

# *City of San José, California*

## **COUNCIL POLICY**

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### **BACKGROUND**

The City provides grants regularly (typically yearly) to a variety of organizations to support the delivery of community services, health and human services, housing programs, arts and cultural activities, economic development, environmental programs, and other areas.

A grant is defined as an agreement between the City and an outside entity wherein the City provides funding in exchange for the outside entity's performance of a service (or services) or completion of a particular scope of work that will result in a benefit to the community. The benefit will support the City's mission by sustaining or enhancing a safe, livable and vibrant community. For all grant agreements, excepting very rare circumstances, the outside entity will be a non-profit, community-based organization, school district, or another governmental agency.

The majority of grants are awarded through competitive proposal processes that consider both the cost and quality of services to be provided. The City has numerous existing grant programs. Some examples are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Healthy Neighborhood Venture Fund (HNVF), San Jos[00e9] BEST (Bringing Everyone's Strengths Together), Arts Operating Grants, and Arts Project and Program Grants.

### **PURPOSE**

To establish the policy of the City concerning granting of money to outside entities providing benefit to the residents of San José.

### **POLICY**

It is the policy of the City of San Jos[00e9] that funding is provided to outside entities in order to accomplish one or more of the following objectives and priorities:

- Support the overall City policy objectives;
- Build relationships between the public sector and community;
- Provide quality services that are complementary or in addition to services provided by City staff;
- Deliver services funded, in whole or in part, through grant funding from State, federal, or other sources (pass-through grants);
- Foster and leverage support from volunteers and active communities;
- Address emerging needs and improve programs to meet existing needs.

Subject to the availability of funding, the City Council hereby intends to support grants for organizations providing services in the service areas listed below for the purpose of meeting unmet needs:

1. Basic Human Needs For Lower Income Individuals or Households
  - Shelter, both temporary and transitional

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- Affordable Housing and Housing Assistance
  - Food Meeting Basic Nutritional Needs
  - Clothing To Meet Basic Needs for Clothing
  - Dependent Care for Children, Elderly, Infirm and Disabled
2. Counseling & Support
    - Violence (Domestic Abuse and Gangs)
    - Substance Abuse (Alcohol and Drugs)
    - Immigration (Status, Language, Education and Access)
    - Grief (Trauma and Bereavement)
  3. Access to Healthcare For Uninsured or Lower Income Individuals/Households
    - Physical (Primary Care and Health Insurance)
    - Mental (Adult and Family Mental Health)
  4. Enhancing Adult Living Skills
    - Basic and Intermediate English
    - Employment (Obtaining, Holding and Advancement)
    - Financial Management (Budgeting, Saving for Home, Education and Retirement)
    - Effective Parenting (Preschool, School Age, Preparing for Adulthood)
    - Nutrition and Fitness (Diet, Exercise, Disease Prevention, Recreation)
  5. Developing Children and Youth
    - Early Childhood and Preschool (School Readiness, Language and Social Skills)
    - Physical and Emotional Well Being
    - Responsibility and Citizenship
    - Career Aspirations and Support
  6. Assisting Seniors and Disabled
    - Transportation
    - Care Planning (Information and Referral)
    - Recreation, Nutrition and Fitness
  7. Neighborhood & Community Leadership and Capacity Building
    - Non-profit Organizations (Resident Representation in Governance, Planning & Delivery of Services, Capacity for Measuring Outcomes)
    - Neighborhoods and Communities (Neighborhood Services Projects and Volunteer Opportunities)
  8. Neighborhood Appearance
    - Anti-Litter
    - Anti-Graffiti
    - Neighborhood Beautification
  9. Public Safety
    - Community and Neighborhood Watch

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- Gang Awareness, Prevention, and Intervention
- 10. Environmental Benefit
  - Environmental Awareness, Outreach and Education
  - Recycling Programs and Sustainable Activities
  - Watershed/Water Quality
  - Air Quality and Urban Forest
- 11. Arts, Culture, and Sports
  - Arts, Culture, Sports, Entertainment and Community Events
  - Arts, Culture, and Sports Activities and Organizations
  - Facilities Support
- 12. Economic Development
  - Local and Regional Economic Development Activities and Organizations
  - Chambers of Commerce
  - Workforce Training and Career Services
  - Neighborhood Business Districts

