

Changes to the terms and conditions for 2017-18 District Travel Grants:

1. Recipients of Travel Grants cannot bring a companion unless that person is another Rotarian also actively assessing the proposed project. In that case there is an option to apply for a second travel grant if not already used or have the eligible expenses of both Rotarians covered in a single travel grant of \$2,500.
2. No extensions for side trips or personal vacation before, during or after the project assessment will be permitted.
3. No accommodations in resort and/or all-inclusive venues will be permitted.
4. As referenced above, one or more Rotarians of the same club may now be covered under a single travel grant of \$2,500.

Rationale:

In recent years there have been multiple incidents of grant applicants travelling with companions not actively participating in project assessment; recreational side trips; incorporating vacations into Rotary subsidized travel; or, securing accommodations at resorts and/or all inclusive venues. Accounting issues frequently surface and the public's perception of how Rotary spends charitable donations is of concern.

Changes to the terms and conditions for 2017-18 Youth Program Grants:

Grant funds can now be used for the following Rotary programs:

1. RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) – Organization and staging of camps
2. AYEC (Alberta Youth Entrepreneurship Camp) - Attendee registration fee levied by AYEC
3. Rotary Adventures in Citizenship – Travel expenses only for student to travel to/from Ottawa.
Exclusions: Participant's registration fee is not eligible as the annual salary of a Rotarian and RC Ottawa office overhead costs are built into the fee. A non-Rotary Foundation grant received by the Ottawa club covers charter bus expenses for travel around Ottawa.

As with all other Youth Programs, the following are ineligible expenses:

- Entertainment expenses
- Expenses incurred by Rotarians or host parents for travel, meals and lodging
- Expenses of Rotarians or lineal descendants of Rotarians to participate in any of the Youth Programs

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