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Mid-Isle Rotary Club Receives \$10,000 Grant For Youth Education Programs

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The mid-island branch of the St. Croix Rotary Club has received a grant of \$10,000 from a private source that will be used exclusively to support youth education programs on St. Croix.

Adrienne Seward, Mid-Isle Rotary Club president, said the club has received the first-time fund "to allow us to do even more work with the youth of our community. The need is great, and we believe we will be able to do some excellent work to support some of our schools and other organizations."

The club is now accepting applications from all public and private schools on St. Croix in need of funding for any number of projects, ranging from equipment supply to



Rotary Mid-Isle members at recent Kids

Duathlon at Altoona Lagoon

"Our hope is that this year, we may be able to fund projects for four to six schools through this initiative," Seward said. "The \$10,000 grant will be used on projects through June of this year. If all goes well, we anticipate being able to renew this grant in the coming years."

Funding will be awarded based on the level of impact on students in the school, the amount needed to fund the project, and the school's ability to keep the project alive, according to the organization.

Schools interested in applying are asked to contact Kim DeLine, youth services chair, at Kimedeline@gmail.com.

In order to further support the fund and other youth-oriented initiatives on St. Croix, Mid-Isle Rotary Club will host its "Iron Bartender Mixology" fundraiser on Friday, March 27 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Captain Morgan Visitors Center. For a \$50 donation, attendees will enjoy food, drink, and entertainment.

Fundraiser tickets are available at Global Tours near Sunny Isle Shopping Center, at Undercover Books in Gallows Bay or from any club member.