

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FUNDERS DIRECTORY

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Dear Grant Seeker,

The San Luis Obispo County Community Foundation is pleased to make available this directory of local funding organizations. The mission of the Foundation is to assist donors in building an enduring source of charitable funds to meet the changing needs and interests of the community. To achieve this mission, the Foundation has set goals which include taking a leadership role in providing support to local non-profit organizations. This directory represents one tool which will be useful in securing funding for local programs. In addition, the Foundation regularly sponsors the annual Nonprofit Collaboration Forum, and various non-profit management workshops in SLO, in collaboration with the Nonprofit Support Center of Santa Barbara County. *FC Search*, the Foundation Center's national database of grantmakers is available through the Nonprofit Support Center.

Please feel free to contact Foundation staff with any questions and/or needs for assistance.

Good luck in your work and in meeting the changing needs of San Luis Obispo County.

Sincerely,

Barry VanderKelen
Executive Director

HOW TO USE THIS DIRECTORY

The San Luis Obispo County Community Foundation seeks to support organizations and programs across a diverse array of funding and geographic areas. However, Foundation funds are a finite resource. In an effort to assist local organizations, the Foundation has collaborated with a number of local funders to develop this directory. Please note that this is not guaranteed to be a comprehensive list and information can change at anytime. The Foundation will make every effort to regularly update and amend this list. It is also available on our website at www.slocf.org

The organizations are listed alphabetically. Each entry endeavors to provide you with information on funding priorities, average grant sizes and procedures for grantmaking. Contact information is provided so that you may obtain the most current and correct application instructions. To assist you with identifying potential funding sources, a matrix is provided indicating which funding areas are of interest to the organization.

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Area Agency on Aging: Provides funding from the Older Americans and Older Californians Acts to provide home and community based long term care services for older adults and adults with disabilities. Goal of funding is to maintain a person's independence as well as their safety/security while at home. AAA also advocates for older persons. Funds only organizations- non-profit, for-profit or governmental. With an annual available dollar amount of over \$3 million, the average grant size is between \$5,000 and \$350,000. AAA provides funding through a competitive *Request for Proposal* process every 4 years. Applications are available in January and due in March. Applicants must first submit a Letter of Intent to the Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens. The availability of funds is contingent upon receipt of adequate funds and approval of the Area Plan and its annual updates by the California Department of Aging. If you have any further inquiries, you may access their website: www.centralcoastseniors.org or contact Area Agency on Aging staff at (805) 925-9554. The FAX # is (805) 925-9555.

528 South Broadway
Santa Maria, CA 93458
www.centralcoastseniors.org

Atascadero Education Foundation: Provides funding for public school teachers in the Atascadero Unified School District as well as for education-related support organizations. Welcomes applications for any projects, programs or activities which benefit the community's children or the betterment of the education process. Examples of past grants include \$500 for the Atascadero Fine Arts Academy to purchase a sound system for the dance studio and \$157 to Santa Rosa Academic Academy for 5 copies of Site Central Web Creator Software. For any further questions, please contact David May at (805) 466-8610

P.O. Box 642
Atascadero, CA 93423
<http://www.aefkids.org/aefgrants.htm>

Avalon Foundation: The Avalon Foundation is a private, self-perpetuating non-profit organization based in Templeton. It distributes funds to various non-profit groups throughout San Luis Obispo County. The foundation exists to provide assistance to other non-profit organizations working in San Luis Obispo County, benefiting children and youth. Its primary mission is to instill and enhance self-esteem through the arts, athletics and other programs that encourage the well being and holistic development of young people. Applications are sent to North County schools in May for funding in September. For further information, please contact the Avalon Foundation at (805) 237-8632 or e-mail lisastromsoe@yahoo.com.

