

2017 S.L. Gimbel Foundation Fund Grant Application

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Program / Grant Information

Interest Area:	Animal Protection X	Education X Environmen	it Health Human Dignity		
Program/Project Nam			Amount of Grant Requested		
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Program Start Date (A	Month and Year): October 2	2017 Program End Date	(Month and Year): September 2018		
Gimbel Grants Received: List Year(s) and Award Amount(s): NONE					
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- V. Project Budget and Narrative (Do not delete these instructions on your completed form).
 - A) <u>Budget Table</u>: Provide a detailed line-item budget for your entire project by completing the table below. Requested line items should be limited to Ten (10) line items. The less the better.

A breakdown of specific line item requests and attendant costs should include:

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 - a. Identify and list the type of materials, supplies, equipment, etc.
 - b. Specify the unit cost, number of units, and total cost
 - c. Use a formula/equation as applicable. (i.e. 40 books @ \$100 each = \$4000)
- 2) Line item requests for staff compensation, benefits: Do not use FTE percentages.
 - a. Identify the position; for each position request, **specify the hourly rate and the number of hours** (i.e. \$20/hr x 20 hours/week x 20 weeks = \$8,000)
 - b. For benefits, provide the formula and calculation (i.e. $\$8,000 \times 25\% = \$2,000$)
- 3) Line items on Salaries/Personnel included in budget (contribution or in-kind) but NOT requested from the Gimbel Foundation must be broken down per number 2) above: Provide rate of pay per hour and number of hours.

Line Item Request	Line Item Explanation	Support From Your Agency	Support From Other Funders	Requested Amount From Gimbel/TCF	Line Item Total of Project
Personnel: Stewardship Coordinator	10 hours/week x 40 weeks@ \$36.70/hour= \$14,680		\$7,340	\$7,340	\$14,680
Personnel: Watershed Scientist	10 hours/week x 40 weeks@ \$36.70/hour= \$14,680	\$7,340		\$7,340	\$14,680
Benefits for personnel	\$29,360 x 30% = \$8,808	\$2,202	\$2,202	\$4,404	\$8,808
Travel	640 miles@.55/mile = \$352.00			\$352.00	\$352.00
Materials and Supplies	\$6/student x 1,000 students = \$6,000	\$1,500	\$845	\$3,655	\$6,000
Indirect: covers rent, insurance, audit	10% of salary and benefits (\$29,360 + \$8,808 = \$38,168)	\$954	\$954	\$1,909	\$3,817
TOTALS:		11,796	11,341	\$25,000	\$48,337

B) Narrative: The budget narrative is the justification of "how" and/or "why" a line item helps to meet the project deliverables. Provide a description for each line item request as necessary. Explain how the line item relates to the project. If you are requesting funds to

pay for staff, list the specific duties of each position. See attached SAMPLE Project Budget and Budget Narrative

- 1. Personnel: Stewardship Coordinator--coordinates the teachers and student recruitment, site visit logistics and staffing. 10 hours/week x 40 weeks@, \$36.70/hour= \$14,680
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- 4. Travel: mileage costs for travel to river monitoring sites and schools. 640 miles@.55/mile = \$352.00
- 5. Materials and Supplies: school bus transportation, waders, jars, forceps, poster board, color graph and pictures. \$6/student x 1,000 students = \$6,000.
- 6. Indirect: covers rent, insurance, audit. 10% of salary and benefits (\$29,360 + \$8,808 = \$38,168 x .10 = \$3,817).

VI. Sources of Funding: Please list your current sources of funding and amounts.

Secured/Awarded

Name of Funder: Foundation, Corporation, Government	Amount
Government Contracts	\$764,264
Foundations/Corporations	778,715
Member Dues	89,865
Fundraising/Special Events	37,000
Interest	2,500
Other	2,000

Pending

Name of Funder: Foundation, Corporation, Government	Amount	Decision Date
Government	\$650,000	Expected by 9/30/17
Foundations (multiple)	305,000	
Memberships	55,000	To collect by 12/17
Fundraising/Special Events	85,000	To collect by 12/17
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Diversity of Funding Sources: A financially healthy organization should have a diverse mix of funding sources. Complete those categories that apply to your organization using figures from your most recent fiscal year.

