



**South Bend Rotary Foundation
2026 Philanthropic Fund Application
Due by 5:00 PM ♦ Friday, May 29, 2026**



Requesting Organization

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| Organization Name: | | Tax Status: | |
| Address: | | | |
| Year Organized: | | Type of Organization: | |
| Primary Contact Person: | Telephone # | E-Mail Address: | |
| South Bend Rotary Sponsor: | Telephone # | E-Mail Address: | |

Relationship to South Bend Rotary

A. Has your organization, or one of its affiliates, previously received a grant from the South Bend Rotary Club or Foundation? Yes No

B. If yes, please provide the following information:

1. Year: _____
2. Amount: \$ _____
3. Description of the funded project: _____
4. Is this project still in use? Yes No
5. If an affiliated organization, name of affiliate: _____

Description of Project

Using no more than three (3) additional pages, please attach the following supporting information:

1. Description of the project and how it will improve the quality of life in our community.
2. Total estimated cost of the project.
3. Budget for the project with a break-out of how funds will be used.
4. Will these funds be co-mingled with other donations? If yes, whose funds?
5. How will you identify South Bend Rotary's contribution?
6. Once completed, how many years is this project expected to serve the community?
7. State the location of your program. How many years have you been at this location? Do you have plans to relocate? If yes, when and where?

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| Signature of Official from Requesting Organization | Signature of Sponsoring Rotarian |
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Philanthropic Fund Award Criteria

- ✦ Award is in the form of one major gift of \$15,000.00.
- ✦ Award will be one time as opposed to sustaining; however, recipients may apply again for additional awards in subsequent years.
- ✦ Award will be restricted to **capital projects** only. The South Bend Rotary Club Foundation does not consider computer hardware and software, the payment of salaries, tickets and/or operating expenses as capital projects.
- ✦ Preference will be given to projects located within the geographic boundaries of the City of South Bend.
- ✦ All projects must be sponsored by a member of the Rotary Club of South Bend.
- ✦ Recipient organizations must be not-for-profit (NFP) organizations or causes, which may include projects undertaken by NFP colleges or universities, departments of the City of South Bend, the South Bend Community School Corporation, etc.
- ✦ Selection committee will give consideration to the manner in which the South Bend Rotary Club will be permanently identified with the project and the length of time the project is expected to serve the community.
- ✦ Applications may be submitted along with up to three pages of optional additional supporting information to: wargom@cfhcare.org
- ✦ Applicants and sponsoring Rotarians will be notified via e-mail of the project that will be funded following final approval by the board of directors. Non-recipients will be notified via e-mail after the award has been presented.

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2026. Questions may be directed to the attention of:

Mike Wargo
Chair, SB Rotary Philanthropic Committee
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