

Community Grants Policy

The City of Monte Sereno recognizes the value of Community Based Organizations and their contribution to residents of Monte Sereno. Historically, Community Based Organizations (CBO's) have enhanced the quality of life and provided enjoyment for residents. Most CBO's are comprised of volunteers from Monte Sereno and surrounding communities. Examples of CBO's include but are not limited to service clubs, art, music, or education programs, senior services, and organizations hosting local public events. The City of Monte Sereno has established guidelines for CBO's which allow a fair and equitable opportunity to seek funding grants from the City of Monte Sereno.

Community Based Organization Grants Evaluation Criteria

- 1) The organization or entity must be a local entity, serve Monte Sereno Residents, or have a nexus to the Monte Sereno Community.
- 2) The organization or entity must provide their services or event free to the public.
- 3) The organization or entity must be a non-profit (Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or similar non-profit organization.
- 4) The organization or entity must comply with all local, state, and federal laws including but not limited to non-discrimination requirements.
- 5) The organization or entity must be volunteer led.

Application Process

Applications for fiscal year 2020-2021 must be filed by May 1st, 2020. The City Council will consider applications at the City Council meeting May 19th, 2020 at 7pm in Monte Sereno City Hall.

Insurance Coverage

All CBO's who receive funding grants through The City of Monte Sereno must maintain their own insurance policies for their entities and events. In addition, grantees shall agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Monte Sereno, and its elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers, of all liability and claims which could arise from their organizations or events.

Contact information

Applicants may submit their questions or follow up on the grants process through the City of Monte Sereno Clerk's Office. Contact information is provided below.

Attn: City Clerk

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