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Grant Application Education Alliance for Amateur Radio 5480

Dear Vic Klein,

Please accept our sincere thanks for the ECARS grant #5480 for Education Alliance for Amateur Radio, EAAR. This grant was given over 18 months ago and we finally exhausted the funds in November, 2018! Your funding continues to provide EAAR with the equipment needed to introduce the excitement of amateur radio to a new generation of Scouts, many who are likely to become future HAM radio operators.

Let me tell you how ECARS grant funds were spent for Scouting programs in 2017 and 2018. In short, EAAR participated in nine Scouting related programs, 4 in 2017 and 5 in 2018. All of these programs utilized the fox hunt equipment purchased from the ECARS grant. The numbers tell the story: Between 2017 and today over 2,000 Scouts (and more parents) had the opportunity to see amateur radio in action in the Delaware Valley. 125 Scouts and leaders directly participated in the fox hunting activity made available by your grant. 75 of these scouts fulfilled all the requirements for the Radio Merit Badge and several Scouts are studying for their Technicians Class License.

This grant also benefited ECARS. Our Scouts checked into three ECARS nets over the course of the past two years. I can tell that it was a memorable event for both the Scouts and ECAR members. In addition, three EAAR Board Members, Chris-W3CJW, Walt- KB3SBC and myself (Bill-W3FRB) became ECARS members.

Again, my Board and I thank ECARS for your efforts and funding.

'73,

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Attachment: Some pictures from recent events utilizing the ECARS grant.