Avila Beach Community Foundation: The Avila Beach Community Foundation (ABCF), created in 1998, is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit charitable organization, which means donations are tax deductible. The mission of the foundation is to accept donations and fund projects for the enhancement and betterment of the Avila Beach community, in perpetuity. To accomplish its mission, the Board of Directors has invested \$3,154,000 and developed a plan for using the earnings to finance community enhancement projects. The annual amount available for grants is dependent on the earnings amount, which the Board disburses based on its grant policy. Grant awards have ranged from \$100 to \$570,000, many grants are collaborative with other agencies. The Foundation has awarded over 90 grants for community projects in Avila Beach in 2001–2007. Simple letters of inquiry are due September 15. Applicants present to the Board in mid October. Final award decisions are made in late October. Interim grants are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. For questions, please contact Boyd Horne, Executive Director, at 805-595-2213 or FAX questions to 805-595-2241. ABCF, PO Box 297, Avila Beach, CA 93424. bhorne@slonet.org.

Bull Foundation: Foundation was established in 1962 and focuses on a wide variety of societal needs with a particular emphasis on benefits for children and elderly, help for the disabled, and the arts, throughout California and beyond. Proposals will not be considered for foreign interests. Proposals are accepted year round and an individual group of trustees makes all final decisions. With an average annual amount of \$430,000, grants range from \$2,500 - \$5,000. There are no formal grant applications; rather a letter stating the name, purpose of the organization and how the grant will be used should be mailed to the foundation. Please make requests as clear and concise as possible, and do not attach any supporting documents. There are two grant cycles per year with deadlines on April 1st and September 1st. Awards are generally made several months after each deadline. For any further questions, please contact Sharon McGinness at (805) 899-8405 or fax (805) 884-1404.

Henry W. Bull Foundation
C/o Santa Barbara Bank and Trust
PO Box 2340
Santa Barbara, CA 93120-2340
sharonm@sbbt.com

California Council for the Humanities: The mission of the California Council for the Humanities is to foster understanding between people and encourage their engagement in community life through the public use of the humanities. In 2002 the Council launched its multi-year “California Stories” initiative. All grant lines are tied to this initiative. Grants range from \$5,000 - \$80,000. Applications availability and due dates as well as award notifications occur between one – four times per year. Information about California Stories grant opportunities may be found at www.californiastories.org.

Administrative Office, San Francisco: (415) 391-1474/fax (415) 391-1312
Field Office, Los Angeles: (213) 623-5993
Field Office, San Diego: (619) 232-4020
info@calhum.org
312 Sutter Street, Suite 601

San Francisco, CA 94108

California Dept of Transportation – Transportation Enhancements (T.E.):

California receives approximately 70 million per year for the Transportation Enhancements Program. Funded activities must have a direct relationship – by function, proximity or impact – to the surface transportation system and must be over and above normal projects, including mitigation. Eligible activities are facilities for pedestrians and bicycles, safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists, acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites, scenic or historic highway programs, landscaping and other scenic beautification, historic preservation, rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities, preservation of abandoned railway corridors, control and removal of outdoor advertising, archaeological planning and research, environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity, establishment of transportation museums.

All Transportation Enhancements (T.E.) funding now resides in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), a biennial funding program for which the California Transportation Commission (CTC) is responsible. The local STIP contact in San Luis Obispo County is Nancy Wickersham at 549-3146.

W. Howard Reynolds
California Dept of Transportation
Division of Local Assistance
1120 'N' Street. Mail Station 1
Sacramento, CA 95814

Catholic Healthcare West Community Grants Program: Catholic Healthcare West and its member hospitals, including French Hospital Medical Center, jointly administer this annual grant program. The criteria for the 2007 funding cycle will be based on the following priority areas: general health education and disease prevention; cancer prevention, resources, and education; diabetes prevention and management; prenatal education and outreach to the Latino community; and dental care and outreach to the underserved, particularly children. Grant materials are available at www.chwHealth.org/communitygrants. Available grant funds total \$30,000 with the typical grant award being \$5,000. Letters of Intent are generally due in late August with full proposals due in early September. For questions or additional information, please contact Debby Nicklas, Foundation Executive Director.

(805) 542-6496

Central Coast Funds for Children: This organization focuses on benefiting children/youth in need within San Luis Obispo County. Funds are raised through donations and special fundraising events. Grant applications are accepted year-round with grant sizes ranging from \$1,500 - \$6,000.00 and more. Previous grant recipients include: Camp Reach for the Stars, Camp Hapitok, CASA, Child Development Center, Creative Nutrition Concepts, SLO Art Center, SLO Children's Museum, SLO Transitions/Mental Health Association, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Morro Bay Community

Foundation, Paso Robles Youth Fund, La Clinica de Tolosa Dental Clinic. To obtain additional information, please contact Jeanette Meek at landjmeek@sbcglobal.net.

P.O. Box 1046
San Luis Obispo, CA 93406

Chevron EMC ABU: The primary focuses for funding are education, health, human services, children and the arts. Applications are typically available in December. For questions please contact Gonzalo F. Garcia at 784-0637 or FAX questions to 547-5444.

PO Box 1069
SLO, CA 93406
gfgarcia@chevron.com

City of Arroyo Grande: Funding is directed towards benefiting the low and moderate income residents of Arroyo Grande through small donations to local non-profit entities. The annual amount available varies, with 15% dedicated to non-profits. Applications become available October 1 and are usually due October 31. After the City Council reviews the applications and the CDBG budget is approved, the recipients are notified between May and June. The funds are usually distributed in October. The primary contact for further information is Jim Bergman who can be reached at (805) 473-5420. Please FAX questions to (805) 473-0386.

P.O. Box 550 (214 E. Branch St)
Arroyo Grande, CA 93421
jbergman@arroyogrande.org

City of Atascadero: Funding focus is open although scope remains within the city limits. Grants are generally awarded to the Arts, health, human services, technology and children. The annual amount available for grants is \$20,000 and the average grant is approximately \$500. Applications are available in April and due in May with awards distributed in June. Each applicant is sent a letter explaining the information that will be required from the prospective recipient and the application will then be sent in letter-form back to the city. For questions please contact Marcia McClure Togerson at (805) 461-5000 or FAX to (805) 461-7612.

City of Atascadero
Marcia McClure Togerson
6907 El Camino Real, Suite 6
Atascadero, CA 93422
mtorgerson@atascadero.org

City of Morro Bay: Monetary aid is focused on non-profit organizations that benefit the citizens of Morro Bay. The annual available amount is \$15,000 with an average grant size of \$500-1,000. Applications become available in January of odd numbered years and are due in March. Awards are typically made in June through a bi-annual budget process and applicants should request two years funding. For any further questions, please contact Susan Slayton at (805) 772-6200 or FAX questions to (805) 772-7329.

City Council c/o Susan Slayton
595 Harbor St.
Morro Bay, CA 93442
sslayton@morro-bay.ca.us

City of Paso Robles: Funding focus is on low-income housing, public facilities as well as programs that benefit low-income persons throughout the city limits. Funding to various recipients are awarded through Community Development Block Grants by the City of Paso Robles in accordance with SLO County's CDBG process. Applications are typically available in early September and due by the last Monday in October. Awards are typically disbursed in early March. The annual amount available for allocation is \$330,000 with an average grant size of between \$2,000 and \$100,000. The larger grants are awarded to organizations engaged in construction projects. For questions, please call or FAX Ed Gallagher, Housing Programs Manager at (805) 237-3970 or (805) 237-3904 (FAX).

Ed Gallagher, Housing Programs Manager
City of Paso Robles
1000 Spring Street
Paso Robles, CA 93446
ed@prcity.com

City of San Luis Obispo Human Relations Commission: The Commission places emphasis on the funding of: affordable housing and homeless services; job training and economic development; health care; services for seniors; services for people with disabilities; at-risk youth and family intervention; and affordable child care programs. The annual available amount for distribution through the City's Grants-In-Aid Program is approximately \$120,000 with average individual grant sizes of \$500-9,000. The RFA is released in December with a February filing deadline and corresponding awards disbursed in July. The application may be downloaded at www.slocity.org/humanresources/grants.asp. For further questions, please contact Monica Irons at 781-7250 or FAX questions to 542-9867.

