



GPR Educational Outreach Grants

GPR has money allocated in the budget each year for outreach programs. GPR organizes and supports outreach events each year. However, chapters also perform outreach activities and, as such, **GPR Educational Outreach Grants** are available to support these activities.

Outreach programs are designed to educate the public about EGA and needlework. Examples of educational outreach events include:

- Public displays of needlework;
- Teaching and/or demonstrating needlework techniques at fairs, quilt shows, or needlework shows; and
- Donating hand-made needlework to charity and accompanying it with a description of techniques, materials, and care

Educational Outreach programs do not include charitable good works, which includes things such as making premie caps, providing box tops and labels to schools, or providing kits for military hospitals.

Requests for a **GPR Educational Outreach Grant** are reviewed and approved/declined at the Executive Board Meetings conducted as part of the GPR Region Meetings, normally held the first full weekend in February, June, and October of each year. Completed forms must be submitted to the GPR Outreach Chair a minimum of one (1) week prior to the GPR Executive Board Meeting. A maximum of \$200 may be requested; all or part of the requested amount may be granted if approved.

In order for an event to be considered, it must meet the following criteria:

- The event provides education to the public in some aspect of needlework.
- EGA and GPR are promoted in addition to the local chapter.
- EGA and/or GPR publicity information is available for distribution (e.g., flyers, bookmarks).
- There is an opportunity for public feedback.

The money may be used for any aspect of the event. For example, the grant money may be used to pay for:

- Booth fees
- Entrance/parking fees for volunteers
- Printed materials
- Demonstration materials

Upon submission of the **GPR Educational Outreach Grant Application**, the information will be reviewed at the GPR Executive Board Meeting. If a grant is awarded, all or part of the money requested may be

apportioned, based on the number of grants being requested, the amount of money available for disbursement, and the merits of the outreach project. Funds are not guaranteed for every application submitted. A chapter may be granted funds a maximum of one time per calendar year. If approved, funds will be disbursed within 30 days after the grant approval at the GPR Executive Board Meeting.

Following the completion of the event, a report to the GPR Executive Board must be submitted within four (4) months of completion of the project using the **GPR Educational Outreach Grant Report Form**. If a report is not submitted within the allotted time, the chapter will not be eligible for another grant for a period of 2 years following the report due date.

Should the event not take place, a report to the GPR Executive Board must be submitted within two (2) months of the date of the intended project. The money needs to be returned, if possible, or used for some other event within the next year. The Educational Outreach Chair must be notified of this circumstance, and the replacement event approved by the GPR Executive Board. If a satisfactory resolution cannot be found, the chapter will not be eligible for another grant for a period of 2 years following the report due date.