

Community Grants Fund Grant Workshop

August 16, 2022 6:30 P.M. via Zoom

San Bruno Community Foundation

Founded in 2013 by the City of San Bruno to administer the \$70 million in restitution funds received from PG&E

MISSION

SBCF serves the San Bruno community by investing in projects, programs, services, and facilities that have significant and lasting benefits. Through making grants, leveraging partnerships, and taking advantage of other resources, SBCF assists and enables the community to maximize shared investments and realize their subsequent enhancements and benefits.



Strategic Vision

COMMUNITY LISTENING CAMPAIGN Spring 2015



FOCUS AREAS IDENTIFIED Fall 2015

- Publicly owned community facilities
- Community health and safety
- Sports and recreation
- Education
- Youth activities
- Public spaces, parks, and open space
- Community building
- Human and social services for all
- Economic vitality
- Intra-San Bruno transit
- Healthy, stable, and affordable housing





SBCF Program Accomplishments

Since 2016, SBCF has:

Awarded

71 Crestmoor Scholarships Totaling \$1,035,000

Awarded

137 Community Grants Totaling \$1,700,000 million

Committed

\$50 million in Grants to the New San Bruno Recreation and Aquatic Center

Committed

\$3.3 million to Other Strategic Initiatives, including:

COVID-19 Relief Grants * Music Education Strategic Initiative
First Responder Strategic Initiative * Pedestrian Safety Strategic Initiative
SBPSD School Transformation Grant * San Bruno Community Day
Tanforan Memorial Project



Community Grants Fund

Goal

 To allow local community groups to apply for grant funding to support new or existing programs that benefit the San Bruno community in one of the 11 focus areas identified in the Foundation's Program Strategy Framework

Grant Cycle

Annual



2022 Timeline

July-September	 Application available online - July 1 Grant Workshops - August 16 and September 8 Application deadline - September 21, 5:00 PM
October-November	Review process
December	 Grants approved by SBCF Board – December 7 Begin distribution of grant awards
2023	Grant awards expended



Applicant Eligibility

The Community Grants Fund is generally open to the following types of organizations that engage in activities to benefit the San Bruno community:

- 501(c)(3) public charities
- 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations that meet the public support tests described in 509(a)(2)
- Governmental units that are described in 170(b)(1)(A)

Organizations with questions about their eligibility for a grant in connection with the Community Grants Fund, particularly 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations, should contact Foundation staff prior to completing an Application.



Ineligible Applicants

Entities **NOT** eligible for Foundation funding include:

- Individuals
- 501(c)(3) supporting organizations
- 501(c)(3) Testing for public safety organizations
- Political organizations
- Organizations that the Foundation is prohibited by law from funding with public funds such as religious institutions and private schools
- Any organization that unlawfully discriminates in violation of state or federal law, including on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, or religion



Activities Eligible for Funding

Programmatic Support

- Projects = temporary, produces specific results
- Programs = group of interrelated projects managed together on ongoing basis
- Capital Projects = Purchase or construction of capital assets

Capacity-Building Support

 To assist an Applicant Organization in carrying out its mission more effectively

Must specifically benefit the San Bruno community!



Ineligible Activities

The Foundation will **NOT** directly fund the following:

- Existing deficits
- Direct contributions to restricted endowments
- Lobbying or political activity
- Religious activity that government agencies are legally prohibited from funding



Funding Guidelines

- **Grant Size:** Up to \$25,000
 - SBCF has discretion to determine amount of each grant
 - SBCF may elect to fund programs at less than requested amount
 - Requested amount must be substantiated by budget
- Grant Duration: To be spent in 2023
- Grant Frequency: No more than 3 consecutive years for same program
 - After that, grantee required to wait at least one year before reapplying for funding for that program
 - Grantee able to apply for funding in 4th year for a different program



Grant Awards

2022-2023 Budget

 With support from YouTube and Google.org, SBCF intends to award multiple grants totaling \$300,000 that benefit a diverse cross-section of the San Bruno community

Grants to be awarded

 # of grants awarded will depend on a number of factors, including the number and quality of applications received







Funding Priorities

Applications must be for programs that (1) benefit the San Bruno community and (2) fall within one of the eleven focus areas outlined in the Foundation's Program Strategy Framework:

- Publicly owned community facilities
- Community health and safety
- Sports and recreation
- Education
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Grant Application

- Online form via www.sbcf.org
 - Does not have to be completed in one sitting; you can save your progress and return to the Application at a later time
 - Must be completed online; paper applications are not accepted
- Deadline: Wednesday, September 21, 2022, 5:00 p.m.
- Questions about eligibility? Consult with SBCF staff at grants@sbcf.org prior to applying (but no feedback re: merits of Application provided)

If you are a 2019-20, 2020-21 or 2021-22 Grantee who has received an extension, please contact us prior to beginning an application for a 2022-2023 Community Grant.



