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**Applications open for Community Partnerships & Cultural Funding Grants**

**Ventura, Calif.** — Applications are now being accepted for the City of Ventura’s Community Partnerships Granting Program (CPGP) and Cultural Funding Granting Program (CFGF). Both grant programs were developed to support nonprofit organizations that provide services to Ventura residents.

“These grants, administered by the Parks and Recreation Department, support our local social service, arts, and cultural nonprofit groups who work hard to serve the many unique needs of Ventura residents,” said Recreation Manager Emily Fox.

The Community Partnerships Granting Program, developed in 1998, is available to 501(c)(3) social service organizations located in Ventura County. \$140,000 is awarded on a competitive basis, with project-based grants ranging in size from \$1,000 to \$20,000 in a two-year cycle during the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 fiscal years.

The Cultural Funding Grant Program, developed in 1993, is available to Ventura-based nonprofit arts and cultural organizations with 501(c)(3) status or that have a Ventura County fiscal agent with 501(c)(3) status. \$90,000 will be awarded on a competitive basis, with grants supporting projects, initiatives, and general operating expenses ranging in size from \$1,000 to \$20,000 in a one-year cycle during the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Applications for both grants are due by 5:00 p.m. (PST) on Tuesday, February 27, 2024. For more information including grant guidelines, eligibility requirements, and applications, visit [www.cityofventura.ca.gov/Grants](http://www.cityofventura.ca.gov/Grants).

Additionally, the City of Ventura’s Special Event Grant Program (SEGP) will be opening in early Spring 2024. This year’s SEGP will include an additional \$150,000 in one-time funding to support free and affordable community events in the City of Ventura. This grant will be available to nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status or that have a Ventura County fiscal agent with 501(c)(3) status, including recipients of grant funding from the Community Partnerships and Cultural Funding Grant Programs. More information will be available on the City’s website in early March 2024.

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