

## **ATTACHMENT 2**

**Grant Applications  
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**Deadline – September 30, 2025, 12:00 PM**

**Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application**

Agency Name: Assistance League of Visalia

Phone: 559-737-1984

Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Operation Literacy through Operation School Bell® and additional events

Agency mailing address: P.O. Box 1408

City: Visalia

State: CA

Zip Code: 93278-4108

Email: [assistanceleaguevisalia@alvisalia.org](mailto:assistanceleaguevisalia@alvisalia.org)

Contact Name and title: Margaret Meling, Recording Secretary

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of **Assistance League of Visalia**, as specified in the attached Board Resolution. **Assistance League of Visalia** acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and **Assistance League of Visalia** agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Margaret Meling

Title: Recording Secretary

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: September 26, 2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

The grant amount of \$6,500 will buy approximately 5,000 books for the appropriate reading levels of students in elementary schools in Visalia Unified School District. Students in selected schools or at local school literacy events will select books to take for their home libraries. Books are distributed to all students within a school, at school's literacy event, and at the Operation School Bell clothing events at JC Penney. Four times a year approximately 200 elementary students are selected by VUSD personnel for the clothing events. Each child can select a book to take home at the end of the shopping event.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Operation Literacy promotes reading by increasing the number of books in the homes of students. Distribution of books at schools, literacy events, and Operation School Bell raises the awareness of the importance of reading and its value to each individual in the family.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
1. Distribute books at Operation School Bell clothing events to put reading center stage for all families attending.	1. The enthusiasm for books is measured by the number of books taken by families at the Operation School Bell event. Families at these events are selected by VUSD personnel and are part of the lower socio-economic group within VUSD. Families with fewer resources to purchase books for the home are provided books for the home and all children in the family benefit from the home library.
2. Distribute books at Literacy Nights at VUSD schools.	2. The Literacy events build enthusiasm for reading and provide an immediate access to books for the home. The number of books taken by families will be a key measurement of the outcome.
3. Distribute books to all students at local schools	3. Selected schools will have books distributed by grade levels on the same day creating a schoolwide excitement about reading. The number of books distributed in a single day provides a visual lesson that books are for everyone and an important part of students' lives. Encouraging students to share their books with each other is an added benefit.

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome: See above table</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

January through December

July through June

Other:  June 1 to May 31

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia’s Non-Profit Program grant.

	<b>Past performance PY 2025*</b>	<b>Proposed PY 2026**</b>
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	5,000	5,000

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

Assistance League – Volunteers transforming the lives of children and adults through community programs.

Operation Literacy promotes enthusiasm for reading and the value of reading to both children and the adults in their families.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

In the last 25 years the Assistance League Operation School Bell program has clothed students at JC Penney. Students select clothing that makes them feel prepared for school and encourages attendance. Operation Literacy has given away on average 4,000 or more books a year since 2018.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

Books given at Operation School Bell events are specifically for those students of lower socioeconomic backgrounds since they are the students recommended for OSB. Family budgets continue to be squeezed by higher prices and providing both clothing and books for the home helps to overcome these financial limitations. Books distributed to all students at selected elementary schools also include lower income families as many of the schools in VUSD have many students and families needing assistance.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

N/A

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

none

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Yes, the program will be operational and funded by other fundraising events. Each year we hope to grow the funding and reach our goal of providing 10,000 books for students.



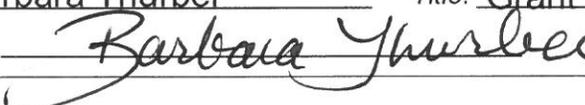
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**Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application**

Agency name: Blanket Ladies with MOU from Parenting Neteork  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: ~~Blankets, Bears, and More Project~~  
Agency mailing address: P.O. Box 1006  
City: Visalia State: Ca. Zip Code: 93279  
Phone: 559-799-7015 E-Mail: thurbphoto@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Barbara Thurber Grant Coordinator

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Parenting Network (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. Parenting Network (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and Parenting Network (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Barbara Thurber Title: Grant Coordinator  
Signature:  Date: 9-12-2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ \$2000
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

The Blanket Ladies will construct blankets and/or baby layette sets valued at \$2000 to be distributed to social service agencies serving the 0 to 18 year population of Visalia. The CAC grant will be used to purchase material (fabric, yarn) to be used in the construction of these itemd. Approximately 130 blankets and or baby layette set will be made for donation.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Provide 130 fleece blankets and or baby layette sets to Parenting Network Visalia and/or Visalia Emergency Aide Council to distribute to 130 clients aged 0 to 18 years in Visalia. Quantity may change based on price of materials.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p>Donated fleece blankets and baby layette sets serve an essential need for warmth and comfort. Many families are living in homes with llimited or no heat. Many newborns have no new swaddling items.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop a list of needed items based on distribution from previous year and agency requests.</li> <li>2. Purchase needed materials for the project.</li> <li>3. Distribute completed items to agencies</li> </ol>	<p>The agencies receiving our item continue to form strong bonds with their clients by assisting them to become better parents by participating in various parenting classes, nutritional classes, preschool and counseling. They connect their clients to other social services to improve their basic life needs and help the families become self sufficient.</p> <p>The employees of the agencies we serve write letters of support expressing that the items\ we provide are tools needed for them to become partners with their client to effect change. Measureable outcomes - families have been provided essential items from warmth and comfort by agencies that would not have such items if we had not provided them</p>

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
	<p>Continued fro above</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Request letters from these agencies and submit them with reports to CAC.</li> <li>2. Submit copies of receipts for materials purchased with CAC grant monies.</li> <li>3. Submit copies of the signed delivery memos which list the number of items given and dates distributed.</li> </ol>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ N/A	\$ \$2000
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	N/A	130

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

To improve the life of all families including those with special needs by providing support and empowerment through centralized delivery of social, educational, and health advocacy and other support agencies which respect beliefs, values, customs, and cultures. (Parenting Network)

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

With Blanket Ladies providing blankets and layette sets, Parenting Network's social workers give these items to families forming a bond of support to encourage positive changes to improve the lives of the families.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

None

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Blanket Ladies continue to write grant applications and proposals to service clubs, foundations, First 5 Tulare County, Tulare County Board of Supervisors Good Works, and individuals throughout the year. Basically, we make items with the monies we receive each year.

**Program Budget**

<b>PROGRAM INCOME/REVENUE SOURCE</b>	<b>Projected Program Funding for 2026</b>	<b>Status of program funds committed S = Secured P = Pending</b>
Visalia Non-Profit Program Funds		
Donations	\$1000	P
Fundraising Events		
County Funding (include grant names) Good Works	\$1000	P
State Funding (include grant names) First 5 Tulare County	\$7500	S
Private Foundations (include Foundation names)		
Program Fees		
Other:		
Downtown Rotary Club of Visalia	\$1000	S
County Center Rotary Club of Visalia	\$2500	S
Sunset Rotary of Visalia	\$500	<del>P</del> S
Breakfast Rotary of Visalia	\$1000	P
United Way of Tulare County	\$1000	S
Sence Foundation	\$1000	P
Dwelle Family Foundation	\$500	P
Carpenter Family Foundation	\$500	P
Bank of the Sierra Sierra Grant	\$2000	P
<b>Total Program Revenue:</b>	<b>\$19,500</b>	

<b>PROGRAM EXPENSES</b>	<b>Amount to be charged to this grant</b>	<b>Amount to be charged to other sources</b>
Salaries		
Employee Benefits		
Payroll Taxes		
Mileage		
Supplies		
Printing and Copying		
Office Expenses/Rent		
Utilities		
All Other Expenses related to the proposed program (list by category)		
Fabric, Yarn, Notions	\$2000	\$17,500
<b>Total Program Expenses:</b>		<b>\$19,500</b>

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**Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application**

Agency name: Boys & Girls Club of Tulare County dba Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sequoias (BGCS)

Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Youth Development \_\_\_\_\_

Agency mailing address: 215 W. Tulare Ave.

City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93277

Phone: 559.592.4074 E-Mail: galen.quenzer@bgcsequoias.org

Contact name & title: Galen Quenzer, CEO

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sequoias (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sequoias (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sequoias (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Galen Quenzer Title: Chief Executive Officer  
Signature:  Date: 9/29/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
- an ongoing program or activity
- scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.

Provide youth development programming in the area of Healthy Lifestyles. Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sequoias has three priority outcomes: 1) Academic Success, 2) Healthy Lifestyles, 3) Good character and citizenship. This grant will help us fulfill our goal of helping youth actively develop healthy lifestyle habits and stay away from risky and unhealthy lifestyle choices. This grant will provide Healthy Lifestyle programming for 50 youth, ages 6-18.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Healthy Lifestyles – youth, ages 6-18 will adopt a healthy diet, make healthy lifestyle choices and make a lifelong commitment to fitness.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p>Implement the Triple Play Suite including:</p> <p>1) Implement two courses of the Healthy Habits nutrition education program with 40 youth by December 31, 2026.</p> <p>2) Implement the Daily Challenges program 4x per week to help youth build movement skills and positive attitudes toward physical activity. 50 youth. Year-round.</p> <p>3) Implement a Social Recreation program to build social-emotional skills in youth. 50 youth. Year-round.</p>	<p>Our Member Tracking System (MTS) software is used to track Club member demographics as well as program participation. Attendance will be taken of all grant programs. Reports can be generated to tell us how many of our members are participating in each of the three programs.</p> <p>We also conduct an annual survey to assess Club-wide progress on each of our priority outcomes as well as members' Club Experience. Participants of Triple Play will take the survey which assesses their agreement with indicators related to health: nutrition, fitness and social-emotional behaviors.</p>

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

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5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$NA	\$6,500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	NA	50

*\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.*

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

"To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, responsible, caring members of society." Healthy Lifestyles are critical for young people to become responsible and productive members of society.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

The Visalia Club has been serving youth since 1999. In the past 26 years, we have served over 6,500 young people, many of whom were involved at the Club for many years and participated in a variety of programs.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in

the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

We take our mission to serve “those who need us most” seriously. The Visalia Club currently has several youth with intellectual disabilities (autism), and the Club serves numerous foster youth. For the fourth year, the Visalia Club has had a formal relationship with the Tulare County Probation Department where young people on informal probation are required to attend the Club for a specified number of hours. During this time, probationers get involved with positive activities, become involved with exploring careers and learn job readiness skills. The Club has served an average of 18 justice-involved youth per year.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

NA

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

We did have a significant operating deficit last year due to a capital campaign we are conducting.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Yes, but we may not be able to serve as many kids.

**Program Budget**

PROGRAM INCOME/REVENUE SOURCE	Projected Program Funding for 2026	Status of program funds committed S = Secured P = Pending
Visalia Non-Profit Program Funds	6,500	P
Donations	24,700	P
Fundraising Events		
County Funding (include grant names)		
State Funding (include grant names)		
Private Foundations (include Foundation names)		
Program Fees		
Other:		
<b>Total Program Revenue:</b>	\$31,200	

PROGRAM EXPENSES	Amount to be charged to this grant	Amount to be charged to other sources
Youth Development Coach (staff)	6,500	13,500
Facilities expenses (inc utilities, maintenance)		8,000
Insurance		2,800
Supplies		400
<b>Total Program Expenses:</b>	6,500	24,700

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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: California Health Collaborative  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Visalia Youth-Led Art & Wellness Summit  
Agency mailing address: 600 W Acequia  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93292  
Phone: 559-244-4526 E-Mail: dlopez@healthcollaborative.org  
Contact name & title: Daisy Lopez, Senior Director of Program Services

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of California Health Collaborative (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. California Health Collaborative (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and California Health Collaborative (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: John Bodtker Title: Chief Executive Officer, Interim  
Signature:  Date: 09/29/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ \$6500
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

The requested funding will be used to host an Art and Wellness Summit for Visalia youth ages 12-19 and their families. Led by 4 Visalia Youth art and wellness interns, the Summit will engage approximately 100 local youth and their families in hands on art workshops and wellness activities designed to promote creativity, self-expression, and emotional wellbeing.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Visalia youth will participate in an Art and Wellness Activities designed to increase their access to creative wellness practices that strengthen emotional regulation, resilience, mental wellness and community connection.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recruit and train 4 youth art interns to design and lead art/wellness workshops.</li> <li>2. Host a one-day Art and Wellness Summit for 100 youth and families featuring multiple art modalities (painting, dance, poetry, music, etc.).</li> <li>3. Provide interactive wellness stations (mindfulness, journaling, movement).</li> <li>4. Provide opportunities for local Visalia youth to showcase their art and share reflections with peers and family.</li> </ol>	<p>Event surveys following the end of the event will measure any mental health, wellness and resilience outcomes.</p> <p>Attendance logs will document number and age of youth served.</p> <p>Qualitative feedback forms from youth interns will identify any outcomes learned by the interns leading the summit.</p> <p>Pictures and documentation of art projects and performances.</p>

**Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.**

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ 0	\$ 6500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	0	100

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.

\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

Since 1982, the California Health Collaborative (CHC) has walked alongside youth, families, and communities to advance health, healing, and justice. Guided by our mission of *changing lives by improving health and wellness*, we uplift the voices of those most impacted by inequities, particularly Latinx, African American, Asian American, Pacific Islander, and immigrant communities who often face systemic barriers to care, resources, and belonging. CHC is rooted in culturally responsive, community-centered approaches that honor lived experience. With headquarters in the Central Valley, we collaborate with local partners to ensure that across the lifespan, people feel seen, valued, and empowered.

Our programs span tobacco prevention, youth development, maternal wellness, sexual and reproductive health, senior services, mental health, and substance use prevention. Across all programs, CHC focuses on capacity-building and policy, systems, and environmental change that address root causes of inequities. Youth leadership is at the heart of our work. We engage young people as advocates and co-creators of healing-centered strategies that strengthen their communities. By equipping youth with tools, mentorship, and opportunities to influence local policy and systems, we support them in building collective power to advance change.

CHC is dedicated to advancing equity by amplifying youth voices and creating pathways for them to lead and thrive. The proposed program centers on youth voice and their ability to strengthen their communities using art, advocacy, and storytelling. Funding will support the annual Art and Wellness Summit, which brings together young people, supportive adults, families and community allies to celebrate creativity, healing and resilience. The purpose of the summit is to uplift the talents and lived experiences of youth, particularly those disproportionately impacted by juvenile court systems, foster care, and expulsion from schools. This opportunity empowers youth from Visalia to redirect their stories into a positive outlook of resilience and hope regardless of their background, upbringing, or circumstance.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

The California Health Collaborative has over three decades of experience designing and implementing health and wellness programs that reach diverse communities throughout the Central Valley, including the City of Visalia. Our youth development portfolio includes programs such as California Personal Responsibility Education Program (CA PREP) that provides comprehensive adolescent sexual health education, Friday Night Live which leads substance use prevention programming for youth and families, and the HEAL (Healing, Equity, Action, Leadership) program, which leads leadership, art and wellness activities in Visalia. These initiatives engage thousands of young people annually in leadership development, health education, and healing-centered practices that build resilience and strengthen protective factors.

Through these programs, CHC has successfully hosted youth-led summits, art-based community projects, and wellness events that elevate youth voice and create safe spaces for connection and growth. We have a proven ability to recruit and mentor youth interns, coordinate large-scale community gatherings, and evaluate outcomes through both quantitative and qualitative measures. This experience positions us well to implement the Art and Wellness Summit in Visalia, ensuring that young people are not only participants but also leaders in creating healthier, more connected communities.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

The proposed project intends to serve youth ages 12–19 in the City of Visalia who are disproportionately impacted by poverty, juvenile justice systems and juvenile courts, judgment surrounding substance use that create barriers to care, foster care, and exclusionary discipline practices. The 2023–2024 California Healthy Kids Survey found that 19% of 9th graders, 20% of 11th graders, and 37% of nontraditional school students reported lifetime substance use. Discipline data further illustrates inequities. In 2024, BIPOC students were suspended at a 5.8% rate compared to 3.3% for White students, highlighting systemic disparities.

Funding will directly support youth-led leadership and advocacy initiatives that engage young people most impacted by the systemic disparities listed above. Through this opportunity, Visalia youth will plan, lead, and host an Art and Wellness Summit for their peers, families, and community. The summit will include activities that reflect their lived experience and cultural identities, while building confidence, resilience and leadership skills. Youth facing challenges such as suspension or expulsion are often excluded from school-based leadership activities that foster growth and connection and limit opportunities to build protective factors against substance use and adverse childhood experiences, such as mindfulness, creative expression, and community engagement. By building on the existing HEAL Project and California Health Collaborative programming, this initiative reduces financial barriers and ensures youth and families can participate in meaningful, healing-centered activities that strengthen individual and collective well-being.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

While CHC has previously implemented art and wellness activities in Visalia with limited funding, resources have only allowed us to serve a small number of youth at a time. We

have seen first-hand the impact these opportunities make, particularly for young people who face barriers to safe, creative, and supportive spaces. Youth participants have consistently expressed the need for more accessible, ongoing opportunities to engage in art as a pathway to healing and wellness.

Currently, Visalia has very few free, youth-led events that combine art and wellness in a way that is inclusive of families and accessible to those most impacted by poverty, inequities, and community stressors. With expanded funding, the Art and Wellness Summit will allow us to reach a larger number of youth, especially those who could benefit most, and strengthen the leadership skills of youth art interns who will serve as facilitators and role models. This program fills a clear gap in youth programming while advancing CHC's mission to change lives by improving health and wellness.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

The California Health Collaborative has maintained strong financial management practices and has not experienced debt or budgetary deficits in the past five years. Our organization operates with a diverse funding base, including state and federal grants, local contracts, and philanthropic support, which allows us to remain stable while expanding services that meet community needs.

While resources are always limited in nonprofit work, we carefully align funding with program goals and leverage in-kind support and community partnerships to maximize impact. The requested funding will supplement secured state resources to ensure the Art and Wellness Summit is accessible to all youth and families at no cost. Our history of fiscal responsibility and program success demonstrates our ability to steward these funds effectively.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

If partially funded, the program will be able to continue as planned but would impact the expansion, reach, and youth creative freedom. Our goal is to reach 100 youth and their families through the event and compensate youth leaders for their time and effort. The Art and Wellness Summit is meant for young people to lead, advocate, and see themselves in the work that is coordinated, as well as positively impacting participants. A partially funded award will not impact the program outcome to serve 100 youth; however, it will impact the overall planned approach.

For young people impacted by juvenile courts, exclusionary disciplinary practices, and substance use, one of the protective factors that California Health Collaborative promotes are youth-led spaces that honor youth voices and experiences. Full funding will supplement HEAL Project's goal to provide intentional opportunities to engage Visalia youth and their community circles. With financial support, youth will be able to creatively target their supportive unit including peers, supportive adults, and family.



