



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSES GRANTS - APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS

Dear Prospective Applicants:

The Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) process provides Neighborhood Councils with greater opportunity to benefit their communities while supporting and building partnerships with local organizations such as yours. Eligible organizations include 501(c)(3) non-profits as well as public schools. (Please note that grants cannot be issued to religious organizations or to private schools.)

Is your Neighborhood Council in good standing with the Funding Program?

Only Neighborhood Councils in good standing with the Funding Program will be eligible to participate in the NPG process. Good standing is interpreted to mean the following:

- Neighborhood Council must have a current Fiscal Year budget on file with the Funding Program;
- Neighborhood Council cannot be delinquent with its Monthly Expenditure Reports submissions to the Funding Program (please refer to the Funding Program Policies and Procedures for more information); and
- Neighborhood Council must have an eligible Treasurer and 2nd Signer in the Board.

Does it Benefit the Community?

Any grant issued by a Neighborhood Council must be for a public purpose: in short, how will the grant help the community? Please refer to the document entitled, *“What is a Public Benefit?”* of the application for Neighborhood Purposes Grant for more information.

Conflict of Interest Laws Apply

The State and local conflict of interest laws that currently apply to the Neighborhood Council Funding Program also apply in the consideration of Neighborhood Purposes Grant requests.

If there is a potential conflict of interest concern identified due to an affiliation with an NPG applicant, Neighborhood Council board members with the potential conflict **must contact** and consult with the Office of the City Attorney, Neighborhood Council Advice Division before engaging or participating in any matters related to the NPG application. Please refer to the document entitled, *“State and City Conflicts of Interest Laws: Information for Neighborhood Council Boards and Committees”* of the application for Neighborhood Purposes Grant and/or the Neighborhood Council’s Field Project Coordinator, or Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA), for more information.



Application Process

The following is **required** from **all organizations/entities** seeking an NPG from a Neighborhood Council:

- ☐ **NPG Application**, completed and signed
- ☐ **Project Budget** on a separate sheet if the space provided on application form is not sufficient
- ☐ **Non-Profits 501(c)(3)**
 - ☐ Submit: IRS Letter of Determination
 - ☐ Submit: Status verification from the [California Secretary of State](#) and/or [Department of Justice](#). Printout and/or screenshots accepted for status verification.
- ☐ **Public Schools**
 - ☐ Submit: Letter on official school letterhead, signed by the school Principal

Applicants must submit the above-mentioned items to the respective Neighborhood Council for consideration. The Neighborhood Council will evaluate all grant applications in a Brown Act public meeting, deciding whether to approve the proposed grant. If the application is approved, it must then be forwarded to the Funding Program within 45 days of approval. Board-approved applications submitted to the Funding Program after 45 days will not be accepted for processing and the Board would need to place the application on a Board meeting agenda again for reconsideration. Once approved, and if all documents are in compliance, the Funding Program will process a check to the grant recipient.

Grants Up to \$5,000.00

Through the Neighborhood Purposes Grant, Neighborhood Councils have the legal authority to issue grants of public funds in amounts up to \$5,000.00 without a written contract.

Grants over \$5,000.00

Grants for amounts \$5,000.01 and over will require further review for City contract considerations in coordination with the Office of the City Clerk so as to meet City contracting standards. Neighborhood Councils do not have the legal authority to enter into unilateral contracts.

Project Completion Follow Up

Applicants must provide a Project Completion Report (attached in this package and available online) at the conclusion of the proposed project funded by the grant. The Report form must be submitted to the NC within 60 days after completion of the NPG project/activity. This will help to inform the Neighborhood Council of the successes and challenges of the project. The Report will also assist the Neighborhood Council in their consideration of future grant requests.

Apply Now!

If you meet the criteria as explained above, fill out the NPG application and submit it to your local Neighborhood Council. You can search your Neighborhood Council by address following the link provided: <https://neighborhoodempowerment.lacity.gov/city-map/>.

If you have any questions please contact the Office of the City Clerk, Neighborhood Council Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or toll free at 3-1-1 or by email at clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org.

NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSES GRANT - WHAT IS A PUBLIC BENEFIT?

A Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) must provide a clear benefit to the community. An NPG activity should build community, enhance the neighborhood, and be open, accessible, and free to the general public. Projects may encompass a wide range and can include, but are not limited to:

- The Arts
- Beautification
- Community Support
- Education
- Community Improvements

The Office of the City Clerk, Neighborhood Council Funding Program has the final discretion to determine whether or not the proposed project can be funded per applicable City standards.

A project may be submitted that is part of a larger project, but if so, consider carefully whether it can be completed independently of the larger project and regardless of whether other funding needs to be secured. Additional sources of funding must be disclosed under Question 8 of the application.

Considerations:

- The **budget** is realistic and supported with documentation
- The organization or individual is **capable** of completing the project
- The **work plan** is detailed, specific, and feasible
- The project is **supported** by the community
- The **number** of stakeholders that will benefit from this project
- The project implementation process will **build community**
- The complete project will **enhance the community**
- **Credibility.** Is your organization's status current with the Federal IRS Office and the State of California? Does your organization know what it wants to accomplish? What evidence proves that the organization is currently achieving its goals? What kind of reputation does the group enjoy within the community and beyond?
- **Capability.** What skills does the organization's staff and/or board bring to the project? Are they relevant to the project's aims? Has your organization succeeded in similar endeavors of equal size and scale to what you are now proposing?
- **Feasibility.** The Neighborhood Council must determine whether the proposal is advancing a worthwhile project built upon a good idea that can be successfully implemented. Is the budget allocated sufficiently to execute the various tasks and strategies described in the proposal? Can your organization provide estimates and invoices for the project?

- **Importance.** Should it be done? Is the project significant? Is there evidence that the proposal will trigger action or work that the community wants? Will it make a difference in the community it purports to aid or resolve the issue it addresses?

Factors to Consider

- Is this a capital improvement project?
 - It should be on public property within the Neighborhood Council's boundaries or provide a clear benefit to its stakeholders, within the City boundaries.
 - There must be coordination with appropriate agencies to secure required additional documentation such as permits, authorizations, or agreements, if deemed necessary (i.e., Cultural Affairs, Dept. of Transportation, Street Services, Rec & Parks, public schools, etc.).
- Is this for program services (i.e. after school program, graffiti removal, etc.)?
 - The applicant must create a fair selection process to establish participants.
- Is this for equipment and supplies?
 - Purchases for schools or 501(c)(3) organizations need to ultimately benefit the local community.
 - Administrative costs of the organization or admission fees cannot be funded through a Neighborhood Purposes Grant.
- Is this for an event?
 - Events must be open, accessible, free of charge, and advertised to the general public
 - Discuss appropriate liability issues
- Are there issues of potential conflict of interest that need to be addressed?
 - If any issues may exist or are perceived, it is strongly advised that Board Members affected consult with the Office of the City Attorney before action is taken on the grant request.
- How many Neighborhood Councils have you applied to within the last 18 months?
 - Grants requested from multiple Neighborhood Councils must be disclosed under Question 7 of the application.
- Failure to submit a Project Completion Report Form may affect the Neighborhood Councils' consideration of future NPG requests from your organization.

Neighborhood Council Funding Program
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)



Office of the
CityClerk

This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. **Any potential conflicts of interest indicated in Section IV of this application must be addressed with the Office of the City Attorney, Neighborhood Council Advice Division prior to the Neighborhood Council board's vote and consideration of the grant.** Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Northridge NC WEST

SECTION I- APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a) The Museum of the San Fernando Valley 26-1292402 CA 2005
Organization Name Federal I.D. # (EIN) State of Incorporation Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)

1b) 18904 Nordhoff St Northridge CA 91324
Organization Mailing Address City State Zip Code

1c) _____
Business Mailing Address (if different) City State Zip Code

1d) APPLICANT POINT OF CONTACT:

Sandy Chukhadarian 8184814290 sandychukhadarian@gmail.com
Name Phone Email

2) Type of Organization- Please select one:

- ☐ Public School (*not to include private schools*) **Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead** or ☒ 501(c)(3) Non-Profit (*other than religious institutions*) **Attach the IRS Determination Letter and status verification from the State of California** (see "Application Process" under the Applicant Instructions.)

3) Are you applying as a fiscal sponsor for another organization?