Funding Source	Amount	% of Total Revenue	Funding Source	Amount	% of Total Revenue
Contributions	\$77,214	4.7%	Program Fees	\$9,422	0.6%
Fundraising/Special Events	\$77,525	4.7%	Interest Income	\$2,563	0.2%
Corp/Foundation Grants	\$800,500	48.9%	Other:	\$134,205	8.2%
Government Grants	\$532,908	32.6%	Other:	\$1,963	0.1%

Notes:

Pending amount included under Foundations includes 4 proposals. HRWC should be notified by 9/30/17 whether they have been awarded.

Other income in the amount of \$134,205 is comprised of individual and local government membership dues.

VII. Financial Analysis

Agency Name:	Huron River Watershed Council		
	Year (Dates): From 4/1/15	To:_	3/31/16

This section presents an overview of an applicant organization's financial health and will be reviewed along with the grant proposal. Provide all the information requested on your **entire organization.** Include any notes that may explain any extraordinary circumstances. Information should be taken from your most recent 990 and audit. **Double check your figures!**

Form 990, Part IX: Statement of Functional Expenses

1) Transfer the totals for each of the columns, Line 25- Total functional expenses (page 10)

(A) Total Expenses	(B) Program service	(C) Management & general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
\$1,559,096	\$1,302,535	\$119,743	\$136,818

2) Calculate the percentages of Columns B, C, and D, over A (per totals above)

- Program services (B) A general rule is that at least 75% of total expenses should be used to support programs
- Management & general administration (C) A general rule is that no more than 15% of total expenses should be used for management & general expenses
- Fundraising (D) A general rule is that no more than 10% of total expenses should be used for fundraising

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Total Expenses	Program service	Management &	Fundraising expenses
	expenses	general expenses	
	Columns B / A x 100	Columns C / A x 100	Columns D / A x 100
Must equal 100%	83%	8%	9%

3) Calculate the difference between your CURRENT year budget for management & general expenses and your previous management & general expenses per your 990 (Column C)

Percentage of Organization's <u>Current</u> Total Budget used for Administration	Column C, Management & general expenses per 990 above	Differential
10%	8%	2%

If the differential is above (+) or below (-) 10%, provide an explanation:

Note: These figures are based on the 3/31/16 tax return. Per the 3/31/17 audited statement, Program service expenses = 82%, Management and general expenses = 8% and Fundraising expenses = 10%.

Quick Ratio: Measures the level of liquidity and measures only current assets that can be quickly turned to cash. A generally standard Quick Ratio equals 1 or more.

Cash	+ Accounts Receivables	/Current Liabilities	= Quick Ratio
\$910,035	\$151,070	\$105,707	10.04

Excess or Deficit for the Year:

Excess or (Deficit) Most recent fiscal year end	Excess or (Deficit) Prior fiscal year end
\$148,403	\$29,518

Notes: Per 3/31/17 Audited Financial Statement. Cash includes certificates of deposit which are on deposit with local banks.



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In reply refer to: 0752857580 Apr. 13, 2016 LTR 4168C 0 38-1806452 000000 00

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HURON RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL 1100 N MAIN ST STE 210 ANN ARBOR MI 48104-1059



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Employer ID Number: 38-1806452 Form 990 required: YES

Dear HURON RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL:

This is in response to your request dated Apr. 04, 2016, regarding your tax-exempt status.

We issued you a determination letter in 198702 , recognizing you as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c) (3).

