Parma East Rotary Club, D2072: Project UBUNTU-PV – Bujumbura, Burundi

PROJECT FEEDBACK:

- Starting 1 July 2018, all humanitarian and vocational training projects must conduct a community assessment. While the proposal mentions the lack of access to electricity across the entire country, an assessment will need to be conducted within the communities this project will be reaching to better understand the economic needs that exist. The project should be based on the community assessment results. Please keep in mind, community assessments should allow the beneficiary community to openly express their needs, in this case economic needs. The assessment should not solely have the goal of confirming the need for PV panels. The community assessment can be conducted by host or international Rotarians, cooperating organizations or governments, but should involve talking directly with stakeholders in the beneficiary community. Tips for conducting community assessments can be found in the Rotary Community Assessment Tools document. The Community Assessment Results Form can also be included with the global grant application in order to transfer information about the assessment to The Foundation.
- It is understood that basic training on PV manufacturing is already being administered. Therefore, this project would need to either increase the quality and/or quantity of the training, as determined by the community assessment, to meet the requirements of Economic and Community Development.
- Since the goal of Economic and Community Development is to increase job opportunities and income, it would be important for the project to focus on and explain how those receiving the PV manufacturing training will benefit economically from the project.
- Please also keep in mind the sustainability of the project, and how the project activities of vocational training and job placement of those receiving the training will continue after the Rotary Grant has ended.
- Community assessment results should be provided that indicate there are entrepreneurial opportunities or formal jobs available for the vocational training being provided.

RESOURCES:

- Economic and Community Development Guidelines for Global Grant Funding
- Community Assessment Tools
- Global Grant Community Assessment Results form
- Regional Grants Officer Foundation Staff for Burundi: Nyenemo Sanguma, <u>Nyenemo.Sanguma@rotary.org</u>

^{*}please note: additional information may be required by the Regional Grants Officer when reviewing the submitted application.