☒ **No**

☐ **Yes**

If yes, please provide:

Name / Address of Affiliated Organization City State Zip Code

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

On November 1, 2026, The Museum of the San Fernando Valley will host the 2nd Annual Valley Arts Fair, a community event dedicated to promoting & celebrating San Fernando Valley artists by providing them with a vibrant and historic venue to showcase and sell their work. The fair will feature an artist-directed mural created on-site, as well as hands-on art workshops for children, adults, and seniors, offering opportunities for the public to learn, appreciate, and create art alongside local artists. As an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) non-profit, the Museum is proud to present this fair as part of its mission to give a central voice to all Valley cultures. Through the Public Art Initiative (PAI), launched in 2012,

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

By inviting the Valley artist community at large to our historic open space and offering them space with tables, chairs and other items in which to display and/or sell their art to the public, we give artists, the public and local businesses who often participate in our events, an opportunity to share our Valley's diversity, artistic culture and communal spirit with their neighbors that creates lasting impressions and connections. This bond has the opportunity to bring Valley natives, Valley businesses and Valley artists together to begin to collaborate on projects that can continue to upgrade Northridge as well as our Valley region as a whole and make us ready for the 2028 Olympics. The logos of the Northridge

SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

Please provide a detailed Project Budget Outline below. You may also provide a Project Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested. **(Note: Administrative costs of the organization or admission fees cannot be funded through a Neighborhood Purposes Grant.)**

6) Project Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
E ATTACHED BUDGET SHEET (for complete 6b section)	\$1,200	\$4,800
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

7a) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project within the last 18 months?

☒ No ☐ Yes

If Yes, please describe below:

Neighborhood Council(s)	Date Submitted to NC	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7b) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for **any** project within the last 18 months?

☐ No ☒ Yes

If Yes, please describe below:

Neighborhood Council(s)	Date Submitted to NC	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
Northridge NC EAST	9/1/2025	\$1,200	\$1,200
Northridge NC SOUTH	9/1/2025	\$600	\$600
Northridge NC WEST	9/1/2025	\$1,200	\$1,200

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs)

☐ No ☒ Yes

If Yes, please describe below:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
Northridge NC EAST	\$1,200	4,800
Northridge NC SOUTH	\$1,200	4,800
Granada Hills NC NORTH	\$1,200	4,800

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$^{1,200}_____

10a) Start date: ⁹____/¹⁵____/²⁶_____

10b) Date Funds Required: ¹⁰____/¹⁰____/²⁶_____

10c) Expected Completion Date*: ¹¹____/¹____/²⁶_____

After completion of the project, the applicant **must submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council to update the Board of your project successes and challenges and for consideration of future grant requests.*

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?

☒ No ☐ Yes

If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

12) If Yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?

☒ No ☐ Yes

If Yes, provide the date you made the request to the board member. _____

***(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, or signs the Board Action Certification Form (BAC), the NC Funding Program may deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit?," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*

Michel Stevens	President		7/27/26
<i>PRINT Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED*

Cheri Norum	Vice President		7/27/26
<i>PRINT Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

*** If a current NC Board Member holds any board position or is employed in the organization, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org for instructions on completing this form.**

**Neighborhood Council Funding Program
Project Completion Report Form**



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To be filled-out and submitted to the Neighborhood Council once the Neighborhood Purposes Grant project/activity is completed.

Awarding Neighborhood Council: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Grant Amount: \$ _____ Date Granted: _____

Did you receive funding from any other Neighborhood Council(s) for this project?

☐ No

☐ Yes

If Yes, please list below:

Neighborhood Council: _____ Grant Amount: \$ _____ Date Granted: _____

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Neighborhood Council: _____ Grant Amount: \$ _____ Date Granted: _____

Please answer the following questions regarding the grant funding referred to above. Attach additional pages if necessary.

1. Please provide a summary of the overall project for which funding was granted.

2. Please provide a summary of how the project built community, enhanced the neighborhood, and served a public benefit.

3. In an effort to improve our grant-making, we welcome any additional comments you wish to make regarding our grant application process and post-grant reporting process.