Our records also indicate you're not a private foundation as defined under IRC Section 509(a) because you're described in IRC Sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Donors can deduct contributions they make to you as provided in IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts under IRC Sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

In the heading of this letter, we indicated whether you must file an annual information return. If a return is required, you must file Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-N, or 990-PF by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. IRC Section 6033(j) provides that, if you don't file a required annual information return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked on the filing due date of the third required return or notice.

For tax forms, instructions, and publications, visit www.irs.gov or call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you have questions, call 1-877-829-5500 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., local time, Monday through Friday (Alaska and Hawali follow Pacific Time).



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Ms. Laura Rubin
Executive Director
Huron River Watershed Council
1100 Main Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Dear Ms. Rubin:

Congratulations! A grant has been approved for **Huron River Watershed Council** in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the S.L. Gimbel Foundation. **The performance period for this grant is November 1, 2017 to November 30, 2018**. Additional funding beyond the performance period is not guaranteed. It is highly recommended that alternative funding sources be sought accordingly. The grant is to support the following as specified in your proposal:

Scientific Training and Mentorship to Next Generation

This grant is subject to the terms outlined in the enclosed Grant Agreement. After you have reviewed the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement, please sign and date the agreement and return with original signature to The Community Foundation by Thursday, November 30, 2017. Be sure to copy the signed agreement for your records. Funds will be released upon receipt of the signed Grant Agreement.

A condition of this grant is that you agree to submit the Grant Evaluation Form which includes a narrative report and fiscal report. **The Grant Evaluation is due by December 15, 2018** and will be available online at:

https://www.thecommunityfoundation.net/grants/grants/forms.

We wish you great success and look forward to working with you during the grant performance period. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 951-241-7777.

Sincerely,

Celia Cudiamat

Executive Vice President of Programs

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S. L. Gimbel Foundation Fund Grant Agreement

Organization: Huron River Watershed Council

Grant Amount: \$25,000.00 Grant Number: 20170704

Grant Period: November 1, 2017 to November 30, 2018 (Evaluation Due: December 15, 2018)

Purpose: Scientific Training and Mentorship to Next Generation

1. Use of Grant Funds

Grant funds must be expended within the grant period, for the purpose and objectives described in your grant proposal. Grant funds may not be expended for any other purpose without prior written approval by The Community Foundation. If there are significant difficulties in making use of the funds as specified in your proposal, or if the grant funds cannot be spent within the grant period, notify us in writing promptly.

Formal requests for extensions or variances must be submitted to the Foundation's Board of Directors for approval <u>a</u> minimum of 60 days before the end of the grant period.

Requests for variances or extensions are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and approved by the Board of Directors. If a request is denied, unused funds must be immediately refunded to the Foundation.

Grant funds will not be expended for any political or lobbying activity or for any purpose other than one specified in section 170(c)(2)(b) of the Code.

2. Payment of Grant Funds

The grant funds will be paid in full by the Foundation upon receipt of the signed Grant Agreement. Challenge grant funds will be paid in full upon receipt of the signed Grant Agreement and upon receipt of documentation providing evidence that condition(s) of the challenge grant has/have been met.

3. Certification and Maintenance of Exempt Organization Status

This grant is specifically conditioned upon Grantee's status as an eligible grantee of The Community Foundation. The Foundation has obtained a copy of the Grantee's IRS determination letter. Grantee confirms that it has not had any change in its legal or tax-exempt status, and shall notify the Foundation immediately of any such change.

4. Final Report and Records

The Grantee will submit the Grant Evaluation report per the deadline set forth in the award letter. This report includes a narrative on outcomes based on goals and objectives set forth in the grant proposal and an expenditure report documenting use of grant funds. If equipment was purchased, copies of receipts need to be included.

5. Grantee's Financial Responsibilities

Grantee will keep records of receipts and expenditures of grant funds and other supporting documentation related to the grant at least four (4) years after completion of the grant and will make such records of receipts, expenditures and supporting documentation available to the Foundation upon request, for the purpose of conducting financial audits, making verifications, and investigations as deemed necessary concerning the grant.

