City of Los Angeles
Office of the City Clerk
Neighborhood Council Funding Program

Neighborhood Purposes Grants

Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPGs) provide NCs opportunities to develop partnerships with local 501(c)(3) nonprofits and public schools to build community and enhance neighborhoods in the City of Los Angeles. Projects and activities supported by NPGs vary widely and can include, but are not limited to:

- The Arts
- Beautification
- Community Support
- Education
- Community Improvements

NPG-funded projects and activities must be for a ***public benefit*** and purpose, **open**, ***accessible***, and ***free of charge*** to stakeholders.

Grants approved by NCs exceeding $5,000 involve further review and possible City contract by the Office of the City Clerk.

Visit the NC Funding Program website page on NPGs (click here) to find out more details about how 501(c)(3) nonprofits and public schools serving NC areas can apply. There are two NPG Information Packets; One for prospective applicants to help guide them in the application process, and one for NC board members outlining considerations and factors to keep in mind while evaluating NPG requests.

A "Project Completion Report" template is also provided to help ensure accountability in the use of Grant funds and help demonstrate how NCs and their partners are supporting L.A. communities and stakeholders. NCs and NPG recipients are strongly encouraged to work together to complete and submit the Report at the conclusion of the project.

Any questions you may have with the NPG process, please contact us at the NC Funding Program:

- Clerk.NCFunding@lacity.org
- (213) 978-1058

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APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)

This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Vermont Knolls Neighborhood Council

SECTION I- APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a)

Organization Name	Federal I.D. # (EIN#)	State of Incorporation	Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)
Youth Mentoring Connection	954845105	CA	4/23/2001

1b)

Organization Mailing Address	City	State	Zip Code
8407 S. Vermont Ave	Los Angeles	CA	90044

1c)

Business Address (If different)	City	State	Zip Code

1d) *PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:*

Name	Phone	Email
Kathline Moessner	323-648-8548	kathline@youthmentoring.org

2) Type of Organization- Please select one:

☐ Public School *(not to include private schools)* **Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead**

or

☑ 501(c)(3) Non-Profit *(other than religious institutions)* **Attach IRS Determination Letter**

3)

Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)	City	State	Zip Code

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

Youth Mentoring Connection, (YMC) is requesting funding to purchase equipment for the YMC Urban Oasis Film Academy (UOFA). YMC has been providing the Urban Oasis Film Academy (UOFA) program since 2007. Funds will be used to purchase much needed equipment. Programming includes workshops on all aspects of film making including scriptwriting, storyboarding, acting, filming, and editing. The creative process and production are youth-led which not only empowers them but also brings a deeper awareness of their inner selves through their films.

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

YMC serves youth primarily from the southcentral area. Youth served include those who attend Options for Youth community school and the newly opened SEED school across the street from our location on Vermont Street. YMC is in the process of opening the Urban Oasis Youth Center at our site and this will provide even more opportunities for local youth including computer stations, homework assistance, fun activities, and a variety of workshops.

SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)

Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
	$	$
	$	$
	$	$

6b)

Non-Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
Film equipment: camera lens, mac books, boom memory cards, etc.	$ 5000	$ 5000
	$	$
	$	$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?

☑ **No** ☐ **Yes** **If Yes, please list names of NCs:** _____

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs) ☑ **No** ☐ **Yes** **If Yes, please describe:**

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
	$	$
	$	$
	$	$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: **$** 5000

10a) Start date: 8/1/24 **10b) Date Funds Required:** 8/30/24 **10c) Expected Completion Date:** 7/30/25

(After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?

☑ **No** ☐ **Yes** **If Yes, please describe below:**

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?

☑ **Yes** ☐ **No** ***(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*

Tony LoRe	Founder/CEO	Tony LoRe	5/13/24
PRINT Name	*Title*	*Signature*	*Date*

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED*

Julie Zwissler	Board Member	julie zwissler	5/13/24
PRINT Name	*Title*	*Signature*	*Date*

*** If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org for instructions on completing this form**