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Stanislaus County Announces New Round of Nonprofit Grants

Stanislaus County is once again partnering with the Stanislaus Community Foundation to support local nonprofit organizations. On August 31, 2021, a total of \$1 million in CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds was approved by the Board of Supervisors to assist critical nonprofit work with priority given to nonprofits that did not receive funding from the 2020 Nonprofit Support Grant Program, nonprofits that serve veterans and seniors, and new Stanislaus County nonprofits. Organizations can apply for funding online starting October 5.

“We know the importance of nonprofit services in our community and we are aware of how hard local organizations have been hit economically by the COVID-19 pandemic,” said Stanislaus County Board Chairman, Vito Chiesa. “It’s more important now than it ever was that we support the work of nonprofits and I’m proud of our Board for recognizing that with a new round of grant funding.”

Stanislaus Community Foundation has been contracted to manage the application process on behalf of the Stanislaus County. “Stanislaus Community Foundation is pleased to once again partner with the County to administer these grants to local nonprofits. We know that responding as quickly as possible to the needs of local organizations helps our community recover faster and more equitably to the hardships experienced during the pandemic,” said Marian Kaanon, President and CEO of the Foundation.

501c3 non-profit organizations in good standing with the IRS are encouraged to apply. Pre-schools, K-12 schools, places of worship, colleges/community colleges/universities, auxiliary support organizations (i.e., booster or other school-affiliated clubs), individuals, private foundations, Federal or State of California

agency/division/departments are not eligible. Grant requests may not exceed 10% of the organization's most recent annual operating budget. Grant requests from nonprofits that have not initiated operations in Stanislaus County but intend to launch new programs or services shall not exceed \$50,000. Applying for a grant does not guarantee a funding award.

Stanislaus Community Foundation is managing the application process on behalf of Stanislaus County. Foundation staff will screen and score applications based on a grant program rubric, and present its recommendations to Stanislaus Community Foundation's Grants and Programs Committee, which must agree, by majority vote, on the final grant approvals. Stanislaus Community Foundation will present recommended grant approvals to the Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office for ratification by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors in mid-November 2021.

Nonprofit grant applications will be accepted between Tuesday, October 5, 2021, and Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 5:00 pm PST. Award notifications will occur in November, and award disbursements will occur in December 2021. For more information visit: <https://www.stanislauscf.org/for-nonprofits/#grant-cycles>

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