lot lately, as a result, the cost of food has increased from what was actually planned. On the other hand, we have tried to save some money by reusing some old materials and reduce the purchase of new ones.

Note that receipts are provided in Albanian lek. The exchange rate of USD to Albanian Lek has dropped from 100, 95 to 89.6 today (that means 1 USD is worth 89.5 ALL)

Meals were supplied by Nehemiah Gateway's cafeteria, and staff were paid by Nehemiah Gateway.

11. Project score (5=strongly, 4=agree, 3= neutral, 2=disagree, 1=strongly disagree)

	Project Score	Comments
The overall project was successful	5	
The grant process worked well	5	
My interaction with partner clubs was good	5	
We achieved the results we expected	5	

12. Did you upload photos in your project on matchinggrants.org under the Photos tab? (If not, please do so)

Yes - in the documents section (jpg files not available)

13. What worked well on this project and why?

Overall, the camp worked well according to our plan. It is a well-established annual program. The children look forward to it and participate happily.

- 14. What did not work well and how would you suggest improving it? N/A
- 15. How was this project publicized?

While the camp was in session, Nehemiah Gateway posted about the camp both on its website and Facebook pages. The Rotary Club of Estes Park reported on the project via the club newsletter, emails to club members, and announcements at club meetings.

Project Inventory

Please list all items provided in this grant that are over \$500 in value and are not expendable.

Item Purchased	Date of Purchase	Cost	Initial Destination/ Location	Comments
N/A				

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 the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures are attached. 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 to the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant the District, RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or in the future, through the District and the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or developed. This includes the right to modify the photographs as necessary in the District's and 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 the District, RI, and TRF.

Please attach all receipts or an invoice and a copy of the check used to pay the invoice. Funds over \$100 not used must be returned to the district grants treasurer.

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Transportation for summer camp



Receipt for supplies for camp from local store.



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Rotary Club of Estes Park P.O. Box 1365 Estes Park, CO 80517

8/7/2024

PAYTO THE ORDER OF Nehemiah Gateway USA

**4,200.00

Four Thousand Two Hundred and 00/100****

DOLLARS

Nehemiah Gateway USA 1630 30th St, Suite A #345 Boulder, CO 80301-1045

Service Above Self

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2024 Summer Camp in Albania



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Rotary Club of Estes Park

Nehemiah Gateway USA Expense 8/7/2024

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