4. Please provide pictures of the project, including any before and after images if applicable.

Submitted by

Date

E-mail

Phone

The Museum of the San Fernando Valley's NPG Continuing Response

SECTION III – PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

Continuing Response to Question 6 (b)

As a continuation of The Museum of the San Fernando Valley's budget response to Question 6(a) and 6(b), we submit the following additional itemized costs to support our NPG request:

Non-Personnel Related Expenses 6(b)	Requested on NC	Total Project Cost 6b
- Printing and creation of Marketing flyers, Banners, Local Newspaper ads and Placement, and Social Media/Facebook Ad pushes. Printed flyers for both NC's and Museum to distribute and place in appropriate public and press vehicles. All NC logos included in designs & marketing, \$50, \$350 (2) banner print, \$100 social ads, \$150 computer rental, \$200 videography equip rental, \$150 flyer printing	\$1000.00	
- 300 childrens / senior citizen art workshop materials: brushes, paint, plaster of paris (molds), small canvases, live art wall - printed canvas 8'x20' and fish decals for underwater theme. Cleanup items/trash bags, trash disposal, paper towels, wipes.	\$900.00	
.- 500 8oz mini bottles water per package of 12 [42]. Because the Faire is held outside in the center of the hot Valley and a great number of our visitors are seniors and children, we offer free water to prevent dehydration to our visitors.	\$250.00	
Entertainment live concert equipment rental - mics, stands, speakers, cables, mixing board, etc.	\$500.00	
DJ / Singers / Entertainment	\$250.00	
Cleanup and trash removal	\$300.00	
- Artist Spaces and Chair and Table rentals: 8' spaces that include 80 chairs, 40 8ft x 30 in Rectangular Banquet Tables	\$850.00	
- Venue rental space (Sunday, Nov 1, 2026)	\$750.00	

Rancho Cordillera Del Norte, 18904 Nordhoff St, Northridge, CA 91324		
Total from item 6b from this supplemental sheet		\$4,800.00
Grand total from 6b		\$4,800.00
TOTAL 6b REQUEST FROM NORTHRIDGE NC: West	\$1200.00	\$4,800.00
TOTAL 6b REQUEST FROM NORTHRIDGE NC: East	\$1200.00	\$4,800.00
TOTAL 6b REQUEST FROM NORTHRIDGE NC: South	\$1200.00	\$4,800.00
TOTAL 6b REQUEST FROM GRANADA HILLS NC: North	\$1200.00	\$4,800.00

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **OCT 06 2008**

THE MUSEUM OF THE SAN FERNANDO
VALLEY
21031 VENTURA BLVD STE 419
WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91364

Employer Identification Number:
26-1292402
DLN:
17053240343028
Contact Person:
KIM NGUYEN ID# 31525
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
February 25, 2005
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.



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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Office of the Secretary of State
STATEMENT OF INFORMATION
CA NONPROFIT CORPORATION

California Secretary of State
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Sacramento, California 95814
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Entity Details

Corporation Name THE MUSEUM OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
Entity No. 2795694
Formed In CALIFORNIA

Street Address of California Principal Office of Corporation

Street Address of California Office 18904 NORDHOFF STREET
NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324-1324

Mailing Address of Corporation

Mailing Address 18904 NORDHOFF STREET
NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324
Attention Jackie Langa

Officers

Officer Name	Officer Address	Position(s)
■ Michel Stevens	18904 NORDHOFF STREET NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324	Chief Executive Officer
■ Jackie Langa	18904 NORDHOFF STREET NORTHRIDGE, CA 91323-4	Chief Financial Officer
■ Cheri Derohanian	18904 NORDHOFF STREET NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324	Secretary

☒ The entity's bylaws allow the CEO (President) to be the Secretary or CFO (Treasurer).

Additional Officers

Officer Name	Officer Address	Position	Stated Position
+ Eric Stuart	18904 NORDHOFF STREET NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324	Vice President	

Agent for Service of Process

Agent Name MICHEL STEVENS
Agent Address 18904 NORDHOFF STREET
NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324

Email Notifications

Opt-in Email Notifications Yes, I opt-in to receive entity notifications via email.

Electronic Signature

☒ By signing, I affirm that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized by California law to sign.

Jackie Langa

Signature

04/23/2025

Date