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**Deadline – September 30, 2025, 12:00 PM**

## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Central Valley Youth Sports & Education  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Girls on the Run & SV Chivas 14 - Navy  
Agency mailing address: PO Box 6190  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93290  
Phone: (619)995-5483 E-Mail: cvyse@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Lindsay Etchegaray, CFO

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of  
Central Valley Youth Sports & Education (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution.  
Central Valley Youth Sports & Education (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on  
the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit  
Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to  
any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and  
Central Valley Youth Sports & Education (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Lindsay Etchegaray Title: CFO  
Signature: Lindsay Etchegaray Date: 9/10/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,100
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

Twelve Scholarships for the Girls on the Run program - this will allow twelve 3rd-5th grade Visalia students to participate in the program. The grant would pay for the program cost of \$50 per student.

Five Scholarships for South Valley Chivas - Visalia soccer teams players. This will allow five kids to participate in travel soccer. The grant would pay for registration fee, league fees, and tournament fees.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Twelve Visalia students accomplish the 5k race at the end of the season. Success would be measured by 75% participation in practices throughout the season and completion of the 5k. It costs \$50 per participant, \$600 total.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p>20 Lessons over the 10 weeks 5k Run at the end of season.</p> <p>Cost per participant: \$50 12 Participants: \$600</p>	<p>75% participation in lessons Completion of 5k in December</p>

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Successful 2026 soccer season. Ability too play on a club travel team which would not be accessible otherwise.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p>Practice Participation League Play Tournament Play</p> <p>Annual Club Fee: \$450 Fall &amp; Spring Fees: \$250 Tournament Fees x2: \$400 (\$75 Entrance Fee &amp; \$125 Hotel Stipend) Total per Player: \$1,100 5 Players: \$5,500</p>	<p>75% participation at practices &amp; games.</p> <p>Participation in both tournaments.</p>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ N/A	\$ 6,100
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	N/A	17

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

CVYSE is dedicated to empowering young people through athletics and academics. Our mission is to provide safe, inclusive, and enriching programs that foster teamwork, discipline, leadership, and lifelong learning.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

We have provided scholarships for players on the South Valley Chivas 2014 - Navy Visalia team for the 2024-2025 season. This allowed players that would normally not be able to participate in travel soccer play on a team that travels the state and competes at the highest level.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

The soccer scholarships serve a financially challenged population.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

Visalia does not offer the Girls on the Run program, we are providing girls the opportunity to participate in a nationwide program that promotes building confidence through movement.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

N/A

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Partial funding will results in less participation, fewer kids that are able to participate.



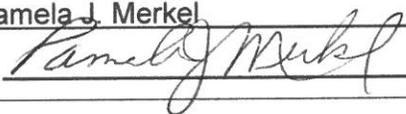
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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: CLIPArts (Christ Lutheran Institute of Performing Arts)  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: CLIPArts  
Agency mailing address: 3830 W. Tulare Ave.  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93291  
Phone: 732-1851 (church office) E-Mail: pmerkel24@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Pamela Merkel, president, CLIPArts board of directors

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of  
CLIPArts (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution.  
CLIPArts (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on  
the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit  
Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to  
any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and CLIPArts (Grantee agency)  
agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Pamela J. Merkel Title: President, board of directors  
Signature:  Date: 9-24-25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6500.00

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025  
 X an ongoing program or activity  
 scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program  
Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

CLIPArts plans to use the funds for costs associated with our performing arts program such as  
royalty fees and rights to produce a Broadway-type musical, costumes, sets, props, publicity, etc.  
each school semester. Our no-cost-to-families program serves community youth in grades 1-8.  
We currently have 15 students but plan to grow our program in the next year.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
We are currently in rehearsals for our fall production, "Madagascar the Musical" to be presented in December 2025. We ave not selected our 2026 shows yet but they will be of equal or greater quality.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
1. CLIPArts will advertise the program through social and print media.	1. 20 or more students will enroll in the program. Daily attendance will be taken with parents/guardians signing students in and out each day.
2. Students will receive instruction in singing, dancing, and acting as well as improvisational skills and creative expression.	2. Instructors will assess students' skills each day, giving kind guidance for improvement.
3. Students will audition for roles after coaching from staff. All students will have at least one part to play.	3. By January 26, instructors will cast students in roles for the spring show.
4. At each program session, students develop their skills in singing, dancing, and acting, moving eventually to memorization.	4. Students will be provided scripts and online means to practice at home as well as during the program hours.
5. Tech and dress rehearsals will take place before the performance dates.	5. Staff will assess students' readiness to perform and boost their confidence with encouragement.

**Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.**

**Program Outcome:**

The second show to be presented in December, 2026, will involve more students, free of charge. If we raise enough money, we will rent a local theater to produce the show.

**Activities**

Same as #1-5 above

**How will activities be measured?**

Same as #1-5 above except:

1. We plan to grow in numbers of students enrolled.
2. Auditions for the fall 2026 semester will take place by September 14, 2026, for a show to be selected in June, 2026.

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- X July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia’s Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ 6500.00	\$6500.00
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	20	25-30

*\*Enter “N/A” if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.*

7. Provide your agency’s mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency’s mission or purpose.  
 CLIPArts’ mission is to show the love of Jesus Christ to children through a no-cost after school performing arts program. CLIPArts is a safe place to learn to interact with others in a positive way by fostering creativity through the performing arts.
8. Briefly describe your agency’s previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.  
 CLIPArts has been offering this program to the community since 2011. We have served 20-50 students each year and produced shows of which children and their families are proud. There have been many “alumni” of the program who go on to participate in performing arts in high school and beyond.
9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).  
 CLIPArts’ target group has always been children who are at-risk and/or are in low-income families. Post-pandemic, we realized that we need to open our registration to all children who need our services. We continue to focus on the need for children to feel safe and accepted along with a place to express themselves.
10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.  
 Does not apply
11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).  
 None



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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Friends of Tulare County

Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: 2026 Child Welfare Services Children's Toy Drive

Agency mailing address: 5957 S. Mooney Blvd

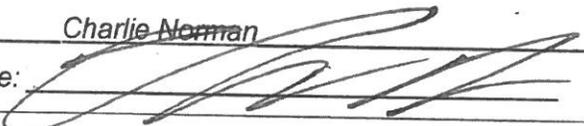
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93277

Phone: 559 624-7487 E-Mail: asavoie@tularecounty.ca.gov

Contact name & title: Alissa Savoie, Staff Service Analyst III & Children's Toy Drive Coordinator

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Friends of Tulare County (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. Friends of Tulare County (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and Friends of Tulare County (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Charlie Norman Title: Vice-President/Secretary

Signature:  Date: 9-5-2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ \$5,000
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

The annual Child Welfare Services (CWS) Children's Toy Drive is a community-based event that provides children in the foster care system with gifts during the holiday season. This grant will allow us to purchase each child in Tulare County Foster Care System that's lives in Visalia with a gift in December 2026. We currently have over 1,300 children in Foster Care in Tulare County, with over 300 that live in Visalia.

These are children and teens that are victims of abuse and neglect, which are removed from their homes and are living with foster parents, relatives, or in a residential facility. These kids undergo the trauma of disruption to their family, it is distressing for children to be apart from family during the holiday season.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Purchase each child in Tulare County Foster Care System with a gift in December 2026. We currently have over 1,300 children in Foster Care in Tulare County, with over 300 that live in Visalia. This grant would help support foster children living within the Visalia city limits.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
The Annual Children's Toy Drive is designed to improve the quality of life for the kids in our foster care program during the holiday season. They are remembered by the people advocating for them during a difficult time in their lives, their Social Workers. Partnerships with community-based organizations continue to grow and new partnerships develop with schools, civic groups, and a variety of clubs. While this specialized campaign has a great emotional effect for our volunteers, foster parents and foster kids, there is no mechanism to measure the impact made by the Annual CWS Children's Toy Drive. We do get a lot of positive stories from Social Workers after they deliver the toys to the Foster Children, validating that these efforts were achieved.	In September 2025 the California State database known as CWS/CMS identified 1,305 children and youth in the foster care system here in Tulare County, 327 live in the City of Visalia. The Toy Drive committee will match close to 1,300 children with a donated gift according to their wish list, ensuring all children get a gift. Outputs can be measured by an ad hoc report from the CWS database. The number of Visalia youth can be identified by this report and the number of gifts distributed to Visalia youth can be confirmed by Social Workers.

**Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.**

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Deliver a wrapped gift to all the children in the foster care system. (this grant will support only foster children living with the Visalia city limits)	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
A crew of volunteers comes together to wrap/label gifts and disperse to the Social Workers to provide to the children in Child Welfare Services.	Outputs can be measured by an ad hoc report from the CWS database. The number of Visalia youth can be identified by this report and the number of gifts distributed to Visalia youth can be confirmed by Social Workers.

