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**Matching Grants** *The Rotary Foundation*

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The primary partner Rotary clubs/districts must submit Progress Reports every twelve months during project implementation. The Final Report is due two months after completing the project.

## Project Information

Matching Grant Number **65704** Project Country **Israel**

Progress report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Final report	Reporting Period from	<b>October 2008</b>	To	<b>March 2009</b>
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Host Partner Rotary Club:	Jerusalem Rotary Club	District:	2490
International Partner Rotary Club:	Sao Paulo-West RC	District:	4430
	Istanbul-Karakoy RC		2420

## Project Narrative

1. Briefly describe the project.

a. What were your original objectives?

1. *To improve the facilities in the music room for hearing impaired children*
2. *To improve the quality of music therapy in the treatment of the affected children from all communities.*

b. When and where did the project take place, and who were the beneficiaries?

*1. The project was carried out at the Alliance Israelite Universelle School for the Deaf in Jerusalem's Kiryat Hayovel neighbourhood. The project started in October 2008 and was completed in March 2009. The Music Room was formally dedicated on 27 April 2009.*

*2. The beneficiaries are the 90 students who have hearing problems that range from medium to severe. Many of the children suffer from additional problems such as learning difficulties, retardation, cerebral palsy and communication disorders. The pupils are aged six to twenty-one and come from all sectors of the Jewish and Arab population. The facilities are also available for affected children who have been absorbed into the regular school system but who require specialist support such as the Music Room.*

2. Scope change. If the project was changed, how and why was it changed?

*The project was carried out as initially proposed.*

## **Rotarian Involvement and Oversight**

3. How did Rotarians manage and oversee the project?

- *Members of the Jerusalem Rotary Club were in constant communication with the school, especially with the Principal, Dr. Gilla Tatar, and participated in the planning stage.*
- *There was oversight of the purchase of equipment to ensure quality control and the need to remain within agreed parameters.*

4. How many Rotarians from the host partner club participated in the project? 5

5. In what way did the host Rotarians participate in the project? Please list all non-financial involvement.

- *Visits to the school during the formulation of the project and contributing technical and planning expertise (architect) available in the Jerusalem Rotary Club.*
- *Ensuring that the equipment and instruments were all utilized for their intended specific purpose. (Music specialist)*
- *Observing Music Room classes and music therapy sessions..*
- *Maintaining contact with the school to ensure continuity and sustainability of the*

*project.*

6. How many Rotarians from the international partner club participated in the project? 1+

7. In what way did the international Rotarians participate in the project? Please list all non-financial involvement.

- *The international partner was kept informed of the development of the project and the utilization of the Music Room once it was operational.*
- *Participation in the dedication ceremony.*

## Community Impact

8. How many people benefited from the project? *90+ children immediately*

9. What was the impact of the project on the beneficiaries?

*Based on information from the Principal and the Music Therapist*

- *Observable therapeutic improvement in the children.*
- *Improved social behavior due to the ensemble activity.*
- *Immediate access to a new world – music.*

10. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?

- *By improving hearing and communication skills better educational prospects for the children*
- *Improved social absorption into the family, friends and community.*

## Financial Statement

**Currency Used:** New Israel Shekels (NIS)      **Exchange Rate:** NIS 4.05 = 1 USD

### 11. Income

Sources of Income		Currency	Amount
1. TRF Matching Grant Award and Contributions		US\$	27,700
2. Other Income (identify):	The Aaron Beare Foundation, Durban, S. Africa	US\$	2,074
3. Other Income (identify):		US\$	
4. Interest Income (if any):			
<b>Total Income:</b>		US\$	29,774

**12. Expenses** (add rows as needed)



By signing this report, I confirm to the best of my knowledge that these Matching Grant funds were spent according to Trustee-approved guidelines and that all of the information contained herein is true and accurate. Original receipts for all expenses incurred will be kept on file for at least three years, or longer if required by local law, in case they are needed for auditing purposes. 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.

Print Name:	<i>Mark A. Zober</i>	Signature:	Date:	27 July 2009
Rotary Title:	<i>President</i>	Club: <i>Jerusalem</i>	District: 2490	

*In our effort to improve our grant program, we'd appreciate your feedback on the following questions:*

**A. Rotary Impact –select all that apply**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Our club or district's international Rotary connections are stronger as a result of this project.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Club membership has increased as a result of this project.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Visibility of Rotary in our community has increased.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Our club's awareness of the needs in our community has increased.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer activity in our club or district has expanded.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Our club or district is more active in pursuing Foundation grants and Rotary programs.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Awareness of the needs in our community has increased among Rotarians in other countries.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Participation in this Matching Grant has not changed our club or district in any significant way.

**B. Project Sustainability – select all that apply**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The project will continue to function without Foundation funds.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Equipment purchased with grant funds is being maintained with local materials and expertise.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If training was a component of the project, trainees are using their knowledge and skills.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	This project has provided community members with the skills, knowledge, or institutions that will allow them to help themselves.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The community has initiated additional projects related to the same or similar problems.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The project has not been sustainable.

**C. Suggestions**

Given your experience, do you have suggestions to improve the Matching Grants program?

*Across several projects we find that there are considerable time lapses between applications or enquiries and the response from RI/TRF. While appreciating the number of communications that need to be dealt with, the delays do lead to frustration on the ground. A speedier communication loop would be appreciated.*

If your project clearly demonstrates Rotarian involvement and is worthy of publication, please complete an RI Newstip Form, available on the RI website at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org). Please attach action photos showing the beneficiaries or showing active Rotarian involvement and indicate the name of the photographer.

## Report Checklist

### Does your report include the following?

Time period of reporting
How and what the project accomplished
Rotarian participation, oversight and management
Rotary impact
Itemized report of income and expenses
<u>A bank statement</u>
Certifying signature
Independent Financial Review for grant awards of US\$25,001 or more

### Have you done the following?

Made copies of the report for both the host and international partner
Returned surplus funds over US\$200 (except in India where all unutilized funds must be returned)
Made a file to store the report and receipt copies for three years or longer if required by local law