Application Checklist

- Executive Summary: Complete form with information about Applicant Organization and Grant Proposal
- Narrative Questions: Respond to questions regarding:
 - Organizational information
 - 1. What are the organization's history, mission, and goals?
 - 2. What are the organization's current activities, recent accomplishments, and future plans?
 - 3. Other aspects of the organization's track record, stability, and financial health to share?
 - Purpose of grant

Community Foundation

- 1. What is the proposed program?
- 2. What needs, problems, opportunities will be addressed?
- 3. Who will be served?
- 4. How does the program contribute to/benefit the San Bruno community?
- 5. How does the program align with SBCF Focus Area(s)?
- 6. How will the organization implement the program?
- 7. What partners are involved?
- 8. What are other sources of funding?
- 9. How will the organization implement the program without SBCF funding?
- 10. What are the long-term funding sources?
- 11. For past grantees only: How does this year's proposal differ from previously funded programs?

Application Checklist

- Supporting Documentation: Upload in PDF
 - Marketing Collateral
 - Applicant Organization's Financial Statements from most recent fiscal year
 - Applicant Organization's Budget for fiscal year when grant funds would be used
 - Program Budget (download from website upload in Excel)
 - Signature Page (download from website)
 - For 501(c)(3) public charities and 501(c)(4)/(c)(5)/(c)(6) entities: Proof of federal taxexempt status
 - For 501(c)(4)/(c)(5)/(c)(6) entities: Completed IRS Form 990, Schedule A, Part III and related documentation
 - For Applicants w/Required Partners: Letter of Support <u>NEW THIS YEAR</u>
 - For Current Grantees w/Active Grants: Grant Report or Status Report



Due Diligence

As part of the due diligence review process, we will check each Applicant Organization's status on:

- Internal Revenue Service's Tax Exempt Organization Search (to check an organization's eligibility to receive tax-exempt charitable donations (generally only a 501(c)(3))
- <u>California Secretary of State's Business Search</u> (to check whether properly formed corporations and LLCs are listed as "active")
- <u>California Franchise Tax Board's Entity Status Check</u> (to check if an organization is exempt from California franchise taxes)
- <u>California Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts Verification</u>
 <u>Search</u> (to check if an organization is registered and if its status is "current")



Review Process

Grant Applications will be evaluated on a variety of factors, including but not limited to:

- Benefits of the proposed program to the San Bruno community
- Proposal's alignment with one of SBCF's focus areas
- Program methodology and budget
- Requested grant amount in relation to anticipated community benefit
- Applicant Organization's track record, stability, and financial health



Grant Conditions

- Execute Grant Agreement
- Submit Grant Report
- Acknowledge SBCF support
- Notify SBCF of changes in tax-exempt status, ability to expend grant award, unapproved use of grant award, changes in key personnel
- Provide requested documentation



Past Community Grant Recipients

- AAUW North Peninsula Chapter
- American Cancer Society / Relay for Life
- Art in Action
- Bay Area Bioscience Education Community
- Bay Area Jazz Mobile
- Boys & Girls Clubs of North San Mateo County
- Capuchino High School Alumni Association
- CASA of San Mateo County
- Catholic Worker Hospitality House
- Center for Excellence in Nonprofits
- Center for Independence of Individuals w/ Disabilities
- City of San Bruno
- CORA (Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse)
- County of San Mateo Jobs for Youth
- Each Green Corner
- Edgewood Center for Children and Families
- First 5 San Mateo County
- Fresh Approach
- Fresh Lifelines for Youth
- Junior Achievement of Northern California
- Latino Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services of San Mateo County, Inc.
- Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County
- LifeMoves
- Lowen Soccer Club
- Marine Science Institute
- Mid-Peninsula Boys & Girls Club

- My Digital TAT2
- Ombudsman Services of San Mateo County, Inc.
- Parent Boosters of 72
- Parents Helping Parents, Inc.
- PARCA (Partners and Advocates for Remarkable Children and Adults)
- Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center
- Peninsula Volunteers, Inc.
- Project Read/City of South San Francisco
- Project Sentinel
- Prospects Basketball Academy
- Rape Trauma Services
- Regents of the University of CA (San Bruno/SSF 4-H Club)
- Rising Sun Center for Opportunity
- Samoan Solutions
- San Bruno AYSO
- San Bruno Education Foundation (SBEF)
- San Bruno Lions Foundation
- San Mateo Community Colleges Foundation
- Second Harvest of Silicon Valley
- Skyline College Music Department
- Social Good Fund (as fiscal sponsor for American Legion Post 409)
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul, San Mateo County
- Society of West-Coast Artists
- Sonrisas Dental Health, Inc.
- StarVista
- Upward Scholars
- Via Heart Project
- YMCA of San Francisco



Helpful Resources

All found on www.sbcf.org:

- One-Page Information Sheet (in English and Spanish)
- Sample Grant Application
- Application Guide



General Grantwriting Tips

- Follow the directions.
- Be clear, concise, and accurate.
- Emphasize how the proposal will benefit the San Bruno community.
- Proofread carefully.
- When in doubt, ask for clarification.
- Don't procrastinate.



Questions?

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Thank you to