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- X July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	<b>Past performance PY 2025*</b>	<b>Proposed PY 2026**</b>
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ N/A	\$ 5,000
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	N/A	

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

Friends of Tulare County (FTC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the safety, health and well-being of all residents of Tulare County. Friends of Tulare County strives to assist underrepresented populations of all ethnicities and cultures through donations, charitable giving and grant funding. The Tulare County Human Services Branch is a committed partner, within our community, in providing hope and encouragement through responsive services to the residents of Tulare County.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

The annual Children Toy Drive has been operating for 18 years. Last year's Toy Drive was a success. We were able to provide close to 1,300 children with a new wrapped toy. 350 Lived within the city of Visalia. We saw an amazing outpour of community support. An annual CWS

Children's Toy Drive planning committee consists of county employees and community partners who volunteer time to attend meetings, support community events, and coordinate the success of the Toy Drive. Resource parents, county employees and residents of Visalia support the toy drive by volunteering their time wrapping gifts for social workers. The coordinators write grants and solicit donations from a variety of organizations to ensure every child receives a gift. They worked tirelessly to ensure the toy drive was a success.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

The served population is children and teens that are victims of abuse and neglect, and are living with foster parents, relatives, or in a residential facility. Children and teens are in the foster care system through no fault of their own. Foster parents receive monetary allowances to aid them with meeting the child(ren)'s needs, but during the holiday season it can be difficult to stretch those allowances to include additional costs for toys and gifts. In addition, many foster homes have multiple foster children and providing more than one or two gifts can be difficult for these families. The Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will support a minimum of 300 youth and teens in out-of-home placements within the city of Visalia.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

N/A

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

There are no issues to report.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

**Program Budget**

PROGRAM INCOME/REVENUE SOURCE	Projected Program Funding for 2026	Status of program funds committed S = Secured P = Pending
Visalia Non-Profit Program Funds	\$5,000.00	P
Donations	\$158.00	S
Fundraising Events		
County Funding (include grant names)		
State Funding (include grant names)		
Private Foundations (include Foundation names)		
Program Fees		
Other: Rollover from previous fiscal year	\$51,993.14	S



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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Kiwanis Club of Visalia (Downtown)  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Nature Immersion Program  
Agency mailing address: P.O. BOX 942  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93290  
Phone: (559) 759-0592 E-Mail: kiwanisvisalia@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: David Hernandez, Board Member

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Kiwanis Club of Visalia (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. Kiwanis Club of Visalia (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and Kiwanis Club of Visalia (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: David Hernandez Title: Board Member  
Signature: David B Hernandez Date: 09/30/2025  
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1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

The grant will be used to fund a field trip for 4th grade kids in the Downtown Visalia elementary schools (Washington, Highland, Conyer, & Houston) to Kaweah Oaks Preserve. The grant is expected to serve 120 students with an approximate age of 9 to 10 years old.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
The planned outcome is to get students out in nature and integrate part of their science curriculum with a related outside activity.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p>Provide the cost of transportation, field trip cost to Kaweah Oaks Preserve, and explorer kits to elementary school students.</p> <p>The field trip consists of a guided tour of Kaweah Oaks Preserve with nature activities where students can interact with nature.</p>	<p>Activities will be measured by the number of students that attend the field trip.</p>

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: October to September

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ 0	\$ 6,500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	0	120

*\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.*

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

Kiwanis' mission is to empower communities to improve the world by making lasting differences in the lives of children.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

Kiwanis has over 100 years of community service. Current projects includes Key Club, Terrific Kids, Character Counts, volunteering, among other services.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

We are targeting lower income schools that may not have as much support for these types of activities.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

This is an old program that stopped during covid. We are planning to start this program again and get students involved in outside activities.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

The club has never had budgetary problems or any debt within the last 5 years.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Yes, the club has reserves in their administration account if needed.



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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Juventud Enriquecimiento Musica y Artes Foundation  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Music and Performaing Arts  
Agency mailing address: 15140 Raynette Court  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93292  
Phone: 559-563-3035 E-Mail: rmacareno@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Raymond Macareno, Board Chair

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of  
JEMA Foundation (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution.  
JEMA Foundation (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on  
the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit  
Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to  
any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and  
JEMA Foundation (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Raymond Macareno Title: Board Chair  
Signature:  Date: 9/29/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6500
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

Our organization is committed to providing youth in our community with access to cultural and performing arts. In 2025, we successfully hosted free Ballet Folklórico classes during the fall and winter seasons. These classes offered students the opportunity to learn traditional dance while fostering pride in their cultural heritage and building self-confidence. In 2026, we hope to continue and expand these efforts by adding free youth guitar classes. Our vision is to begin guitar instruction in the spring through fall, followed by a Ballet Folklórico program in the fall. The community event will serve as a celebration of student achievement, cultural pride, and collective growth. Goal is to serve 200 students

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Host free Ballet Folklórico classes during the fall and winter seasons. These classes offered students the opportunity to learn traditional dance while fostering pride in their cultural heritage and building self-confidence.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Youth Ballet Folklórico  By Age and Grade for Visalia Students	Students will be required to sign-in. Track the number of students and the number of sessions offered to through the program  Parents will be asked to complete a participation form that will show their address. If Visalia, it will be counted toward the program goal. If other than Visalia, the parents can still enroll student if space is available, but will be asked to pay a small fee

**Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.**

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
In 2026, we hope to continue and expand these efforts by adding free youth guitar classes. Our vision is to begin guitar instruction in the spring through fall	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Youth Ballet Folklórico  By Age and Grade for Visalia Students	Students will be required to sign-in. Track the number of students and the number of sessions offered to through the program  Parents will be asked to complete a participation form that will show their address. If Visalia, it will be counted toward the program goal. If other than Visalia, the parents can still enroll student if space is available, but will be asked to pay a small fee

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ 6500	\$ 6500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	180	200

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

MISSION: To enrich our youth through cultural music and arts.  
 Enrichment will be conducted via dance and music classes

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

Instructors have over 20 years experience in dance and instruction/teaching

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

While our program is not designed for a specific demographic of youth, we have found that many parents appreciate having an alternative to sports. For some children who may not excel in athletics, the performing arts provide a meaningful outlet where they can discover new interests, build confidence, and thrive.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

We find that parents are more willing to introduce their children to something new when the program has a low barrier to entry. With this in mind, we hope to offer free youth guitar classes and provide instruments, ensuring that all interested students have the opportunity to participate regardless of financial limitations.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

No budgetary issues. The foundation host cultural events that provider funding to support special projects.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

We would offer one less class, or only one of the three. If less, we would consider how many students can participate with funds available.



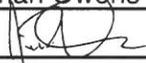
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**Deadline – September 30, 2025, 12:00 PM**

**Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application**

Agency name: OMG Youth Sports and Enrichment  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Thrive360- Visalia  
Agency mailing address: 819 N. Crescent Hts  
City: Los Angeles State: CA Zip Code: 90046  
Phone: 323-314-8593 E-Mail: omgyouthsports@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Jonathan Owens, Executive Director

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of OMG Youth Sports (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. OMG Youth Sports (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and OMG Youth Sports (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Jonathan Owens Title: Executive Director  
Signature:  Date: 09/28/2025

- 1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6500
- 2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

The requested funds will be used to launch Thrive360: Visalia, a prevention-focused program that combines weekly wellness and movement sessions with free community skill clinics and camps. The program will serve approximately 100 Visalia youth ages 8–17 throughout 2026, providing positive alternatives to violence, drug use, and other unhealthy behaviors. Grant funds will cover program supplies, youth incentives, and outreach to ensure accessibility for all participants.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
At least 100 Visalia youth ages 8–17 will participate in Thrive360 and skills clinics, gaining safe, structured alternatives to unhealthy behaviors.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Youth will take part in weekly/ monthly Thrive360 wellness and movement sessions focused on fitness, emotional regulation, and peer support, along with quarterly multisport skill clinics and seasonal camps in basketball, soccer, and track. All activities will be accessible, low-cost or free, and widely advertised to ensure broad participation by Visalia youth ages 8–17.	Attendance will be tracked at each session, clinic, and camp, with sign-in sheets documenting the number of Visalia youth served. Pre- and post-program surveys will measure changes in confidence, physical activity levels, and positive peer connections, while staff will record observations of participation and engagement to assess overall impact.

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Youth participants will show improved confidence, social skills, and healthy decision-making, as measured by pre- and post-program surveys and facilitator observations.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Program staff will lead interactive group exercises, mindfulness and movement sessions, and team-building activities designed to build resilience and social skills. Youth will also engage in guided discussions and reflective journaling to practice healthy decision-making and reinforce positive behavior	Facilitators will use pre- and post-program surveys to track growth in confidence and decision-making skills, while observation checklists and youth journals will be reviewed to measure participation, engagement, and social interaction progress.

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia’s Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ N/A	\$ 6500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	N/A	100

\*Enter “N/A” if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.

\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency’s mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency’s mission or purpose.

Our motto: Inspire. Achieve. Explore. The proposed Thrive360: Visalia program directly supports this mission by using movement, mentorship, and skill-building activities to promote healthy lifestyles, confidence, and resilience among Visalia youth ages 8–17.

8. Briefly describe your agency’s previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

OMG has served underserved and at-risk youth across California through sports, wellness, and enrichment programs that emphasize inclusion and accessibility. Proven models, such as Power of Movement and the Empowerment Hub, have helped youth build confidence, social skills, and resilience.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

Thrive360: Visalia is designed to serve underserved and at-risk youth ages 8–17, including those vulnerable to violence, drug use, and other unhealthy behaviors. Combining movement, mentorship, and wellness activities, the program provides safe, structured outlets that build resilience, promote positive peer connections, and support healthy decision-making.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

Visalia youth face limited access to safe, structured, and affordable programs that provide positive alternatives to violence, substance use, and other unhealthy behaviors.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

N/A

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Yes, the program will operate with partial funding by scaling the number of sessions and clinics offered, though fewer Visalia youth would be reached compared to the full proposal.



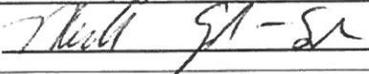
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Deadline – September 30, 2025, 12:00 PM

## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Proteus, Inc.  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Scholarship Funding  
Agency mailing address: 1830 N. Dinuba Blvd.  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93291  
Phone: (559) 733-5423 E-Mail: msilva@proteusinc.org  
Contact name & title: Michelle Engel-Silva, Chief Executive Officer

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Proteus, Inc.  
(Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. Proteus, Inc. (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and Proteus, Inc. (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Michelle Engel-Silva Title: Chief Executive Officer  
Signature:  Date: 9/26/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,000

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
- an ongoing program or activity
- scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.

