

**Neighborhood Council Funding Program
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



Office of the
CityClerk

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. **Any potential conflicts of interest indicated in Section IV of this application must be addressed with the Office of the City Attorney, Neighborhood Council Advice Division prior to the Neighborhood Council board's vote and consideration of the grant.** 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: Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa

SECTION I- APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a) Beautify LA 33-1571923 CA 10-21-2024
Organization Name Federal I.D. # (EIN) State of Incorporation Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)

1b) 1848 S Gramercy Pl Los Angeles CA 90019
Organization Mailing Address City State Zip Code

1c) _____ _____ _____ _____
Business Mailing Address (if different) City State Zip Code

1d) **APPLICANT POINT OF CONTACT:**
Mark Ragan 435-773-2256 Mark@beautifyla.info
Name Phone Email

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 the IRS Determination Letter and status verification from the State of California** (see "Application Process" under the Applicant Instructions.)

3) **Are you applying as a fiscal sponsor for another organization?** **No** **Yes**

If yes, please provide:

Name / Address of Affiliated Organization City State Zip Code

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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

Beautify LA will host an art and garden festival in Westchester Park June 6th, 2026 from 3:00pm - 6:00pm. A free event for the public. This event will feature art and garden activities presented by Beautify LA for the public to enjoy. This event is family friendly and is set to take place in Westchester Park. The art and garden event will allow the public to learn about gardening and painting. The art festivities will showcase art easels, canvases, and painting instruments to create a masterpiece that you can take home. The garden activity will provide gardening supplies and native flowers to support the current biodiversity in Westchester Neighborhood. We plan to advertise the event to the local community, social media, and our partners.

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)

Beautify LA is a public charity, a public service, and on a mission to host events while providing inclusion, acceptance, and community engagement throughout our events; We welcome all. Beautify LA will publicize the events through public websites, library, local business, and our social media to get the word out to the community and begin creating community awareness. Our events will benefit the residents of Westchester Neighborhood by providing new opportunities for the resident to engage in. Providing social activities for the neighbors and empowering the community to grow gardens and/or paint pictures. This will primarily serve the public by creating community engagement, fostering new and existing relationships, and providing recreational activities for the public to enjoy.

SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

Please provide a detailed Project Budget Outline below. You may also provide a Project Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested. **(Note: Administrative costs of the organization or admission fees cannot be funded through a Neighborhood Purposes Grant.)**

6) Project Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
Please see the attached Budget Outline	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

7a) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project within the last 18 months?

No Yes

If Yes, please describe below:

Neighborhood Council(s)	Date Submitted to NC	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7b) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for **any** project within the last 18 months?

No Yes

If Yes, please describe below:

Neighborhood Council(s)	Date Submitted to NC	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
Los Feliz	04/16/2026	\$225	\$225
PICO	01/21/2026	\$1,400	\$1,400
Eagle Rock	03/26/2025	\$950	\$950

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 below:

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

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$ 2,000

10a) Start date: 04/24/2026

10b) Date Funds Required: 05/20/2026

10c) Expected Completion Date*: 06/05/2026

After completion of the project, the applicant **must submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council to update the Board of your project successes and challenges and for consideration of future grant requests.*

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11) 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

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

No Yes

If Yes, provide the date you made the request to the board member. _____

***(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, or signs the Board Action Certification Form (BAC), the NC Funding Program may 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.

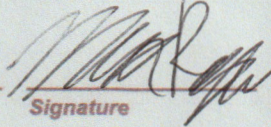
12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*

Mark Ragan

PRINT Name

Founder

Title



Signature

04/24/2026

Date

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

Eddie Barber

PRINT Name

President

Title



Signature

4/24/2026

Date

*** If a current NC Board Member holds any board position or is employed in the organization, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org for instructions on completing this form.**

Budget Outline

Non-Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
30 18x24 canvas	\$300	\$300
small Canvas	\$50	\$50
Acrylic Paint	\$200	\$200
Paint brush set	\$350	\$350
Wooden Art Easels	\$225	\$225
Garden soil (feeds up to 6 months)	\$150	\$150
Plastic Nursery Pots	\$150	\$150
Flower seeds	\$75	\$75
Permit fee	\$150	\$150
Signage at event	\$165	\$165
Pop-up Tent	\$135	\$135
Advertising	\$50	\$50



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BEAUTIFY LA
1848 S GRAMERCY PL
LOS ANGELES, CA 90019

Date:
11/21/2024
Employer ID number:
33-1571923
Person to contact:
Name: Victoria E.
ID number: 5508771
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
509(a)(2)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
October 21, 2024
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053719007484

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements