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Community Foundation
for Monterey County

2016 GRANT GUIDELINES

Joel and Dena Gambord Charitable Foundation

ABOUT THE FUND

The Joel and Dena Gambord Charitable Foundation (GCF) is a donor advised fund of the Community Foundation for Monterey County (CFMC). GCF was established with the purpose of reducing the wait time for individuals in need of a service dog. GCF fulfills its mission by supporting qualified organizations within California that successfully train, place, and provide ongoing support to service dog teams. As a result of our support, selected organizations are expected to produce additional trained service dogs each year and thus reduce the wait time for the individuals in need.

We make every effort to stay actively connected to each recipient organization we select through interim reporting, questionnaires and in-person follow up, in hopes of forming a close and lasting working relationship with each group.

JOEL AND DENA GAMBORD CHARITABLE FOUNDATION GRANTS

GCF focuses on sponsoring individual dogs for training and placement with a person in need of assistance, and/or canine search and rescue programs. Proposals will be considered for specific projects or programs directly related to the training and placement of a service dog within a one-year timeframe.

2016 Grants Calendar

Grant Proposal Due: October 23, 2015

Follow-up and site visits, if applicable: November

Grant Decisions Announced: December 2015

Interim Report due: Six Months after Grant Date

Final Evaluation Report Due: Eleven Months after Grant Date

2016 GRANTMAKING PRIORITIES

GCF welcomes proposals that address the goal of training and placing fully trained service dogs from one or more of the following modalities:

- Service dog programs, including mobility assistance, visual, hearing assistance, seizure, autism, epilepsy, and other medical alert dogs
- Canine search and rescue programs
- Disease detection/alerting dogs
- Psychiatric service dogs (PTSD, CPTSD, TBI)

GUIDELINES FOR PROSPECTIVE GRANTEES

Grant Awards: A total of \$100,000 is available for 2016. Awards will be up to \$30,000. Grants support activities for a one-year period from December 2015 to November 2016.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Grants are by invitation to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations within the state of California.
- Preference will be given to small- to medium-sized organizations
- Only one grant application per organization will be considered per year.
- Organizations applying for continuing support may be awarded grants contingent upon successful completion of the previous years' goals as detailed in the grant recipient's prior year grant application.

What grant funds will support:

- Sponsorship for the **direct training cost** of an individual dog(s) from the time of recruitment to finished placement.
- Specific projects that are designed to increase the number of finished service dogs placed.

What grant funds will NOT support:

- For-profit organizations or other nonprofit agencies with any determination other than 501(c)(3)
- Spay and neuter programs
- Programs using harsh methods of training, for example:
 - training using physical correction as the primary training tool
 - punishment based teaching
 - training styles inappropriately matched to dog's temperament
- Any program engaged in animal testing or animal cruelty
- Endowments, building campaigns, annual fund appeals, fundraising events or celebrations
- Adoption, shelter or rescue programs or their operating expenses
- Programs that relate or promote a specific political position
- Construction costs for new buildings or remodeling proposals
- Equipment purchases or capital expenses
- Scholarship programs
- Deficit reduction, overhead expenses (such as rent, insurance, etc...) or other operating expenses unrelated to direct training costs.
- Programs spending more than 35% of expenses on administrative costs or overhead expenses

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE GRANT

GCF requires each organization to agree to the following as a condition of funding:

- Six months after receiving funding, provide GCF an interim report detailing current progress with the project and what remains to be done. This report should include how many dogs are currently in the program, the status of training, and projected pairing.
- Notification when GCF dogs have been identified and paired with a client.
- Invitation to GCF dog graduation ceremonies/pairings and permission to take photographs that can be displayed on the CFMC website. CFMC will provide photo release forms.
- GCF and/or CFMC representative(s) will be invited to observe one or more day(s) of training class per year, to be inclusive of training in the modality sponsored.
- A written final report eleven months after receiving funding informing us if the grant's major objectives were achieved; indicate the number of individuals served and/or the number of service dog teams matched; and what effects or results you have observed in relation to your expected outcomes. This report should include a photo and description of each GCF supported dog, detailing the age, breed, and where the dog was obtained (e.g. shelter rescue, breeding program, career change, other organization, etc.).
- Funded organizations will distribute a GCF questionnaire to each client that has been paired with a GCF sponsored service dog after approximately six months of the client and dog working together. Responses will be returned directly to the CFMC and will remain anonymous to both the funded organizations and GCF representatives.

Applications are by invitation only.

PROPOSALS ARE DUE ONLINE BY 5:00 PM, OCTOBER 23, 2015

FUNDING DECISIONS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN DECEMBER

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