

GRANT GUIDELINES: 2022-2023 GRANT CYCLE

VIBRANT COMMUNITY

MISSION, VISION & PURPOSE

The purpose and vision of the Ramona Community Foundation (RCF) is to improve the quality of life and meet emerging needs by increasing responsible and effective philanthropy, building a community endowment for the benefit of Ramona, providing funds annually to community organizations, and causes and giving the Ramona community a vehicle for legacy planning and gifts that will benefit Ramona now and forever.

RCF, a proud affiliate of The San Diego Foundation, is committed to the financial support of organizations, projects and programs dedicated to improving the lives of those who live, work and play in Ramona.

FOCUS AREA

RCF is in its 11th year of grantmaking to enhance the quality of life for those who live, work and play in Ramona. In the current cycle, the Ramona Community Foundation invites nonprofit organizations to submit project proposals specifically for Ramona that demonstrate the power to build a more vibrant community and recover from the pandemic.

We will only consider projects that clearly address Ramona-specific issues and needs. These projects should be practical, achievable within a 12-month time frame and have prospects for long-term sustainability. Funding may be used to expand existing programs, replicate programs tested in other communities or to launch totally new efforts. RCF will fund programs managed by nonprofit organizations, schools or government agencies.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the application deadline?

The deadline for application submission is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 23, 2022. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.

How do we apply for a Ramona Community Foundation Grant?

Proposals must be submitted (application questions below) in one Microsoft Word or PDF document to rcf@sdfoundation.org. File name and subject line of email should be "RCF Grant Application - Name of organization." Grant applications are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on or before Monday, May 23, 2022.

Who is eligible to apply for Ramona Community Foundation funding?

To be eligible for a grant from RCF, organizations must have tax-exempt status and provide services in the community of Ramona. An organization may serve as a fiscal sponsor for a charitable organization that does not have tax-exempt status if a cooperative relationship between the two can be clearly demonstrated, and the fiscal sponsor must be willing to administer the grant if awarded. RCF does not make grants to supporting organizations or private, non-operating foundations.

How much can we request?

RCF will accept proposals in a range of \$1,500 to \$7,500.



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What is the grant period?

Grants are made for one year. This grant cycle is October 1, 2022 to October 31, 2023.

What will the Ramona Community Foundation not fund?

RCF does not make grants for:

- Annual campaigns and fundraising events
- Stipends for attendance at conferences
- Endowments or "chairs"
- For-profit organizations and individuals unaffiliated with a qualified fiscal sponsor
- Projects that promote religious or political doctrine
- Research (medical or otherwise)
- Scholarships
- · Existing obligations/debt

Who can I contact if I have any questions?

If you have any questions regarding the program, please contact Trudy Armstrong at trudy@sdfoundaiton.org. For technical questions regarding the application submission, please contact Lesley Hughes at lhughes@sdfoundaiton.org.

What is the Ramona Community Foundation Timeline?

- Monday, May 23, 2022 Grant applications due no later than 5:00 p.m.
- July 2022 Review with finalists
- September 2022 Selection of award recipients
- October 7, 2022 Grant checks are presented to grantees at event
- October 2022 Program funding start date

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Once complete, please email the application as an attachment to rcf@sdfoundation.org.



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1. Applicant Information

- Is your organization a 501(c)(3) public charity?
- Does your organization have a fiscal sponsor?
- Organization Name
- · Address, City, State, Zip
- Telephone
- Website
- Organization Budget Size
- Tax ID (EIN) Number

2. Executive Director

- Name
- Title
- E-mail
- Telephone

3. Program Contact

- Name
- Title
- E-mail
- Telephone

4. Fiscal Sponsor - ONLY if your organization is not a 501(c)3 public charity

- · Organization name
- · Address, City, State, Zip
- Telephone
- Tax ID (EIN) Number

5. Project Name

6. Amount you are requesting

7. Organizational History (Max. 200 words)

Describe the organization's history, mission, and goals.

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8. Purpose of the Grant (Max. 300 words)

Describe the purpose of the project including major goals, activities, and timelines; include how they are addressing identified community needs and provide information about the population served.

9. Partnerships (Max. 100 words)

Describe how the project fosters collaboration with other successful entities in the community to achieve a common goal or objective.

10. Impact and Evaluation (Max. 100 words)

Please share the measurable outcomes anticipated from the project as well as the evaluation methods to be used. Include who will be involved in the evaluation and how the information will be used.

11. Sustainability (Max. 100 words)

Describe how the program is sustainable in subsequent years.

Program Budget

- Total Organization Budget \$_ (Required)
- Other Funding Sources (please specify all earned and contributed revenue sources)
- List Program expenses below

	Expense Category	Requested Amount	Program Budget
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		Total Requested Amount	Total Program Budget