The requested funds will be directly used to provide City of Visalia area youth with a one-time scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. Youth services to be provided will consist of 6 scholarships for youth ages 18 and under who are entering or attending an accredited institution for the respective academic year in order to assist with the costs/fees associated with their education and/or training.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Proteus, Inc. will provide a one-time scholarship to City of Visalia youth to assist with costs/fees associated with their post-secondary education and/or training.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Provide a one-time scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to local City of Visalia/Visalia Unified School District students.	<p>The metrics and approaches that will be used to effectively measure our scholarship program are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tracking System:</b> Utilize an excel spreadsheet to record and track the number of scholarship applications received and scholarships awarded. These spreadsheets contain program details such as application/scholarship status (i.e., in review, pending, completed) as well as participant contact information.</li> <li>• <b>Proof of City of Visalia Residence, VUSD Attendance, &amp; Demographic Data:</b> Collect proof of age, address, and VUSD attendance to meet program requirements. In addition, collect applicant demographic information (e.g. gender, race, ethnicity, etc.) to assess the diversity and inclusivity of the program.</li> <li>• <b>Application Completion Rate:</b> Track applicants through the entire application process to identify potential barriers or issues and make adjustments and/or improvements to the program based on identified barriers or inefficiencies.</li> <li>• <b>Interview/Selection Rate:</b> Track the number of applicants who are selected for interview and scholarship award to determine the success rate of applicants/program.</li> <li>• <b>Awarded Scholarships:</b> Measure the number of scholarships awarded against the total number of applications received to evaluate the demand/impact of the program.</li> </ul>

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	<b>Past performance PY 2025*</b>	<b>Proposed PY 2026**</b>
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$6,000	\$6,000
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	6	6

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.

\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

The City of Visalia's Non-Profit Grant Program will allow Proteus to continue to advance our fundamental mission "to provide education, workplace training, job placement, and other support services to farm working families and diverse program participants to empower them to achieve self-sufficiency." Self-sufficiency of our customers is a core value shared by all parties involved in our service process, including our organization, partner agencies, and our staff members. This proposed scholarship program for the City of Visalia/Visalia Unified School District youth will provide an additional resource while they pursue their postsecondary and/or training goals that will eventually lead to long-term stable employment and potential self-sufficiency.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

Proteus' current and previous youth programs have primarily provided services for underserved youth, providing them with employment training, counseling, mentoring, gang intervention/mediation, and teenage pregnancy prevention. Proteus, Inc. administers youth programs that include Substance Abuse Prevention Programs funded through the Health and Human Services Agency that provides information, resources, and referrals relating to mental health. In addition, Proteus, Inc. provides Title I-B Youth In-and-Out of School programs funded through various Local Workforce Development Boards and youth employment and training programs funded by the Department of Labor's National Farmworker Jobs Program. Furthermore, Proteus, Inc. operates and creates special programs such as those referenced that include Summer Night Lights funded through the Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency and the previous and current Successful Readers Book Program, Employment and Safety Net Resources, and London Youth Art Program funded via United Way of Tulare County. The years of experience working with underserved at-risk youth from rural impoverished communities gives us particular strength in addressing the needs of the youth population.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

This proposed program is designed to provide services in the form of scholarships to City of Visalia/Visalia Unified School District youth. Many of these youth customers experience socioeconomic disparities and are some of the most economically disadvantaged due to barriers that include families with high unemployment rates, poverty, limited education, limited English proficiency, and lack of transportation. Our overall goals for low-income youth programs are to minimize dropout rates in school, reduce the attachment to gangs through engagement in alternative activities, and providing them with employment and training services/opportunities.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

Proteus is not seeking seed funding to start a new program or activity. Proteus is requesting Non-Profit Grant Program funding to provide a one-time scholarship to City of Visalia/Visalia Unified School District youth to assist with costs/fees associated with their post-secondary education and/or training. This additional economic support will assist youth with additional support to continue to attend and complete their educational and/or training goals that can lead to a career or stable employment.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

N/A.



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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Riding for a Reason  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Continuing program  
Agency mailing address: 2046 E Goshen Ave  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93292  
Phone: 559 380 5633 E-Mail: Riding4aReason.info@yahoo.com  
Contact name & title: Kimberley Burk - Founder/Administrator

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Riding for a Reason (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution.  
Riding for a Reason (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and  
Riding for a Reason (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.  
Name: Kimberley Burk Title: Administrator  
Signature: Kimberley Burk Date: 9/9/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500.00

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025  
 an ongoing program or activity  
 scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

Riding for a Reason helps families who have a member who is receiving treatment for a major illness. When children are ill, parents miss work and can't afford to pay for transport to treatments, hotels near hospitals, auto repairs. These funds will be used to help them. 15 families with youth ages 6-18 were helped last year.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Provide transportation, housing and food funding to help families traveling to obtain medical treatment	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Transportation Fuel Repairs Housing Hotels Home Food While traveling For family at home while patient is traveling	Activities will be measured by how much is spent to help families with immediate needs and how many families are helped. Needs met will be listed as they occur.

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

January through December

July through June

Other: June through May

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
Non-Profit Program Funding	\$ 0	\$ 6,500
Number of Visalia Youth Served	60	100 +

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.

\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

It is the mission of Riding for a Reason to help families affected by a major illness to obtain resources necessary to focus on treatment of the disease.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

We provide funding for families to travel to medical treatment, obtain auto repairs, buy food during trips to hospitals outside the area, etc.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

Our program helps families who have a member of the family with a serious illness. We meet their needs by providing funding to help, but also services like auto repair, rides to appointments, etc.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

N/A

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

None

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Yes, we would be able to provide less assistance to families with a very real need.



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**Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application**

Agency name: South Valley Water Polo Club DBA: South Valley Aquatics (SOVA)

Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Youth Aquatics

Agency mailing address: 820 N Willis Street

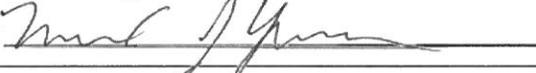
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93291

Phone: 559-786-4453 Email: myenigues@gmail.com

Contact name & title: Michael Yenigues, Director

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of **South Valley Aquatics** (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. **South Valley Aquatics** (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and **South Valley Aquatics** (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Michael Yenigues Title: Director

Signature:  Date: 9/29/2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500.00

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
- an ongoing program or activity
- scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

We intend to continue our learn to swim and water polo clinics for ages 5 years old to 18. We have added Youth Diving to our aquatics program and we intend to offer diving clinics to interest local youth in becoming competitive divers. Our target is to reach a minimum of 120 local youth to engage in our free aquatics clinics and maintain operational capacity to support youth who choose to continue pursuing aquatics activities.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Our planned outcome is to gain clinic participation for at least 120 local youth ages 5 to 18 in learn-to-swim, water polo and/or diving with the intent to convert these youth participants to engage in ongoing aquatics participation.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Free Clinics:  Learn-to-swim Water Polo / Splash Ball Diving	Attendance

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Ongoing participation in aquatics activities	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Club Swim Club Water Polo Club Dive Splash Ball	Attendees from clinics will be tracked to see who pursues ongoing participation in aquatics activities.  Interested clinic attendees who qualify will be offered scholarships that are funded by SOVA independent of COV Non-Profit Program Fund Grant

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia’s Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	108	85

*\*Enter “N/A” if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.*

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

NA

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

NA

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

NA

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Partial funding decreases our ability to rent facilities for, and provide staff for clinics, It also decreases our ability to promote and communicate to potential local youth participants. Partial funding decreases our ability to plan and host clinics.



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**Deadline – September 30, 2025, 12:00 PM**

**Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application**

Agency name: Tulare County Child Abuse Prevention Council  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Child Abuse Prevention Kick-Off  
Agency mailing address: P.O. Box 1062  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93279  
Phone: 559-735-0456 E-Mail: beth@tularecountycapc.org  
Contact name & title: Beth Wilshire, Executive Director

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of TC Child Abuse Prevention Council (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. TC CAPC (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and TC CAPC (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.  
Name: Beth Wilshire Title: Executive Director  
Signature: Beth Wilshire Date: 9/29/25

- 1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500
- 2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

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The Tulare County Child Abuse Prevention Council seeks \$6,500 to support the 2026 Child Abuse Prevention Month Kick-Off: Play with a Purpose event. Funding will provide free indoor soccer Camp at the 1852 for approximately 30–50 Visalia youth, ages 6–18, along with mentorship from trusted community leaders and college athletes. This program creates a safe, structured environment that promotes resilience, positive role models, and family engagement.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Visalia youth will have access to safe, structured recreational opportunities that build resilience, foster mentorship, and reduce exposure to unhealthy behaviors.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Provide free indoor soccer skills training, mentorship from college athletes and community leaders, and structured matches at the 1852 Soccer City facility.	Track attendance of 30–50 youth ages 6–18; collect pre-registration and post-event surveys measuring youth confidence, teamwork, and sense of safety; gather mentorship feedback or the outcomes.

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia’s Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
Non-Profit Program Funding	\$ N/A	\$ 6,500
Number of Visalia Youth Served	N/A	30-50

\*Enter “N/A” if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency’s mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency’s mission or purpose.

**The mission of the Tulare County Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) is to prevent child abuse and neglect through education, awareness, and community partnerships that strengthen families and protect children. This program directly aligns with CAPC’s mission by providing protective experiences for Visalia youth, reducing risk factors such as exposure to violence, lack of supervision, and limited access to positive role models.**

8. Briefly describe your agency’s previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

**For more than 30 years, CAPC has organized impactful, prevention-focused programs and events that engage Visalia youth and families. These include *The Lisa Project* immersive exhibit for high school students, the *March on Main* community event (now re-envisioned as the Tulare County Child Abuse Prevention Kick-Off: *Play with a Purpose*), and multiple Child Abuse Prevention Month awareness activities. Each effort is designed to bring youth and families together in safe, positive spaces while raising awareness about prevention and strengthening community connections. CAPC partners closely with Visalia schools, community mentors, and local leaders to ensure programs are accessible, trauma-informed, and responsive to the unique needs of youth and families in Visalia.**

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

**The Tulare County Child Abuse Prevention Kick-Off Event: *Play with a Purpose Soccer Camp* will serve youth ages 6–18 from across Visalia, with a special focus on children from underserved schools and neighborhoods in North Visalia, such as Highland and Houston Elementary. Many of these youth face barriers to participating in safe, structured recreation due to financial hardship, limited extracurricular options, or neighborhood risk factors. By offering a free, one-day Soccer Camp, the event ensures that all children, especially those in underserved communities, have the opportunity to play, build skills, and connect with trusted mentors in a safe and supportive environment.**

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

**Families have limited access to affordable or free structured sports and safe recreational opportunities. For many children, participating in an organized camp is out of reach due to cost or transportation barriers. The Tulare County Child Abuse Prevention Kick-Off Event: *Play with a Purpose* Soccer Camp addresses that gap by removing financial obstacles and creating a safe space where youth can build skills, connect with mentors, and families can access child abuse prevention resources—all in one day.**

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

**N/A**

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

**Yes, the program would still operate, but with reduced scale. A smaller award would mean fewer youths being served and reduced purchases of gear needed. Mentorship and free play opportunities would remain a priority.**



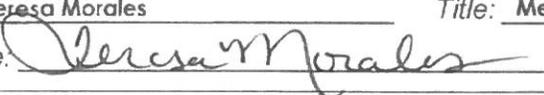
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**Deadline – September 30, 2025, 12:00 PM**

## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Tulare County Association of REALTORS® Chairitable Foundation  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Back to School Support Program  
Agency mailing address: 2424 E. Valley Oaks Dr.  
City: Visalia State: California Zip Code: 93292  
Phone: 559-627-1776 E-Mail: teresa@tularecountyrealtors.com  
Contact name & title: Teresa Morales - Membership Director

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of  
Tulare County Association of REALTORS® Chairitable Foundation (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution.  
Tulare County Association of REALTORS® Chairitable Foundation (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on  
the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit  
Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to  
any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and  
Tulare County Association of REALTORS® Chairitable Foundation (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Teresa Morales Title: Membership Director  
Signature:  Date: 09/29/2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500.00
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

TCAOR charitable foundation will use the funds to support youth by providing back-to-school essentials such as shoes, backpacks, and vital learning resources. These supplies will help ensure that students are prepared, confident, and equipped to succeed in the classroom. By reducing financial barriers, the program promotes equal opportunities for all youth to thrive academically.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Youth will start the school year prepared and confident with the supplies they need to succeed academically.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Distribute new shoes, backpacks, and school resources during a back-to-school event; provide families with information on additional community support services; and create an engaging, supportive environment that encourages excitement for the upcoming school year.	The activities will be measured by tracking the number of youth who receive shoes, backpacks, and resources, as well as collecting feedback from families on the impact of the support.

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
Non-Profit Program Funding	\$ N/A	\$ 6,500
Number of Visalia Youth Served	200	200

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

Mission Statement  
 "The Tulare County Association of Realtors Charitable Foundation is dedicated to strengthening our community through compassion, service, and collaboration. We provide assistance to individuals and families in need, award scholarships to empower local youth, and partner with nonprofits to support meaningful fundraising efforts that create lasting impact across Tulare County."

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

In previous years, the program has successfully provided hundreds of local youth with backpacks, shoes, socks and school supplies, ensuring they were prepared for the new school year. Families also benefited from free dental screenings, haircuts, and access to valuable community resources, creating a well-rounded support system. These efforts not only met immediate needs but also fostered confidence and excitement for students returning to school.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

The program serves youth and families in Visalia who face financial barriers to accessing school essentials. By providing shoes, backpacks, supplies, and supportive services, it helps students feel prepared, confident, and ready to succeed in school.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

With the struggling economy, our resources have been limited, reducing the number of children we can serve. Additional funds would allow us to reach more youth, expand the support we provide, and create a greater positive impact on the community.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

Limited funds on hand prevent us from helping more children with back to school supplies.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Yes, the program would still operate if only partially funded, but with a reduced scope. A smaller award would limit the number of children served and the amount of supplies and services we could provide, slightly diminishing the overall impact on the community. Even with partial funding, however, we would continue to ensure that participating youth receive essential support to start the school year prepared.



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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Tulare-Kings Resources for Life

Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Educational

Agency mailing address: PO Box 3531

City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93277

Phone: 559-732-5000 E-Mail: director@tkrl.org

Contact name & title: Ann Marie Paden, Executive Director

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of *Tulare-Kings Resources for Life (Grantee agency)*, as specified in the attached Board Resolution. *Tulare-Kings Resources for Life (Grantee agency)* acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and *Tulare-Kings Resources for Life*

Name: Ann Marie Paden Title: Executive Director

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 09/30/2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$75,000

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025

an ongoing program or activity

scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

Life(360)! is a Virtual Reality program that will allow students, 2-12 grades, to be IN THE WOMB to watch a baby develop from conception. This high-tech experience is supplemental curriculum and TKRL will take this to public and private schools to share this curriculum/ VR Experience to the students of the central valley. The cost for the programming is \$1,000,000. Any grant money will help toward this endeavor.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Education: A school requests a presentation from Tulare-Kings Resources for Life. (Presentations are age appropriate with curriculum from Pre-school through high school age students)	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p>A medical professional with a curriculum enters the classroom, with a 30–40-minute presentation.</p> <p>Once completed, students are issued a Apple Pro Headset with the Virtual reality program to watch the baby develop in the womb, through all 9 months.</p>	<p>TKRL keeps records of the number of classrooms that have requested presentations.</p> <p>The number of students who can utilize VR Technology will be logged for our records.</p>

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

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5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ N/A	\$6,500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	N/A	4000+

*\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.*

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose. TKRL empowers people through Education programs and tangible resources that reveal the value of human life from conception to natural death. We further the cause by restoring the true science of life, imparting those facts professionally and compassionately. We ignite people to effectively be a voice in the community, and a force that mobilizes individuals to defend the sanctity of Life. The VR Technology will be utilized in our Education Programs benefiting students across the Central Valley.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth. TKRL has been offering presentations locally for over 35 years. In the last two years we have an increased presence in the local and private school sector. We have entered 9 different classrooms in the last year.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).  
All students can utilize the knowledge of fetal development, and this VR Technology will be the conclusion of every presentation and classroom curriculum.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap. N/A

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits). **N/A**

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

**Program Budget**

PROGRAM INCOME/REVENUE SOURCE	Projected Program Funding for 2026	Status of program funds committed S = Secured P = Pending
Visalia Non-Profit Program Funds		P
Donations	\$250,000	S
Fundraising Events	\$300,000	P
County Funding (include grant names)	N/A	
State Funding (include grant names)	N/A	
Private Foundations (include Foundation names)	N/A	
Program Fees	N/A	
Other:		
<b>Total Program Revenue:</b>	\$550,000	P

PROGRAM EXPENSES	Amount to be charged to this grant	Amount to be charged to other sources
<b>Total Program Expenses:</b>		

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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Unity Transitional Housing

Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: children's necessities & activities

Agency mailing address: 3200 S. Fairway St., Suite A

City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93277

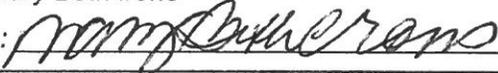
Phone: 559-809-4409 E-Mail: mbunitythp@gmail.com

Contact name & title: Mary Beth Irons, Administrator/Program Manager

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Unity Transitional Housing (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. Unity Transitional Housing (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and Unity Transitional Housing(Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Mary Beth Irons

Title: Administrator/Program Manager

Signature: 

Date: 9/23/2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$6,500
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships
3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.

*We currently have 5 participants, who are Visalia youth, in our program who are parents to children. We would use this money to provide for the children ( cribs, toddler beds, car seats, strollers, clothing, diapers, medication)*  
*We will also provide fees for sports or community activities as well as educational field trips and extracurricular activities that will help the children improve their social skills and offer them the opportunity to have positive experiences that they wouldn't otherwise be able to experience.*

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Provide necessities, transportation to appointments, enrollment in sports/community classes and extracurricular activities to the children in our care/program.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p><i>Provide necessities for children in our program. (beds, carseats, strollers, clothing, medication, diapers, etc)</i></p> <p><i>Provide transportation to appointments (Family Healthcare Network, Visalia) Ensure that children are receiving the proper dental, vision, medical care (as well as mental health if needed)</i></p> <p><i>Enroll children in sports/community classes through the City of Visalia.</i></p> <p><i>Field trips for children (TCOE Planetarium, Vossler Farms pumpkin patch, ImagineU Children's Museum, outdoor movie nights)</i></p> <p><i>Assistance with birthday parties (Mooneys Grove, Adventure Park, ImagineU Children's Museum, Build a Bear)</i></p>	<p><i>Participants in our program meet with their assigned life coach, at a minimum of two times per month. The life coach tracks each participant's progress with contact logs maintained in each participant's file. Participants are also required to meet with their assigned UnitySocial Worker once a month. The Social Workers also track their progress through contact logs which are also maintained in the participant's file.</i></p>

**Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.**

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

January through December

July through June

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$N/A	\$ \$6,500.00
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	5 - 8	6 - 9

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.

