

**The Kansas District 37 Optimist International
Club Grant program enables the District to assist Clubs
implementing NEW projects in their community.**

This is a new program approved by the District for the 2016-17 year to provide \$500 matching grants for NEW projects by Kansas Optimist Clubs.

Guidelines for the 2017 Club Grant Program

- Any Kansas Adult or College Optimist Club is eligible to apply for a \$500 grant for a NEW project of the Club.
- The project must start and finish during the 2017 year.
- Grants to Clubs will be matching grants, with Clubs expected to show plans for matching the money and reporting the results. Clubs will be required to file a follow-up report
- Grants are for the 2017 year only.
- Club dues must be current

Review Committee

- A Review Committee will be responsible for awarding the grant and will support projects that assist children and foster diversity and directly involve Optimist Member's participation.

2017 Important dates

- May 1 – Deadline for Grant Applications
- September 30 – Deadline for Grant Reviews to be submitted
- August 11-13 – Attendance at District Convention – Club officer, Lt. Governor to be recognized as recipient and to share grant program awarded

**note grant application dates and review times may change during the 2017-18 year.*

**KANSAS DISTRICT 37 – OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL –
CLUB GRANT PROGRAM 2017**

This program is patterned after the Optimist Foundation Club Grant Program to provide “seed” funding for a Club to be able to initiate a NEW project that might not be possible without some matching funds to initiate.

Section 1: Name of NEW project _____
 Club Name _____ Club No. _____
 Contact Person (must be a club member) _____
 Address: _____

 Daytime Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
 EE-Mail _____ Fax _____
 Club Foundation Representative (CFR) Name _____

.....DUES MUST BE PAID BY DATE OF APPLICATION.....

Section 2: New Project Implementation Timeline: _____
 Please put project date/timeline in complete MM/DD/YY format
 *Note must be completed during the 16-17 Optimist Year.

NEW Project Description and why it is a charitable project (*i.e. not for the benefit of a pre-determined individual, family, not a scholarship award without competitive guidelines, not professional services.*)

How does this project assist children and foster diversity?

Section 3. FUNDRAISING*funds raised by club must at least match the amount of the Kansas Dist. Club Grant

How much money will your club raise to support this project? _____

Revenue Budget Income from:

OI Grant \$500 _____

Total Revenue _____

How will your club spend the funds raised?

Expense Budget- Expenses for:

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Section 4. Demographic Information:

Approximately how many children or people in the community will be served

By this project? _____

How many Optimist Member are currently in your club _____

How many Optimist members will directly participate in the implementation of

This project? _____

How will the Optimist Members directly participate in this project (other than

Fundraising? _____

Section V. Club Approval (*Club president or secretary treasurer initial and signature*)

This is a new project for our club _____ (initial)

If awarded, we will match the grant given by OI _____ (initial)

Requires signature of Club President or Secretary-Treasurer:

Our club has approved this project and plans to support it.

We agree to have a representative (Club Member, DFR, or Lt. Governor at the 2017 Kansas District Convention to accept recognition & to share outcome or anticipated outcome of grant with attendees if we are selected for a grant. If approved for the matching grant, we agree all fundraising efforts must be conducted for charitable purpose. We agree to meet all deadlines, including final reporting deadlines.

Name _____

Title of Officer _____ Date _____