

2021 GRANT GUIDELINES
Restricted to named agencies for 2021
The Robert and Virginia Stanton Endowment

ABOUT THE STANTON ENDOWMENT

Virginia Young Stanton left a \$3.5 million bequest to establish this fund in her name and her husband's. The fund was established in 1994 as the Robert and Virginia Stanton Endowment.



Mrs. Stanton moved to the Monterey Peninsula in 1924 as the party and entertainment editor of *House Beautiful*. Her energy and compassion led her to volunteer for the Monterey Museum of Art, the American Red Cross, and the Community Hospital Auxiliary. She was a member of the Monterey Council of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and had a special interest in Casa Amesti; her husband, the distinguished architect Robert Stanton, was a founding member of the Old Capital Club, based in that historic adobe. In 1983, after Robert's passing, she established an endowment at the Community Foundation for awards to outstanding local architects. Mrs. Stanton named some favorite agencies or types of projects for annual consideration in order of priority; others may also be funded at the discretion of the Community Foundation for Monterey County

(CFMC) Board and the Stanton Committee.

STANTON ENDOWMENT GUIDELINES

Stanton Endowment grants are open to 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations serving Monterey County residents. This fund gives priority to the agencies and programs of special interest to Virginia and Robert Stanton **and in 2021, consideration will be restricted to these agencies.** These include:

- The Stanton Center (formerly known as the Allen Knight Maritime Museum)
- The repair, maintenance and capital improvements of public buildings designed by Robert Stanton, especially the King City High School Auditorium and the Monterey County Court House in Salinas
- The Monterey History and Art Association
- The Monterey County Symphony Association
- The Monterey Museum of Art
- The American Red Cross of the Central Coast (formerly known as the Carmel Chapter of the American Red Cross)
- The Salvation Army - Monterey Peninsula Corps

STANTON ENDOWMENT GRANTS CALENDAR

Grant proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. on the second Friday of July or earlier using our online grant application. For 2021, approved proposals are funded in November.

STANTON ENDOWMENT PRIORITIES

The Stanton Endowment Grant Committee generally gives priority to one-time special or capital projects, rather than funding ongoing operating support. **For 2021, the committee will consider requests for operating and/or program support.** The CFMC supports capital costs (buildings and facilities) when those capital improvements have the potential to advance greater social benefit. Capital support will be considered for predevelopment expenses and/or for construction costs after the agency has raised at least half of the goal. Applicants are eligible for two capital-related grants: one for predevelopment expenses and one for construction costs.

The Stanton Endowment Grant Committee will consider the public benefits likely to occur as a result of the proposed activities, as well as other details of the proposals such as cost effectiveness, past record of achievement, and fit with the general guidelines and purposes of the Community Foundation and the Stanton Endowment.

The CFMC **does not** award Stanton Endowment grants to support:

- Individuals, through academic scholarships, fellowships, stipends, travel awards, or the like (however, subsidies to reduce program costs for a group of low-income participants are sometimes called “scholarships” but are eligible)
- Religious activities
- Academic research (however, mission-related applied research such as feasibility studies or needs assessments are eligible)
- Salaries and other operating expenses of schools and public agencies.
- Annual campaigns or special events
- Creation of, or addition to, endowment funds
- Payment of debt, even for expenditures that would otherwise fall within the guidelines
- Reimbursement for expenditures made prior to the scheduled grant check date
- Agencies that have unresolved, non-consensual liens

BEFORE YOU APPLY

To be eligible for funding, organizations must be current on reporting obligations for past CFMC grants. **Since the Stanton Endowment did not award formal grants in 2020 (grants were allocated through the CFMC’s COVID-19 Relief Fund), there is not a reporting requirement for Stanton Endowment 2020 grants.**

Stanton Endowment grant applicants should use the Community Foundation’s [online grant application](#).

A list of recent Stanton Endowment grants may be found on our web site. Please feel free to contact Michael Castro, Community Initiatives Manager, at michaelc@cfmco.org or 375-9712 x 127 if you have questions.

Thank you for your interest in the Robert and Virginia Stanton Endowment of the Community Foundation for Monterey County.