990 Palm Street
SLO, CA 93401

City Of San Luis Obispo Promotional Coordinating Committee's (PCC) Grants-In-Aid Program: Funding focuses on local non-profit organizations that promote cultural, social and recreational activities that make significant contributions to the overall quality of life in San Luis Obispo. Applications are available in early February and proposals are screened by the PCC. The City awards annual grants to about 45 organizations each year. The average grant size is between \$750 and \$5,000. Funds are awarded in July. For questions, you may contact Brigitte Elke, Principal Administrator Analyst at 781-7151 or FAX questions to 781-7109

990 Palm Street
SLO, CA 93401
belke@slocity.org

Co. of San Luis Obispo - Air Pollution Control District: The District periodically has various funding opportunities available. Grant programs have been focused on reduction of emissions from motor vehicles, heavy-duty engines, industrial plants, and agricultural engines. To find out more contact Bob Carr, Air Pollution Control officer at 781-4AIR.

Air Pollution Control District
3433 Roberto Court
SLO, CA 93401
cleanair@co.slo.ca.us

Co. of San Luis Obispo - District Community Projects/Visitor Services Grant Funds/Environmental Grant Funds Programs: The purpose of this program is to fund individual projects (that do not fall under the Health and Human Services Grants Fund Program), visitor-serving projects and environmental projects within each supervisorial district within San Luis Obispo County. There is \$100,000 available for the District Community Projects Program (\$20,000 each supervisorial district), \$50,000 for the Visitor Services Grants Program (\$10,000 per supervisor), and \$10,000 for the Environmental Grants Program (\$2,000 per supervisor). The average grant size is \$500-2,500. Applications are accepted year-round. For questions, please contact Nikki Schmidt at 781-5496.

County Govt. Ctr., Rm. 370
SLO, CA 93408
nschmidt@co.slo.ca.us

Co. of San Luis Obispo Community Based Organization (CBO) and Preventive Health Grant (PHG) Grant Applications: Funds are intended to be used for local programs/projects that support and complement (not duplicate) the efforts of the County's health and human services departments in promoting the optimal health, stability, independence and well-being of County residents. Both public and private nonprofit organizations may apply. Programs and projects must be carried out in San Luis Obispo County. During FY 2006-07, \$347,680 was distributed to community based non-profit organizations. Requests for applications are typically available in mid-December with applications due at the end of January. Applications are available online at: www.slcounty.ca.gov/admin.htm. For any questions, please contact Nikki Schmidt at 781-5496.

County Government Center, Room 370
SLO, CA 93408
nschmidt@co.slo.ca.us

Co. of San Luis Obispo Planning Department- Housing and Economic Development Division: Funding focuses on community development such as housing, facilities, services and economic development on a countywide basis. Community input workshops are necessary in September and October so the RFP may be released in November. HUD will approve projects in July or August. With an annual available

amount of \$3 to \$4 million, the average grant size is \$100,000- 200,000. For further questions, please contact Dana Lilley at 781-5715 or Tony Navarro at 781-5787, or FAX questions to 786-2007

Planning and Building Dept.
County Govt. Ctr., Rm. 370
SLO, CA 93408
dlilley@co.slo.ca.us

First 5 Children and Families Commission of San Luis Obispo County: The Commission was created to distribute Proposition 10 tobacco tax funds. Funding focuses on developing a county-wide comprehensive and integrated system of prevention and early intervention services for children ages zero to five and their families in order to help our county's young children grow and develop to their maximum potential. For questions, contact Susan Hughes at 781-4058 or 788-2365 (fax)

2995 McMillan Ave, Suite 282
SLO, CA 93401
shughes@co.slo.ca.us
<http://www.first5slo.org>

Hind Foundation: The Hind Foundation, established in 2006, funds community based projects relating to music and the arts, plant and wildlife protection, land conservancy and the preservation/restoration of historical landmarks. Funds are awarded through a grant application process to determine if the organization's purpose meets the foundation's requirements and scope. Applications are only accepted from tax-exempt entities operating within the state of California, with an emphasis in San Luis Obispo County. Organizations may only apply once a year. Those groups that receive funds should allow two full years to elapse between grant proposals.

