



LAGUNA BEACH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
2010 GRANT GUIDELINES: DEADLINE APRIL 2, 2010

*The mission of the Laguna Beach Community Foundation is to encourage philanthropy in Laguna Beach.*

**Eligibility:**

The following criteria will be reviewed for grant consideration: Grant seekers must:

- Be previously designated as a qualifying non-profit, tax-exempt organization in good standing as defined under Sections 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All applicants must send a copy of their IRS designation letter with each grant request.
- Provide services or programs within the Laguna Beach area.
- Show program/project capability, sound fiscal policies, responsible management, evidence of long-range planning and, where appropriate an effective use of volunteers.
- Have an active board of directors/trustees.
- Be able to describe how the charity will evaluate the results of the proposed grant request.

**LBCF will consider Grant support for** (in no order of importance):

- *Core operations:* funds to support the general operations of an organization
- *Capacity building:* funds that enhance an organization's ability to meet its mission, goals, strategic plan, or help to increase its scale and ability to meet community needs. Examples could include: training, technical assistance, technology upgrades and strategic assessment.
- *Capital projects and equipment:* funds for one-time expense, such as purchase, renovation or construction of facilities
- *Programs/Projects:* new or continuing programs or projects
- *Training:* staff, board or community education and skill training
- *Organizations with religious affiliation:* will **only** be considered if the project for which they seek support addresses the needs of the wider Laguna Beach community without regard to religious beliefs.
- *Funding to organizations with offices located outside of Laguna Beach:* will **only** be considered if grant requests for services or programs provide benefits within the Laguna Beach area.

**LBCF does not provide Grant support for:**

- Annual Fund Drives
- Endowments

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- Labor organizations, fraternal organizations, athletic clubs or social clubs, including 501(c)(6) and (c)(7) organizations
- Political parties, candidates or partisan political organizations, including political grassroots activities
- Underwriting or sponsoring special events (for example, dinners, tournaments, benefits, etc.)

**Process:**

The Grant process will involve:

- Completed grant request application package submission
- LBCF Grants Committee research, review and recommendations to LBCF Board
- LBCF Board approval of grant recipients selection
- LBCF distribution of funds made at an awards ceremony and,
- LBCF analysis of grant effectiveness after follow-up with each organization.

**Funding Range:**

The LBCF will fund the 2010 grants up to \$10,000 per organization.

**How to Submit Your Application:** Grant proposals are preferred electronically. If you send your report by email, there is no need to also send a hard copy. **Email:** [info@lagunabeachcf.org](mailto:info@lagunabeachcf.org)

**Hard copies may be sent to:**

**Laguna Beach Community Foundation Grant Program P.O. Box 1628, Laguna Beach, CA 92652**