\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

*Unity's mission is to provide safe housing, supportive services, and life skills training to ease the transition from dependency to self-sufficiency and prepare them for adulthood. Our "proposed" program is something that we are already practicing. We are on a mission to help Visalia youth "break the cycle" of abuse, neglect, homelessness, drug/alcohol abuse that all of our participants have experienced.*

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth. *Although Unity is a newly formed transitional housing program, my colleague, Noe Lara, and myself have over 20 years experience in working with Visalia youth. We have maintained contact with 90 % of the youth that we have worked with in our program, as a part of our "after care", and we are happy to report that a significant amount (80%) of these youth have experienced great success in their lives, securing stable jobs and permanent housing.*

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population). *The participants in our program come from the foster care system or probation. All of the youth have experienced at least one of the following: homelessness, disabilities, teen pregnancy, substance/alcohol abuse, gang involvement, and being part of the juvenile justice system. We are working diligently with our youth, to break these patterns and cycles.*



Employee benefits		\$ 32,000.00
Insurance (liability, workers comp, D & O)		\$ 15,500.00
Vehicles expense (staff gas, vehicle maintenance)		\$ 11,000.00
Client transportation ( gas, AAA cards, DMV fees)		\$ 6,800.00
Client repairs & maintenance		\$ 4,000.00
Client activities	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Office supplies		\$ 1,600.00
Client clothing		\$ 1,500.00
Client medication / first aid		\$ 1,000.00
Office supplies		
<b>Total Program Expenses:</b>	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 610,000.00

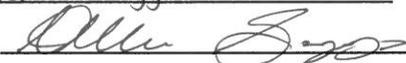
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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: Visalia Little League Youth Baseball Inc  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Youth Sports  
Agency mailing address: 4125 W Noble Ave Num 103  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93277  
Phone: (559) 455-3023 E-Mail: allen.suggs.vll@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Allen Suggs - President

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of  
Visalia Little League (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution.  
Visalia Little League (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on  
the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit  
Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to  
any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and  
Visalia Little League (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Allen Suggs Title: President  
Signature:  Date: 09-29-2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
- an ongoing program or activity
- scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

If granted the \$6,500 we would have the ability to find 20 Children that would otherwise be unable to play baseball. \$ 242 Per Child would purchase the necessary equipment and \$83 would go towards discounted registration fees.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Have more children join us playing baseball that couldn't before due to household financial situations. Get children in our data center so we can prepare for following years to help.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Team practices 2-3 days per week including 2 games at the CR Shannon Sports Complex. We will measure success by watching the games. We see the children develop skills over the season, like better hand-eye coordination. The children also make life long friends and make lasting memories.	Every year we help as many children as we can, the most lighthearted kids to watch are the ones that have never played before get their first hit or catch their first pop fly. The smiles and joy on their faces imminates through the spectators, I would say measure the success would be the player understanding the sport and how to work as a team and individual success would be their first hit.

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ N/A	\$ 6,500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	5330	400+

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.

\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

- 7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.
- 8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.
- 9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).
- 10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.
- 11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).
- 12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?



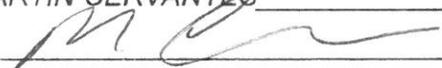
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## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: VISALIA YOUTH ATHLETICS DBA GOSHEN BEARS YOUTH FOOTBALL  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: YOUTH SPORTS  
Agency mailing address: 6234 W ELOWIN AVE  
City: VISALIA State: CA Zip Code: 93291  
Phone: 559-656-4540 E-Mail: BEARSGOSHEN@GMAIL.COM  
Contact name & title: MARTIN CERVANTES / PRESIDENT

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of VISALIA YOUTH ATHLETICS (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. VISALIA YOUTH ATHLETICS (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and VISALIA YOUTH ATHLETICS (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: MARTIN CERVANTES Title: PRESIDENT  
Signature:  Date: 9/30/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
- an ongoing program or activity
- scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

Our mission is to support and uplift underserved and at-risk youth in the City of Visalia by removing financial barriers to participation in organized sports. This funding will directly assist with registration fees for over 80 local athletes, ensuring they have access to structured mentorship, team culture, and positive outlets that promote discipline, resilience, and community pride.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Provide financial scholarships to at least 80 troubled youth ages 8–14 in the City of Visalia, removing cost barriers to participation in organized sports and fostering discipline, mentorship, and community engagement.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<p>Award 80 scholarships ranging from \$50 to \$100 per athlete, based on age division and gear needs, using a total fund of \$6,500.</p> <p>Facilitate team-building workshops and mentorship sessions focused on accountability, leadership, and personal growth.</p>	<p>Maintain a scholarship distribution log with athlete names, ages, award amounts, and registration status.</p> <p>Track attendance, engagement, and behavioral progress through coach evaluations and parent feedback.</p>

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Equip Goshen Bears athletes ages 8–14 with age-appropriate training equipment to improve skill development, conditioning, and injury prevention. This investment will enhance practice quality, support coach-led development, and ensure equitable access to safe, effective training tools for Visalia youth	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchase and deploy training equipment</li> </ul> <p>Acquire essential gear such as agility ladders, tackling dummies, cones, resistance bands, and blocking pads tailored to each age division and sport-specific need.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrate equipment into weekly practices and clinics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inventory tracking</li> </ul> <p>Maintain a log of equipment purchased, assigned to teams, and condition status (new, in use, retired).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Usage documentation</li> </ul> <p>Coaches will submit monthly reports noting equipment used, frequency, and observed athlete progress.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skill development metrics</li> </ul>

<p>Coaches will use equipment in structured drills focused on speed, coordination, strength, and technique.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Train coaching staff on safe and effective equipment use</li> </ul> <p>Conduct brief onboarding sessions to ensure consistent, safe deployment across all teams.</p>	<p>Track improvements in agility, strength, and technique through coach evaluations and periodic skill assessments.</p>
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5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$N/A	\$6500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	N/A	MIN 80

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

*Visalia Youth Athletics and SLYF exist to provide safe, structured sports opportunities that build discipline, teamwork, and personal growth—especially for troubled youth. This program directly supports our mission by using \$6,500 in scholarships to help at least 80 Visalia youth ages 8–14 access organized football, mentorship, and a positive team environment. Activities include identifying eligible youth, distributing scholarships, and tracking engagement through attendance, coach feedback, and parent surveys.*

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

*The Goshen Bears have built a legacy of transforming Visalia youth into disciplined, high-performing athletes both on and off the field. As a community rooted program, we've consistently provided structured, supervised, and inclusive athletic opportunities for local youth, many of whom go on to thrive in high school sports and academics. Our approach blends mentorship, skill development, and team culture, creating an environment where young athletes build confidence, resilience, and leadership.*

*Over the years, we've seen firsthand how participation in the Goshen Bears program shapes character and sets a foundation for future success. Former players have become standout high school athletes, honor roll students, and role models in their communities. Our commitment to safety, fairness, and transparent communication with families has earned us a spotless record with the City of Visalia and strong trust among parents and educators. The Goshen Bears aren't just a youth football team, they're a launchpad for lifelong growth.*

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

*The Goshen Bears program serves at-risk youth in Visalia, including those exposed to gang involvement, unstable home environments, and limited access to positive mentorship. We've seen firsthand how the program changes lives by replacing harmful surroundings with a team-centered, family-oriented culture. Through consistent structure, accountability, and peer support, young athletes build trust, discipline, and a sense of belonging—often for the first time. Several participants have entered the program while navigating gang pressures or behavioral challenges, and have emerged as focused, respectful teammates who thrive in high school sports and academics. The Goshen Bears offer more than football—they offer a safe, supervised space where youth are surrounded by role models, clear expectations, and a community that believes in their potential.*

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

N/A

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

*As a newly established non-profit, the Visalia Youth Athletics DBA Goshen Bears have not experienced any financial or budgetary problems, deficits, or debt. Our operations are carefully planned and executed with full transparency, community support, and fiscal discipline. We utilize QuickBooks to manage our finances, ensuring accurate tracking, reporting, and accountability across all expenditures. While we are in the early stages of growth, we remain committed to maintaining a strong financial foundation as we expand services for Visalia youth.*

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Yes, the Goshen Bears program will continue to operate effectively even if the desired grant amount is only partially funded. We are committed to serving Visalia youth and have built a flexible, resource-conscious model that prioritizes safety, supervision, and impact. A partial award would require us to scale back certain enhancements such as equipment/gear upgrades but the core program would remain intact. We would adjust timelines, seek additional community support, and reallocate resources to ensure that youth still receive structured, team-based mentorship and athletic development. While full funding would accelerate growth and deepen impact, a partial award would still allow us to deliver meaningful outcomes and maintain our commitment to transparency, supervision, and long-term youth success.

