



SAGC Summary

We are an association of diverse South Asians based in the Bay Area who are interested in assisting local non-profit organizations by providing financial support and specialized skills through our members. We operate by collectively raising money, then deciding how to allocate these funds in support of various philanthropies, community services and social change organizations that serve the local South Asian community. 2010 is our first grant cycle.

Grant Application Eligibility

South Asian-focused charitable organizations are able to apply for a grant from the South Asian Giving Circle. The SAGC wishes to offer a one-time grant for up to five 501c3-designated organizations.

Applicants must meet the following criteria to apply:

- The organization must have a mission and/or activities which serve the South Asian community
- The organization must be based in, or have a strong presence in, the Bay Area San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, and/or Contra Costa Counties
- The organization must be a 501c3 or be able to access funds through a 501c3 fiscal sponsor
- The program activities for which the organization applies for funding must be secular

We are open to supporting a range of causes and activities. If you have questions about your eligibility to apply, please contact us.

Application Checklist

A completed application will include the following:

- Grant application identification sheet
- Completed grant application questions (not to exceed 10 pages)
- 501c3 determination letter OR
- 501c3 determination letter from your fiscal sponsor (if applicable) AND
- Sponsorship letter from fiscal sponsor (if applicable)

Application Process

Interested organizations are asked to complete the attached application. **APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY AUGUST 15, 2010** and should be submitted via email to both shyam@southasiangivingcircle.org and nikhil@southasiangivingcircle.org.

The SAGC Leadership Team will identify a list of finalists that will be voted upon by our membership. See www.southasiangivingcircle.org for more information on our governing structure and selection process, including AAPIP's involvement. We anticipate final funding decisions by November 2010.

If you have any questions about our grant application or selection process, please contact: shyam@southasiangivingcircle.org.



Organization Name:

Address:

Contact Name:

Contact Email:

Contact Phone:

Website Address:

Grant Questions

For the following grant questions, please use the attached form. If your answer is longer than the space provided, please attach separate pages that clearly indicate which question you are answering (*no more than 10 pages please!*):

Organization Background

- Mission & Activities: What is your organization’s overall mission statement?
- Board of Directors or Leadership Team: Please list the members
- Work To-Date: Please include a list and summaries of main current and completed projects
- Community Impact: How have your projects supported the Bay Area South Asian community?

Funding Details

- Organization Needs: In addition to grant funding, what is your organization most in need of? (e.g. volunteers, resources, etc.)
- Current Operating Budget: What is your current budget and 2009 fundraising history?
- Amount of Requested Funds, and Fund Plans: How much are you requesting, and what would this grant be put towards?
- 501c3 status: Please provide documentation confirming your 501c3 status or sponsorship, such as your 501c3 determination letter OR the 501c3 determination letter from your fiscal sponsor AND a sponsorship letter from your fiscal sponsor.



Grant Application Questions:

(add organization name above)

Mission & Activities: What is your organization's overall mission statement?

Board of Directors or Leadership Team: Please list your leadership team members by name, title and key responsibilities



Grant Application Questions:

(add organization name above)

Work To-Date: Please include a list and summaries of main current and completed projects



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(add organization name above)

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501(c)3 status: Does your organization have 501c3 status? Circle one: **YES** or **NO**

If yes, please provide a copy of your organization's 501c3 determination letter.

If no, please provide the 501c3 determination letter from your Fiscal Sponsor AND include the following contact information for your sponsor: Name of organization, contact person, address, phone number, email address.

If no, please also provide a copy of your organization's sponsorship agreement with your fiscal sponsor.