Greg Hind
P.O. Box 13259
San Luis Obispo, CA 93406
(805) 544-0914
greghind@hindfoundation.org
www.hindfoundation.org

Hoag Family Foundation: Although based in Los Angeles, the George Hoag Family Foundation has a strong connection to San Luis Obispo County through Vice President Grant Hoag, a former Cuesta College employee and resident in our community. While the Foundation continually reassesses its grants program, it does have established policies to guide its Board of Directors in allocating its donations. The primary focus for funding is directed towards the support of nonpartisan, nonprofit organizations which are operated in the public interest and have tax exempt status as charitable organizations. The Foundation has particular concern for the welfare of the residents of the Orange County area. Examples of local grants include \$105,000 to upgrade laboratory technology at Cuesta College and \$35,000 for an exhibit at the Charles Paddock Zoo. Applications must be fully completed by March 31 for consideration at the

regular meeting held in October. Prospective applicants are to submit a letter which will be evaluated and if appropriate, the necessary forms and application will be mailed in response. Applications are only accepted from tax-exempt organizations operating within the State of California. Applications from individuals are not accepted.

Mr. W.D. Milliken, Secretary
George Hoag Family Foundation
2029 Century Park East, Suite 4392
Los Angeles, CA 90067-3029

Hock Family Foundation: The Hock Family Foundation is a charitable non-profit organization whose primary focus for funding is children's causes, animal welfare, the arts and education. Contact Dan Hock at 597-5801 or FAX questions to 784-9102.

The Hock Family Foundation
3165 Broad Street #118
SLO, CA 93401
E-mail: hockfamilyfound@aol.com
Web address: www.hockfamilyfoundation.com

Robert H. Janssen Foundation: Funding is focused primarily on institutions and residents within San Luis Obispo. The Janssen Foundation emphasizes the betterment of the community through donations to education, athletics, the arts as well as health. The annual available amount is approximately \$100,000 with an average grant size of \$1,000-20,000. To apply, written requests must be mailed to the address below and should include proof of tax exemption and five copies of all requests and information.

Trustees
P.O. Box 14010
SLO, CA 93406

LSP Morro Bay, LLC: Funding from this organization focuses on innovative K-12 math and science education programs; environmental projects and programs; economic vitality initiatives; leadership development in non-profit organizations; and non-profit organizations in which the plant's employees are involved. The application should consist of a written letter of explanation from the prospective 501(c)(3) organization and include the amount requested. The average grant awards range from \$100 to \$1,000. For additional information, please contact Plant Manager Steve Goscheke at the address below:

LSP Morro Bay, LLC
Morro Bay Power Plant
1290 Embarcadero Road
Morro Bay, CA 93442

Mid-State Bank Foundation: Funding is distributed annually throughout the Tri-Counties, 25% each to arts, education, youth groups, senior groups, human services organizations, and all others. Approximately \$300,000 is available with average grant

sizes of \$1,000-5,000. Award decisions are made monthly. Preference is given to bank employees that submit a request for a non-profit organization that they are involved with. Employee submits request on a bank form. All other requests should be in writing and mailed to the address below. Requested information includes how funds would be used, the nature/purpose of the organization, a budget and any other pertinent background information. Contact Michael Gibson at 473-6805 or FAX to 473-7752.

