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Applications are due May 28 for the City of Ventura “Special Event Permit Fund,” a grant program open to event organizers staging festivals and events in Ventura that activate public space and increase visitor spending. Applications are available at www.cityofventura.net/permits or by contacting Special Event Coordinator Michelle Godoy-Morales at 654-7749 or mgodoy@cityofventura.net.

The grants are to be used to cover all or a portion of special event permit fees levied by the City of Ventura for special events occurring on public property.

The maximum amount of an award is $2,000. Applicants must be a Ventura based nonprofit or an agency partnering with a Ventura based nonprofit. The funding period is available annually. Events occurring between July 2015 and June 2016 are eligible for this grant cycle.

“As the City of Ventura continues to emerge from the recent economic downturn, it is imperative that the vitality of the community be celebrated and supported,” said Community Partnerships Manager Denise Sindelar.

“Entrepreneurial spirit and innovation should be championed wherever possible and private sector/public agency partnerships should be cultivated,” she continued. “The benefits of parades, cultural festivals and special events to Ventura’s identity and livelihood are many and quantifiable.”

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