

Neighborhood Council Funding Program
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. The Neighborhood Council, upon approval of the application, shall submit the approved application along with all required documentation to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

Name of Neighborhood Council you are seeking the grant from: Westchester and Playa Del Rey
Neighborhood Council Name

SECTION I - APPLICANT VERIFICATION INFORMATION

1A) <u>Friends of Open School</u> <i>Organization Name</i>	<u>95-3793829</u> <i>Federal I.D. # (EIN#)</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State of Incorporation</i>	<u>5/24/1985</u> <i>Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)</i>
1B) <u>5540 W 77th</u> <i>Organization Mailing Address</i>	<u>Los Angeles</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>90048</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1C) _____ <i>Business Address (if different)</i>	_____ <i>City</i>	_____ <i>State</i>	<u>90045</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1D) <u>Open Magnet Charter School</u> <i>Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)</i>	<u>Los Angeles</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>90045</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
Name and address of person designated to receive official/legal notices:		Name: <u>Julia Jones</u>	
2) <u>5540 W 77th</u> <i>Street</i>	<u>Los Angeles</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>90045</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
3) Type of Organization- Please select one: (Organizations must be located within the City of Los Angeles)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Public School <i>(not to include private schools)</i>		or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) Non-profits <i>(other than religious institutions)</i>	
Attach Letterhead		Attach IRS Determination Letter	

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- 4) Please describe the Neighborhood Improvement Project for which the grant is intended.
- Friends of Open School would like to improve landscaping on the Osage side of the school. The garden area along Osage, between 77th and 79th is an eyesore for the community with struggling landscaping and brush, the area provides a secluded environment for afterhours activity, a dumping ground for bulky items (most recently several mattresses- see Picture 5 in original application) and other trash and cover for our urban rodent population. To increase safety and security and beautify the neighborhood, Open School would like to clear approximately 200 X 18 ft area of the underperforming brush and ivy, remove trash and weeds, grade and lay new landscaping elements that are hardy, drought tolerant, low in profile and more aesthetically pleasing: A rock and succulent garden (see a sample of design Picture 6 in original application).
- 5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a non-discriminatory, public purpose and benefit the public at-large.
- Despite our thriving curriculum and active parent community, Open School falls under the umbrella of LAUSD where facilities and landscape services are chronically under-resourced. Our active and involved parents and site committee have improved the landscaping and outdoor spaces within the school grounds but with limited funds have not yet had the resources to enhances areas outside of the school. With support from the neighborhood council Open School can improve the security and aesthetics of our school and neighborhood. As an additional step that was recently taken to increase lighting and security in this area was a request to Bonin's office to install additional light poles from the city (will provide details if requested and we received approval from the immediate neighbors).

SECTION VI - 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 Appendix A, "What is a Public Benefit," and Appendix B "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

Two signatures required

12A) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal

Antoinette Cass
PRINT First Name/ Last Name

Principal
Title

Antoinette Cass
Signature

3-2-18
Date

12B) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal

Julia Jones
PRINT First Name/ Last Name

President
Title

[Signature]
Signature

3-2-18
Date

SECTION VII - FOR DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT USE ONLY

<u>Date Received</u>		Application <input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete	
<u>Reviewer Name</u>	<u>Date Reviewed</u>		
REVIEWER'S NOTES			
<u>Date submitted to Funding Unit</u>			
Method: <input type="checkbox"/> In-person <input type="checkbox"/> E-mail <input type="checkbox"/> Fax <input type="checkbox"/> Inter-departmental mail			
<u>NPG #</u>			
Application <input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete			
Funding Unit Notes:		DONE Date Stamp Receipt	

*See address
4/7/85*

The Open Magnet Charter School
8540 Wilshire Street
Los Angeles, CA 90045

Date: MAY 24, 1985

▷ FRIENDS OF THE OPEN SCHOOL
575 N CROFT AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CA 900480000

Employer Identification Number:
95-3793829
Contact Person:
SANCHO, KAREN ANN
Contact Telephone Number:
213-688-4885

Dear Applicant:

Based on the information you recently submitted, we have classified your organization as one that is not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code because you are an organization described in section 509(a)(2).

Your exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Code is still in effect.

This classification is based on the assumption that your operations will continue as you have stated. If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status.

This supersedes our letter dated Nov. 20, 1984.


Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,



W. H. CONNETT
DISTRICT DIRECTOR



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Picture 6: Friends of Open School EIN

Los Angeles Unified School District

The Open Magnet Charter School

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March 5th, 2018

Vivian Ekehian
Interim Superintendent

Antoinette Cass
Principal

Peggy Lew
Magnet Coordinator

To Neighborhood Council of Westchester and Playa Del Rey,

I, Antoinette Cass, principal of Open School in Westchester, CA support the beautification of Osage St garden area and the request of \$1500 from our neighborhood council. This project will be managed by parent Anne-Marie Cziko and faculty Kira Walker, alongside the community of Open School

Lastly, I acknowledge that the receiving entity, Friends of Open School has the capacity to manage and administer the grant funds allocated through this grant.

Sincerely,