6. Publicity

The Community Foundation appreciates publicity for the grant in all relevant published materials, such as brochures, newsletters and annual reports. The credit line of "Made possible in part by a grant from "The Community Foundation, Strengthening Inland Southern California through Philanthropy" is suggested. The Grantee will allow the Foundation to review and approve the content of any proposed publicity concerning the grant prior to its release, upon request. When your donors are listed in printed materials, include the Foundation in the appropriate contribution size category. Sending a brief press release to your local paper is appreciated. Please email Charee Gillins, our Marketing & Communications Officer, at cgillins@thecommunityfoundation.net with copies of any printed or publicity materials that highlight the grant. When publishing our name, please note the "The" at the beginning of our name is a legal part of our name. It should always be used and capitalized. Attaching a logo is also appreciated. Our logo can be downloaded on our website at www.thecommunityfoundation.net.

Grantee agrees to allow the Foundation to include information about this grant in the Foundation's periodic public report, newsletter, news releases, social media postings, and on the Foundation's website. This includes the amount and purpose of the grant, any photographs you have provided, your logo or trademark, and other information and materials about your organization and its activities.

7. Indemnification

In the event that a claim of any kind is asserted against the Grantee or the Foundation related to or arising from the project funded by the Grant and a proceeding is brought against the Foundation by reason of such claim, the Grantee, upon written notice from the Foundation, shall, at the Grantee's expense, resist or defend such action or proceeding, at no cost to the Foundation, by counsel approved by the Foundation in writing.

Grantee hereby agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Foundation , its offices, directors, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) directly, indirectly, wholly, or partially arising from or in connection with any act or omission by Grantee, its employees, or agents in applying for or accepting the Grant, in expending or applying the Grant funds or in carrying out any project or program supported by the Grant, except to the extent that such claims, liabilities, losses, and expenses arise from or in connection with any bad faith act or omission by the Foundation, its officers, directors, employees, or agent.

8. Termination

The Community Foundation may terminate this agreement, modify or withhold payments under this grant award, require a total or partial refund of any grant funds, or all at any time, if, in the Community Foundation's judgment: a) The Community Foundation is not satisfied with the quality of the Grantee's progress toward achieving the project goals and objectives; b) the Grantee dissolves or fails to operate; c) the Grantee fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement; d) the Grantee fails to comply with the requirements of any law or regulation applicable to you, the Foundation, or this grant.

9. Limitation of Support

This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the Grant and supersedes any previous oral or written understandings or agreements.

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement.

Signature

Date

Laura Rubin

Printed Name

Title

Organization: Huron River Watershed Council

Grant Number: 20170704

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Huron River Watershed Council

1100 Main Street

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Dear Ms. Rubin:

The Community Foundation is pleased to enclose a grant check for \$25,000 from the S. L. Gimbel Foundation, a component fund at The Community Foundation. By cashing the grant check, you are agreeing to the conditions stated under the *Terms of Grant* which you have signed and returned. The completed Grant Evaluation form is

due by December 15, 2018 and will be available online on The Community

Foundations website under: https://www.thecommunityfoundation.net/grants/forms. Please note that any grant variances or extensions must be requested in writing and in advance. Any remaining grant funds must be returned to The Community

Foundation at the end of the grant period.

We greatly appreciate any help you can give us in publicizing the grant. Please use the following credit in any grant announcements or materials funded by the grant: "Huron River Watershed Council is supported by a grant from The S. L. Gimbel Foundation." You may send us copies of articles printed in local papers, stories in your agency newsletter, annual report, press releases, and other publications for our

files.

Please feel free to contact me at 951-241-7777 should you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

Celia Cudiamat

Executive Vice President of Programs

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Huron River Watershed Council 1100 Main Street Ann Arbor, MI 48104

DATE 11/16/2017

AMOUNT ****25,000.00

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