

Good Neighbor Grant Request For Applications 2017-18

General Overview

Through Good Neighbor Grant (GNG) funding, First 5 Shasta (F5S), is offering a total of \$25,000 per year to support project costs for efforts that benefit pregnant women, children ages 0-to-5, their families, and providers working on behalf of young children. GNG will support project costs for efforts that do not qualify for any other F5S funding category. Support will be awarded for a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$1,500.

GNG supply small amounts of funding that can make a big difference. First 5 Shasta aims to attract a diverse range of partners, both newcomers and traditional early childhood organizations, by offering Good Neighbor assistance. Projects may include, but are not limited to:

- Community event support
- Education projects or activities
- Projects that provides goods or services directly to families with young children
- Training for providers working with young children and their families

Each GNG request must address one of F5S's Pathway Goals and Initiatives. A strategic plan reflecting the "Pathway to Children Ready for School and Succeeding at Third Grade" framework, selected goals, and initiatives supporting each goal, is available at first5shasta.org. It is highly recommended that all applicants read the Strategic Plan and familiarize themselves with the Pathway framework prior to submitting funding request.

Grant Guidelines and Policies

GNG will be offered in two \$12,500 funding cycles:

- Summer/Fall 2017 (July 5, 2017 through December 31, 2017)
- Winter/Spring 2018 (January 8, 2018 through June 30, 2018)

GNG requests are accepted by F5S on an on-going basis during each open funding cycle or until dedicated funds for that cycle are exhausted, whichever comes first.

Please make note of the following criteria and restrictions for GNG funds:

1. Proposed activities must benefit all or a subset of the following Shasta County residents:
 - a. Pregnant Women
 - b. Parents or Other Caregivers
 - c. Children 0-to-5
 - d. Providers of Early Childhood Services
2. First 5 Shasta funds cannot be used to supplant or take the place of funding for existing services, including existing staff time. Funds must be used to create, enhance, or expand services. Current F5S grantees cannot use GNG funds to supplement or expand their existing F5S scope of work or budget.
3. Groups eligible to request funds include, but are not limited to: individuals, parent groups, church groups, community groups, neighborhood associations, service clubs, schools, non-profit organizations, community-based organizations and government agencies.
4. A specific group cannot receive more than one GNG in a fiscal year.
5. Funds may not be used for capital improvement projects or for fundraising events such as walk-a-thons, tournaments, fashion shows, and/or on-going fundraising expenses in an organization.
6. Requested GNG funds must not fit into any other available F5S funding categories. Funding Opportunities Schedule
7. In recognition of F5S's existing investment in Triple P (Positive Parenting Program), programs providing parenting education focused on child behavior modification must incorporate Triple P into their program design. No other child behavior programs or models will be funded.
8. Proposed activities must be non-discriminatory and tobacco free.

9. North State QRIS Participants should review their request with their Mentor Coach to verify that the request is not eligible for QRIS funding.
10. Funds must be used within the fiscal year.

Grant Application Process

Applying for a GNG is easy! Complete this application electronically, print it, have an Authorized Agent sign it in blue ink, make a copy for your records and either mail or hand-deliver the original to the address below. Applications must include a completed W-9. Electronic transmission either by fax or email will not be accepted.

Good Neighbor Grant
Attn: Executive Director
First 5 Shasta
393 Park Marina Circle
Redding, CA 96001

Grant Funding Process

The F5S Executive Director will exercise discretion in responding to requests for funding. Requests will be evaluated by the Executive Director based on the criteria including, but not limited to: relevancy to a F5S Pathway Goal and Initiative, community needs being addressed, community resources being used, and outreach to a target population.

F5S will notify applicants in writing whether their request was funded or not funded. All funded applicants will be required to sign a liability release. Successful applicants will receive their funds approximately 2 to 3 weeks after the liability release is signed. At the conclusion of a GNG, applicants will be expected to submit:

- Proof of expenditures with copies of receipts
- A brief report that includes :
 - Counts of the number of individuals served with GNG funds
 - Demographics of those served with GNG funds
 - Summary of your project's outcomes.

Good Neighbor Grant Application

Application

This form must be filled out electronically. You will also find all First 5 Shasta funding forms to download in the section titled "Funding" at first5shasta.org.

Applicant Information		
Applicant Legal Name: (MUST MATCH W-9, UNLESS USING A FISCAL AGENT)		
Fiscal Agent, if Applicable: (MUST MATCH W-9)		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Tax ID:	
Contact Person		
First Name:	Last Name:	
Title:	Phone:	
Email:		
Signature Authority		
First Name:	Last Name:	
Title:	Phone:	
Email:		
Type of Applicant: (check one)		
<input type="checkbox"/> County or State Educational Institution	<input type="checkbox"/> County Government Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit/Community Based Organization
<input type="checkbox"/> School District	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Government Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Entity/Institution
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe):		
Is your organization a North State QRIS Participant? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

Application Overview	
Project Title:	
Amount Requested:	Project Completion Date:
Please provide a 2-3 sentence summary of your project and its purpose. Identify at least one result that you expect to achieve.	

Please indicate the First 5 Shasta Pathway Initiative that your grant will address: (choose one)	
GOAL 1: Healthy, Well-Timed Births <input type="checkbox"/> Encourage healthy habits and behavior during pregnancy <input type="checkbox"/> Connect prenatal care with other services that support healthy childbearing	GOAL 4: High-Quality Child Care and Early Education <input type="checkbox"/> Support early care and education to maintain standards of high quality (emphasis on family engagement and on social, cognitive, and emotional growth of children) <input type="checkbox"/> Strengthen the capacity of informal child care providers (emphasis on building provider skills and community supports) <input type="checkbox"/> Create links among early education and services to better mobilize help for individual children
GOAL 2: Health and Development on Track <input type="checkbox"/> Increase access to health screenings and developmental assessments for children <input type="checkbox"/> Connect children to needed services and resources	GOAL 5: Continuity In Early Childhood Experiences <input type="checkbox"/> Support alignment of curricula, expectations, standards and assessments Pre-K to 3rd Grade (emphasis on Pre-K to K)
GOAL 3: Supported and Supportive Families <input type="checkbox"/> Enhance activities that strengthen parenting capacity (emphasis on attachment and building parenting skills) <input type="checkbox"/> Expand activities that help parents cultivate their children's interest in learning (emphasis on literacy) <input type="checkbox"/> Strengthen provider capacity to mobilize services for families (emphasis on substance abuse, mental health, and domestic violence)	

1. Describe your funding request in detail.

2. Describe specifically who your project will serve (target population) and fill in table.

Individuals Served	Estimated # Served
Children 0 – 2	
Children 3 – 5	
*Parents of Children 0-to-5	
Providers	

* "Parents" also includes expectant parents, guardians and primary caregivers.

