



GHSNC GRANTS PROGRAM



CITY OF LOS ANGELES

GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council Grants Program:

Financial Support for Community Benefits

Dear Prospective Applicants:

As part of the City of Los Angeles' Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) program, the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council (GHSNC) can provide a limited amount of funding to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations and public schools that work in our community. Please note that grants cannot be issued to religious organizations or to private schools.

If your 501(c)(3) or public school provides services to the residents of the Granada Hills South community (please see the map below for our boundaries), you can apply for project funding.



Our boundaries are Highway 118 to the north, Highway 405 to the east, Devonshire Street to the south, and the Aliso Canyon Wash to the west. As long as your organization serves residents of this area, you may apply, even if you are located outside the boundaries.

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Upon review by the appropriate GHSNC committee and approval by the Council's board, the application can be approved and the funds disbursed through the city's Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE).

Along with the community focus, the other major issue for applicants to consider is whether the grant will benefit the community. All grants issued by a Neighborhood Council must be for a public purpose: please refer to document entitled, "What is a Public Benefit Project," of the attached *Application for Neighborhood Purposes Grant* for more information.

Since the GHSNC was certified by the city in 2007, the Council has provided more than \$104,000 in funding for public benefit projects; this total is roughly 50 percent of the funding the Council has received over the past six years.

Projects and institutions that have received funding for specific public benefit projects include:

- Granada Hills Community Events (Holiday Parade, Street Fair, Tree Lighting) - \$33,500
- Granada Hills Veteran's Park ("Triangle") Improvements and Maintenance - \$11,200
- Granada Hills High School - \$11,000
- Valley Academy of Arts & Sciences (high school) – \$5,000
- Granada Elementary School - \$5,000
- Tulsa Elementary School - \$5,000
- West Valley Alliance (graffiti removal) - \$5,000

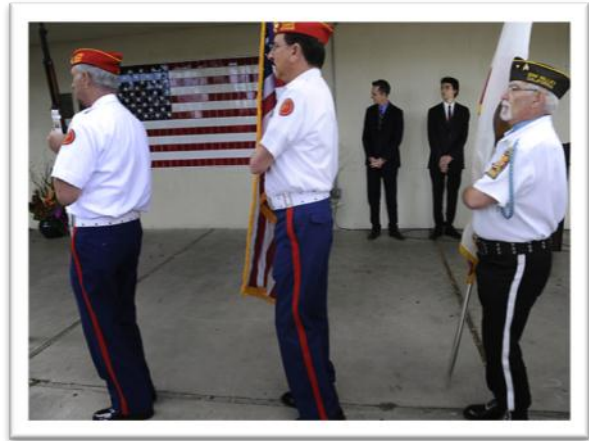


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- Granada Hills Library (Friends of the Library) – \$4,500
- Granada Hills Recreation Center (Petit Park) - \$3,200
- George K. Porter Middle School - \$3,000
- Patrick Henry Middle School - \$3,000
- Valley Interfaith Council (food drives) – \$2,650
- Los Angeles Police Department (Devonshire SOLID, etc.) – \$2,500
- John F. Kennedy High School – \$1,500
- Haskell Elementary School - \$1,500
- Kiwanis Club of Northridge (Veteran’s and Memorial Day holiday activities) - \$900
- North Valley YMCA (food drives) - \$350



Conflict of Interest Laws Apply

Please note that California state and local (City of Los Angeles) conflict of interest laws that currently apply to the Neighborhood Council Funding Program also apply to the GHSNC Neighborhood Purposes Grant.

At a minimum, board members ***must*** recuse themselves from a vote to approve a grant should there be a conflict due to ***any*** affiliation with an applicant organization. There should be full disclosure and transparency.

Please refer to the document entitled “*Conflicts of Interest*,” of the *Application for Neighborhood Purposes Grant* package and/or the project coordinator assigned to the respective Neighborhood Council for more information.

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Application Process

The following is required from all organizations/entities seeking a NPG from the GHSNC:

- NPG application
- W-9 form
- Business Tax Registration Certificate (BTRC)
- Project budget
- Non-profit groups/501(c)(3) (*if a public school, see below*)
 - IRS Determination Letter
- Public Schools
 - Official School Letterhead

Applicants must submit the items listed above to the GHSNC before consideration of the application by the GHSNC. The council will evaluate all grant applications in a public meeting of the appropriate committee, and then in a general board meeting, and decide whether to approve or disapprove the proposed grant.

If the application is approved, it must then be forwarded to DONE. If all documents are in compliance, the Neighborhood Council Funding Unit will process a check to the grant recipient.

Apply Now!

If you meet the criteria as explained above, fill out the attached application and submit it to the GHSNC. The application can be submitted either in person at a committee or board meeting, or via e-mail at board@ghsnc.org, or through our website at <http://ghsnc.org/>

If you have any questions, please contact the GHSNC. In addition, DONE can be contacted at (213) 485-1360, toll free at 3-1-1, or by email at done.funding@lacity.org.

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