1026 Grand Avenue
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420
mgibson@midstatebank.com

Morro Bay National Estuary Program: Funding is focused on environmental causes with an emphasis on improving water quality and habitat values in Morro Bay or its watershed. The majority of projects result in actual remediation work, such as erosion control, creek restoration, pollution reduction and a small portion of design and engineering projects. Under special circumstances, research by faculty or students is funded and a very limited amount of money is donated to environmental education and outreach projects. In regards to the flexibility of recipient prerequisites, all projects MUST demonstrate a relationship to "Action Plans" of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP). There is an average annual amount of \$100,000 available for grants with "mini-grants" of \$5,000 or less awarded quarterly and larger grants awarded semi-annually. Applications as well as instructions and relevant parts of the CCMP are available at www.mbnep.org or you may contact Jamie Carpenter at (805) 772-3834 with any questions.

601 Embarcadero, Suite 11
Morro Bay, CA 93442
Jamie@mbnep.org
www.mbnep.org

Orange County Community Foundation - Margaret E. Oser Fund for Women: The Margaret E. Oser Foundation was established by Margaret E. Oser, a long time resident of Orange County, in 1986. Grants will be made principally for the benefit of Southern California programs, including San Luis Obispo County, concerned with women's health, education, and social welfare. Preferred projects will be community based, focus on preventing/solving special problems, and affect significant numbers of people. Annual distributions to agencies from the Foundation now approximate \$400,000. Most grants have been in the range of \$10,000 to \$25,000. To download a copy of the application guidelines, please visit www.oc-cf.org. Concept proposals for the Margaret E. Oser fund are usually due near the end of August. All concept proposal applicants are notified in the fall of their decline or invitation to submit full proposals. Full proposals are generally due in mid October. Notification of funding occurs in mid December. Please contact Karen Francis, Program Officer, with any questions at (949) 553-4202 ext. 32 or via e-mail at kfrancis@oc-cf.org.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company: One of the ways PG&E contributes to the economic and social well-being of the communities it serves is through their charitable

contributions program. The goal is to share the company's energy expertise and resources to promote innovative solutions to problems faced by the communities they serve. The program focus is on the following five funding areas: Environmental and Energy Sustainability, Emergency Preparedness, Economic Development, Education, and Emergency Energy Assistance. To be eligible for a contribution, a grantee **must** hold current tax-exempt status under **Section 501(c)(3)** of the Internal Revenue Code or be a unit of government (including a public school).

Underserved Emphasis – PG&E targets a large portion of its grants for projects or organizations that assist underserved communities. In general, this includes persons with low incomes, people of color, seniors, the disabled, and the LGBT community.

Funding Cycle - While the contributions program is funded throughout the calendar year, most grant requests are funded prior to September 30.

Application Instructions – PG&E is now using an electronic grant application to review and process all grant requests. Submit requests online by visiting www.pge.com/giving. For questions, contact Yolanda Bernasconi at (805) 595-6425.

PG&E

Thomas P. Jones, Regional Manger
406 Higuera Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Pay it Forward Foundation: Based on the theme from Catherine Ryan Hyde's novel, *Pay It Forward*, this foundation was established in September of 2000 to educate and inspire young students to realize that they can change the world and provide them with the opportunity to do so. Students and teachers are encouraged to formulate their own ideas of how they can *pay it forward*. The PIF Foundation has worked on such problems as homelessness, pollution, youth violence, literacy issues, the loneliness experience by long-term hospital and nursing home patients, and the alienation of today's at-risk youth. The PIF Foundation provides seed money for such worthwhile projects. To date, it has provided grants funds and/or materials to more than 300 schools in the U.S., Australia, Canada, and numerous other countries. For more information please visit the website at www.payitforwardfoundation.org.

Robert H. Janssen Foundation: Funding is focused primarily on institutions and residents within San Luis Obispo. The Janssen Foundation emphasizes the betterment of the community through donations to education, athletics, the arts as well as health. The annual available amount is approximately \$100,000 with an average grant size of \$1,000-20,000. To apply, written requests must be mailed to the address below and should include proof of tax exemption and five copies of all requests and information.