**Program Budget**

<b>PROGRAM INCOME/REVENUE SOURCE</b>	<b>Projected Program Funding for 2026</b>	<b>Status of program funds committed</b> S = Secured P = Pending
Visalia Non-Profit Program Funds	\$6500	
Donations	\$0	
Fundraising Events	\$15000	
County Funding (include grant names)	\$0	
State Funding (include grant names)	\$0	
Private Foundations (include Foundation names)	\$0	
Program Fees	\$17000	
Other: Concessions	\$10000	
<b>Total Program Revenue:</b>	<b>\$48,500</b>	

<b>PROGRAM EXPENSES</b>	<b>Amount to be charged to this grant</b>	<b>Amount to be charged to other sources</b>
Uniforms and apparel	\$25000	
Facility use	\$10000	
Equipment	\$10000	
Concession Food	\$3000	
<b>Total Program Expenses:</b>	<b>\$48000</b>	

Submit completed applications and required attachments to:  
Ruth.Pena@visalia.city

Deadline – September 30, 2025, 12:00 PM

## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: WFO Foundation  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Youth Leadership & Empowerment Program  
Agency mailing address: 1327 S Rio Linda Ct  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93292  
Phone: (559) 334-7921 E-Mail: foundationwfo@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Sosa Wences - Executive Director

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of  
WFO Foundation (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution.  
WFO Foundation (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on  
the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit  
Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to  
any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and  
WFO Foundation (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Sosa Wences Title: Executive Director  
Signature:  Date: 09/29/25

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ \$6,500
2. The funding requested is for (select one):
  - a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
  - an ongoing program or activity
  - scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

The WFO Foundation will use Visalia's Non-Profit Program Fund to launch the Youth Leadership & Empowerment Program, serving 75-100 youth (aged 12-18) with school supply kits and identity building resources such as string/tote bags, notebooks, and t-shirts. The program will feature leadership workshops focused on confidence, decision-making, and community pride, with occasional guests from groups like UFW, CNA, CRLA, and local arts organizations. Together, these resources and connections will give youth both practical support and exposure to real-world leaders who reflect their communities and future possibilities.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure** success. *If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship.* Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
At least 75-100 Visalia youth will gain increased confidence and leadership skills through access to resources and empowerment workshops.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
WFO will distribute school supply kits and identity building items (string/tote bags, notebooks, shirts) to 75-100 youth, and host at least 3 leadership workshops featuring community mentors and occasional guest speakers from groups such as UFW, CNA, CRLA, and local arts organizations.	Success will be measured by distribution logs for supplies, attendance records at workshops, number of guest presenters engaged, and post-program surveys where at least 70% of participants report improved confidence in making positive life choices and awareness of local resources.

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

- January through December
- July through June
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia's Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$ N/A	\$ 6,500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	N/A	75-100

\*Enter "N/A" if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
 \*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.

7. Provide your agency's mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency's mission or purpose.

The mission of the WFO Foundation ( With You, For You, Of You) is to uplift Central Valley Families through aid, empowerment, and community partnerships. The Youth Leadership & Empowerment Program fulfills this mission by giving Visalia youth resources, mentorship, and leadership skills to thrive.

8. Briefly describe your agency's previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

The WFO Foundation is a new nonprofit with deep community roots in Visalia. While this is our first formal youth program, our leadership has lived experience with the same challenges faced by local youth and has begun outreach at community events such as the Visalia Summer Festival. Through partnerships with groups like UFW, CRLA, etc., WFO is well positioned to launch this pilot program to serve 75-100 Visalia youth.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

This program will serve 75-100 Visalia youth ages 12-18 from low-income and immigrant families. Many face barriers such as housing insecurity, exposure to gang activity, and limited access to positive mentorship. WFO will address these needs by providing school supply kits, identity-building resources, and leadership workshops that build confidence, highlight healthy alternatives, and connect youth directly with community role models.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

As a newly established nonprofit, the WFO Foundation is building its first structured youth program in Visalia. Seed funding is needed to cover essential startup costs such as supplies, workshop materials, and outreach so we can launch the program in 2026. This initial support will allow WFO to demonstrate impact, strengthen partnerships, and lay groundwork for expanding services to more Visalia youth in future years.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

As a newly established nonprofit, WFO Foundation does not carry any debts or financial liabilities. Our current challenge is limited startup funding, which is why this seed support is critical to launch our first youth program. With funding from Visalia, we are confident in our ability to deliver services to 75-100 youth.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

If only a partial funding is awarded, WFO Foundation will adjust the program by serving fewer youth or scaling down the number of workshops. For example, \$3000 in funding would allow us to serve up to 50 youth with supply kits and hold 1-2 workshops instead of three. Even at a reduced scale, the program would still provide meaningful resources and leadership development opportunities

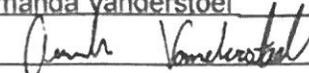


## Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund Application

Agency name: YoungLives of Tulare County  
Specific Program or Service for which funding is requested: Teenage Parenting Lunch Club, Mentor Connection and Family Focused Activities  
Agency mailing address: P.O. Box 7433  
City: Visalia State: CA Zip Code: 93290  
Phone: 559-786-1006 E-Mail: amandavanderstoel@gmail.com  
Contact name & title: Amanda Vanderstoel, Area Director

Certification: I am authorized to sign this grant application on behalf of Young/Lives of Tulare County (Grantee agency), as specified in the attached Board Resolution. Young/Lives of Tulare County (Grantee agency) acknowledges that among the conditions placed on the grant by the City of Visalia are the following: (1) no funds received from the City of Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund will be used for any religious purpose, and (2) the program supported will be available to any person regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation, and Young/Lives of Tulare County (Grantee agency) agrees to comply with such conditions.

Name: Amanda Vanderstoel Title: Area Director

Signature:  Date: 9/24/2025

1. Amount requested in this application: \$ 6,500

2. The funding requested is for (select one):

- a new program or activity to be started during program year 2025
- an ongoing program or activity
- scholarships

3. In 2-3 sentences, briefly describe the specific intended use of the Visalia Non-Profit Program Fund grant requested by the agency. *Include age and number of Visalia youth to be served.*

Funds from the grant will be used to sustain a teen parent focused lunch club parenting education program which is a non-religious activity that meets at three Visalia Unified High Schools. Included in this program will be community resource awareness, parent-child activities, mentorship, and group support. Approximately 40 students will be served in the Visalia Unified School District with ages ranging from 14 to 18 years of age.

4. Provide at least one (1) planned **outcome**, the associated planned **activities**, and how you will **measure success**. If requesting funds for scholarships, provide the number and dollar amount/range of each scholarship. Outcomes must be specific to **this application**. Please note that these outcomes as well as the number of Visalia youth served through this grant must be tracked and reported semi-annually.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
Adolescent parents feel isolated and tend to withdraw as the challenges with a new child can be overwhelming. The Lunch Club brings them together with adult leaders who offer resources, support, community and hope, focusing on their lives, education, and parenting skills.	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>
Parenting Education	Gather Participant Feedback Each Semester
Participation Incentives	Sign in Roster
Parent-Child Activities	Sign in Roster
Teen Parent Activities	Sign in Roster
Mentor and Teen Parent Meetings	Mentor Report Log

Complete additional tables if you have more than one planned outcome specific to this grant.

<b>Program Outcome:</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>How will activities be measured?</b>

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5. Please indicate the type of fiscal year used by your agency:

January through December

July through June

Other: October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026

6. Please complete the following table to show previous and planned funding and number of youth served specific to the City of Visalia’s Non-Profit Program grant.

	Past performance PY 2025*	Proposed PY 2026**
<b>Non-Profit Program Funding</b>	\$6,500	\$6,500
<b>Number of Visalia Youth Served</b>	38	40

*\*Enter “N/A” if your agency did not have a Non-Profit Program grant from the City of Visalia in PY 2025.  
\*\*Proposed column must be completed by all applicants.*

7. Provide your agency’s mission or purpose statement. Include how your proposed program relates to your agency’s mission or purpose.

Young Life’s mission statement: Introducing adolescents to Jesus Christ and help them grow in their faith.

Young Life’s vision statement: Together, we are compelled to model the way of Jesus in the lives of young people, to develop as leaders, to inspire others and to go as a diverse community on mission – resulting in more adolescents known by name and for who they truly are, in more kids knowing Jesus and in young people knowing their Kingdom purpose.

YoungLives will seek to provide adult mentors for adolescent parents. Mentors will build trusting relationships with the young parents that they would feel known and supported. Volunteers will provide education and activities promoting healthy parenting and relationship skills. Every young parent will find confidence to fulfill their purpose as parent resulting in positive mental and emotional outcomes for both parent and child.

8. Briefly describe your agency’s previous experience and success in providing youth services specifically for Visalia youth.

YoungLives Tulare County has been providing mentors for teenage mothers, and including the fathers of their children, since 1991. In that time, hundreds of young parents developed lifelong friendships with their mentors. A survey completed by YoungLives moms indicated that their involvement increased their desire for educational attainment and college aspirations, connection with a supportive community, a sense of hope, meaning, and purpose.

Anecdotal evidence in Tulare County has shown that young fathers who participate in gatherings with their leaders and peers were more engaged with their children. These young fathers have remained in the lives of their children regardless of their relational status with the mother.

9. If your proposed program is designed to serve a specific population, please describe the population and how the proposed program addresses their unique needs (e.g., those involved in the juvenile justice system, gang involvement, teen pregnancy, individuals with disabilities, homeless youth, substance/alcohol abuse, or other population).

This program will serve teenage parents at three Visalia Unified High Schools. Statistically, a high percentage come from under-resourced homes, are gang associated, or at risk of gang involvement. Parenting education emphasizes to teen parents the impact of their choices on the success of their children. The desire to be good parents is almost universal which enables us to reach this demographic. Currently, there is limited access to parenting education and healthy adult mentorship for teenage parents. Education and developing strong social connections will foster healthy family relationships, reduce the potential for child abuse, and increase parental confidence.

10. If requesting seed funding to start a new program or activity, please describe the need or gap you propose to address and how the proposed program will meet this need/gap.

The lunch club program is not a new program.

11. Describe any agency financial or budgetary problems or debt within the last 5 years (including annual budget deficits).

Young Life/YoungLives Tulare County has not had any financial or budget deficits.

12. Will the program have sufficient resources to operate if the desired grant amount is only partially funded? How would a partially funded award affect your program outcomes?

Funds will be requested from other sources if the grant is not received. In the event funding is not provided by other grants, business or individual contributions, activities will be reduced, but the lunch club program will remain intact.

