

Donation Request Guidelines:

Chartered in 1951, the Burnt Hills Ballston Lake Rotary Club is an active group that works with and gives back to our local and global communities to improve daily life in the present and build a better future, while honoring the past. Occasionally, we will receive a request for funds from someone in the community. We find this both reasonable and appropriate. The following criteria are for the Board to use when responding to such requests. Please note that these are guidelines only. Each request is intended to be reviewed by the Board on its' own merit, but the more the request complies with these criteria, the more likely it will be funded.

- **Local** – Community based projects or organizations that have a direct, measurable and positive impact on the families and neighborhoods within our reach and serves the public interest.
- **Educational** – Programs and facilities that contribute to the learning, health and well-being of students within the Burnt Hills – Ballston Lake community.
- **Cultural** – Contributes to the positive enhancement of our communities by supporting better cultural awareness and/or international understanding.
- **Children** – Whose growth, learning and healthy development can be aided and whose special needs can be met through programs providing positive experience, mentoring and/or financial assistance.
- **Health and Well-Being** - Programs that treat and prevent disease, focus on health education and/or equip the community to improve overall health.
- **Individuals with Special Needs** – Supports individuals or families that for physical, mental or economic reasons cannot, without a helping hand, survive or lead a reasonable life
- **Reflect the Rotary motto of “Service Above Self” and echo our “Four-Way Test”:**
 1. Is it the TRUTH?
 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 3. Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?
- Programs sponsored, endorsed or otherwise affiliated with an active Rotarian will receive additional consideration.
- Funding is not provided to political organizations.
- Funding on a continuous basis is generally not provided. However, exceptions are made for programs of special, ongoing interest to Rotarians and for ongoing needs seen as urgent.