District Grant Application

Rotary Club of: Newport-Balboa	Date: June 15, 2024
Project Name/Title: Backpacks	
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1. Please provide a brief description of the project, and indicate the project beneficiaries (who is being served?):

This is a community service project for school children from low-income families in our community. These new backpacks loaded with school supplies will alleviate some of the peer pressure experienced by these students. Too many students in our community are falling behind in school and life before they even get started. This will help them with their self-esteem, creativity, and confidence.

2. Indicate the project start and end dates: (The project may not begin prior to the district receiving approval from TRF. Reimbursements for earlier expenses are not eligible. Projects must have an end date no later than the end of the Rotary year.)

Project start date:	upon approval
Project end date:	October 2024

3. **Project location (select one):** X Community Mexico (If the project is in Mexico, will there be a Rotary club from Mexico involved in the project? If so, indicate the name of the Rotary club and explain the members' involvement.)

Costa Mesa, California, USA

4. List the project funding amounts (Club contribution <u>must be equal to or greater</u> than the amount requested from the district):

Club contribution:	\$	2,000
District DDF (amount requested from district):	\$	2,000
Other participating clubs - list club name(s) and contribution amount(s) below:		
	\$	
	\$	
Grant Project - Total		4,000





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5. Indicate whether there is other involvement and financial support (If non-Rotary organizations will be involved in your club project, please describe the involvement and any financial support you are receiving for the project – for example, in-kind contributions, discounts, cash donations):

None

6. Describe the participation of club members (Your club members must be actively involved in this project. Please indicate how many members of your club will participate in this project and describe their activities):

15-20 members of our club will be involved in project planning, purchasing supplies, filling backpacks, and distribution of these backpacks.

7. **Describe how funds will be safeguarded and tracked** (*If funds are to be distributed to a partner in Mexico who will be responsible for the funds? How will transfers of funds to Mexico be handled?*):

Money will be deposited in club bank account.

8. Describe how your club will use the project funds (list the types of expenses / items to be purchased):

The materials we will be purchasing for this project include backpacks, crayons, pencils (regular and colored), scissors, erasers, glue sticks, plastic boxes for holding small items, composition books, rulers, etc.