Trustees
P.O. Box 14010
SLO, CA 93406

Rossi Foundation: Funding is provided to a wide array of programs. Previous recipients include the SLO Botanical Garden, SLO County Historical Society, SLO Children's Museum, Gilbert Reed Ballet, and Central Coast Salmon Enhancement. Grant sizes average \$500. Letters of Request should be addressed to Rob Rossi. For more information contact Donna at 543-4333 or FAX to 543-4220.

750 Pismo Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

San Luis Obispo County Planning and Building Department: Funding focuses on community development such as housing, facilities, services and economic development on a countywide basis. Applications are typically available in mid-September and due at the end of October. For further questions, please contact Dana Lilley at 781-5715, or FAX questions to 781-5624.

976 Osos Street, Room 300
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408
dlilley@co.slo.ca.us

Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center: This hospital's primary focus for funding is health and human services throughout the county. Average grant size lies between \$100 and \$5,000. Applications should be submitted to Tenet Foundation through the marketing director. The Budget is determined in March and awards released throughout the year. For any further questions, please contact Dennis Pall at 596-7518 or FAX questions to 596-7515.

3765 South Higuera Street
SLO, CA 93405
dennis.pall@tenethealth.com

SLO County Community Foundation: The primary focus for funding is on the arts, community enhancement, the environment, education, health, human services as well as historical preservation within SLO County. The annual available amount for general grants is \$100,000 with an average grant size of \$5,000. Applications are available on-line and responses are evaluated by a panel of community reviewers. The Board of Directors then determines award approval. Grant cycles occur once a year with applications available during the winter and due in the spring. The Foundation also implements a number of strategic grant initiatives in the areas of the arts, GLBT (gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender), women's and girls issues, and youth development. For any further questions, please contact Janice Fong Wolf at 543-2323 or FAX questions to 543-2346.

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jwolf@slocf.org
www.slocf.org

So Cal Gas: Funding is focused on human services, environment, job prosperity, education, arts and culture and civic needs within SLO County. Applications are available in the beginning of each year, due in June or July with grants awarded towards the end of the year. The annual amount available varies from year to year and the average grant size determined according to this amount. Please contact Tim Mahoney, District Manager at 966-6212 or FAX questions to 962-2017

134 E. Victoria Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101-2047
tmahoney@semprautilities.com

Tenet Healthcare Foundation: Most funding helps meet unmet or underserved health care needs in the communities where the Tenet Healthcare Corporation operates hospitals. Secondly, the Foundation makes grants in support of appropriate educational, human service, civic and humanities-supporting organizations. Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center in San Luis Obispo is operated by Tenet. For contact information, please see the Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center entry above.

<http://www.tenethealth.com/Foundation/Foundation.cfm>

The California Endowment: The California Endowment, established in 1996, is a private, statewide health foundation with approximately \$3.7 billion in assets. Since its inception, The California Endowment has made more than 8,400 grants totaling more than \$1.6 billion to community-based organizations throughout the state. Its mission is to expand access to affordable, quality health care for underserved individuals and communities, and to promote fundamental improvements in the health status of all Californians.

The California Endowment seeks to fulfill its mission by utilizing a dual-pronged approach: focusing on grant making that supports both policy and systems-level change as well as responding to grassroots, community-led approaches. The California Endowment is headquartered in Los Angeles with regional offices in San Diego, Fresno, Sacramento and San Francisco.

To request a grant application, please call or visit our web site.

The California Endowment
1000 N. Alameda St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(800) 449-4149

The California Wellness Foundation: With the goals of improving the health of the people of California by making grants for health promotion, wellness education and disease prevention, this foundation prioritizes eight issues for funding (diversity in the health professions, environmental health, healthy aging, mental health, teenage pregnancy prevention, violence prevention, women's health, and work and health) and responds to timely issues or special projects outside the funding priorities. The typical grant size ranges from \$5,000 - \$150,000 for three years. The foundation primarily

funds requests for core operating support for organizations that work to improve the health of underserved populations in California. Requests for project funding are also welcome. To apply, applicants should first write a 1 – 2 page letter of interest describing the organization's mission and activities, the region and population(s) served, how the funds will be used and total funds requested from the foundation. After letters are received, they will be reviewed and the applicants will be notified within 3 – 4 months at which time they will be given further instruction. Call or write for more information. Letters of interest should be directed to:

Director of Grants Management
TCWF
6320 Canoga Ave, Suite 1700
Woodland Hills, CA 91367
www.tcwf.org
(819) 702-1900
(818) 702-1999 (fax)

Thorton S. Glide, Jr. and Katrina D. Glide Foundation: Established in July 1995, The T.S. Glide, Jr. and Katrina D. Glide Foundation is a perpetual California charitable trust. Its purpose is to provide benefits for qualified organizations committed to the preservation of land in its natural state, agricultural purposes, other land and wildlife conservancy groups, animal protection organizations, and opera, symphony, and other similar civic groups. Applications will be accepted each calendar year at the Foundation office from May 15th through August 15th. Regular Grants (normally limited to \$20,000) and Major Grants (limited to \$50,000) are awarded within the month of December of the year in which the Grant Application is made. For further information please call (530) 753-3803 or Fax requests to (530) 753-3849. Visit the website at www.glidefoundation.org for guidelines and grant applications.

28120 Pierce Ranch Road
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United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development - Community Facilities Loans and Grants: The goal of USDA's Rural Development mission area is to help the people of rural America develop sustainable communities and improve their quality of life. It is working to eliminate substandard housing, create jobs, and build/improve community facilities. Examples of essential community facilities include health care, telecommunications, public safety, and public services. Grants are authorized on a graduated scale, with priority given to applicants in rural communities with populations of 5,000 or less. Applicants with low median household incomes receive a higher percentage of the grants. The maximum term for all loans is 40 years. Grant assistance may be available for up to 75% of project costs. Applications are available year-round for commercial lenders and non-profit groups, but some groups (ex. schools, libraries, non-profit hospitals, etc.) must compete annually at the national level. Typical funding ranges from \$15,000 to \$40,000 for some and from \$100,000 to \$6 million for others. Please contact James W. McIntire, Rural Development Manager

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United Way: United Way of San Luis Obispo County focuses its work to improve the lives of our county's most vulnerable neighbors by investing in community-based health and human service programs. The United Way has identified 5 major community priorities based upon the work of ACTION for Healthy Communities. Promoting Healthy Lives (23% of available funds) is working to promote access to health care and mental health services and support public safety, prevention and substance abuse treatment programs. Meeting Life's Basic Needs receives (31%) working to provide food for families with limited resources, short-term shelter during times of crisis, and temporary housing and support prior to finding permanent housing. Investing in Children and Youth and Success By 6 Initiative receives (22%) working to build healthy families and promote activities supporting children's physical, emotional and cognitive well-being. Building Self-Sufficiency receives (17%) helping families meet childcare, transportation, housing and job readiness needs. Strengthening Our Community receives (7%) and connects families with information to benefit them and the community, and encourage collaboration and improve capabilities among agencies. Grant size ranges from \$500 – \$10,000. Funds used are raised yearly during the annual Community Fund Campaign. Applications are available in February with grants awarded in June. Please contact Charlotte Alexander at (805) 541-1234 or unitedslo@slonet.org with any further questions.

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Washington Mutual Bank Foundation: Although Based in Washington State, the foundation is expanding its presence in California as a result of bank mergers. Priorities include education, community development, neighborhood improvement, affordable housing, and youth programs.

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Wells Fargo Bank Foundation: Their primary focus is to support programs whose chief purpose is to benefit low and moderate income individuals. Wells Fargo makes contributions in three primary areas: Community Development, Education, and Human Services. Grant proposals are accepted throughout the year and are reviewed upon receipt. Proposals should not exceed five pages, including the organizations' mission

and major accomplishments. Eligible organizations must be a 501c3 or 501c6 designation by the IRS. For complete guidelines contact Randy Chun, Regional Vice President for Northern and Central California Regions at 415-396-5830.

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