

Neighborhood Council Funding Program
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Encino Neighborhood Council

SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a) Friends of the Los Angeles River 95-4171497 California Feb. 3, 1989
Organization Name *Federal I.D. # (EIN#)* *State of Incorporation* *Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)*

1b) 570 W Avenue 26, Suite 250 Los Angeles CA 90065
Organization Mailing Address *City* *State* *Zip Code*

1c) _____
Business Address (if different) *City* *State* *Zip Code*

1d) **PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:**
Kristen Brown (323) 208-9105 kristen@folar.org
Name *Phone* *Email*

2) **Type of Organization- Please select one:**
 Public School *(not to include private schools)* or 501(c)(3) Non-Profit *(other than religious institutions)*
Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead **Attach IRS Determination Letter**

3) _____
Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable) *City* *State* *Zip Code*

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) **Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.**

Each year, FoLAR organizes the annual Great LA River CleanUp. This event is ranked as one of the largest urban river cleanups in the country and is well-known as one of the most significant environmental stewardship opportunities in Los Angeles. This year the event will be renamed "Earth With Us: The Great LA River CleanUp", and will be hosted on April 15 and April 22. FoLAR will host multiple Earth With Us sites along the Los Angeles River, including two sites within ENC boundaries — a river cleanup at the Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex on April 15, and a habitat restoration event at the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Reserve on April 22. The funds received from this grant will help FoLAR cover the costs of permit fees, porta-potties, and work gloves at the Encino sites.

5) **How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)**

Over two weekends in April, FoLAR's Earth With Us: The Great LA River CleanUp will mobilize thousands of volunteers to work together to remove trash and invasive plants from the LA River and its tributaries. The sites within ENC boundaries are critical areas to restore because they are within the Sepulveda Basin and are characterized by verdant riparian habitat and a wide variety of urban wildlife, including over 200 species of birds. The lush vegetation along this stretch of River makes it easy for trash to snag and pollute the water that is so important to wildlife and Angelenos alike, while invasive plant species reduce the liveable habitat for local and migratory birds. Our Earth With Us events offer volunteers an opportunity to make an immediate, hands-on impact on LA's urban ecosystems and understand firsthand how a healthy and thriving LA River benefits River-adjacent communities like Encino, visitors to the LA River, and LA's urban wildlife.

SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

6b)	Non-Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
	Permit fees, porta-potties, and work gloves at the Encino sites	\$2,300	\$ see email note
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?
 No Yes If Yes, please list names of NCs: Atwater Village NC, Elysian Valley Riverside NC, Lake Balboa NC

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs) No Yes If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$2,300

10a) Start date: 04/15/23 10b) Date Funds Required: 03/31/23 10c) Expected Completion Date: 04/22/23
 (After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?
 No Yes If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?
 Yes No ***(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

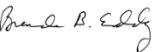
SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*

<u>Candice Dickens-Russell</u>	<u>President & CEO</u>	<u></u>	<u>03/01/23</u>
<i>PRINT Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED*

<u>Brenda Eddy</u>	<u>Board Secretary</u>	<u></u>	<u>03/05/23</u>
<i>PRINT Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org for instructions on completing this form

Included Attachments

Project Completion Report Form (2022)	Pages 4 - 5
Major Events Budget	Page 6
IRS Determination Letter	Page 7
Board of Directors Roster	Pages 8 - 9
Organization Operating Budget	Page 10
Form 990 (2020)	Pages 11 - 12

The Great LA River CleanUp 2022: Sepulveda Basin South Reserve

Presented By



US Army Corps of Engineers®



Major Events Budgetted Expenses FY 22-23

TOTAL

Expense

57000 · Event and Program Expense		
67001 · Advertising for Event		4,000.00
67025 · Design work		1,500.00
67055 · Equipment Rental for Event		1,800.00
67065 · License & Fees		3,850.00
67090 · Supplies		10,000.00
67095 · Travel		1,450.00
67110 · Photography		8,000.00
67160 · Outside Contract Services		
67160-1 · Consultant		5,100.00
67160-2 · Marketing		6,750.00
67160-3 · PR Consulting		0.00
67160-5 · Temp Help		15,100.00
67160-7 · Translation Services		450.00
Total 67160 · Outside Contract Services		27,400.00
67190 · Meals		5,300.00
67200 · In-kind Contributions		10,000.00
Total 57000 · Event and Program Expense		73,300.00
65000 · Operations		
65024 · Merchant Fees		500.00
66000 · Payroll Expenses		
66010 · Wages and Salaries		
66014 · Staff		90,630.00
Total 66010 · Wages and Salaries		90,630.00
66020 · Payroll Tax Expenses		7,250.40
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses		97,880.40
Total 65000 · Operations		98,380.40
	Total Expense	171,680.40

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
2 CUPANIA CIRCLE
MONTEREY PARK, CA 91755-7406

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: 12-15-94

Employer Identification Number:
95-4171497
Case Number:
954264007
Contact Person:
JOSEPH FAN
Contact Telephone Number:
(818) 441-6841
Addendum Applies:
No

FRIENDS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER
C/O ROBERT L. WARNOCK, JR.
P.O. BOX 292134
LOS ANGELES, CA 90029-8634

Dear Applicant:

Based on the information you recently submitted, we have classified your organization as one that is not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code because you are described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in 501(c)(3) is still in effect.

This classification is based on the assumption that your operations will continue as you have stated. If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status.

This supersedes our letter dated July 11, 1994.

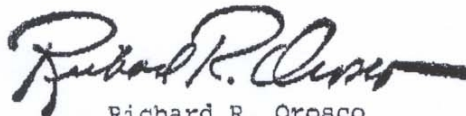
Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,



Richard R. Orosco
District Director

Board of Directors

Natasha Keefer

Board Chair

Clean Power Alliance, Director of Power Planning and Procurement

Brenda Eddy

Secretary

Right Management, Senior Vice President

M-K O'Connell

Treasurer

M2O, Inc. Managing Director

Marissa Christiansen

The Water Foundation, Lead of the Water Table

Vikrum Aiyer

Deputy Director at ACLU

Ruth Coleman

Relationship Coffee Institute (RCI), Executive Director

Steve Veres

California State Senate, Senator Maria Elena Durazo, District Director and Special Advisor
California State Senate, Deputy Chief of Staff, Senate President Pro Tem Emeritus Kevin De Leon

Ed Othmer

Stantec, Vice President North America Wet Weather Sector Leader

Jamie Carlson

Lunya, Chief Operating Officer

Advisory Board

Mike Kelley

Cascadia Capital, Senior Vice President

Mia Lehrer

Studio MLA, President

Ocean MacAdams

Fandom, Interim General Manager

Pauline Louie

Urban Waters Federal Partnership, National Steering Committee
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Senior Management Analyst

Damon Nagami

Natural Resources Defense Council's Southern California Ecosystems Project, Senior Attorney
and Director

Dan Rosenfeld

Urban Partners, LLC, Founding Member
Real Estate Investor

Nestor Valencia

Adventist Health, Contracts Associate
ISM General Consulting Services, Management Consulting

Alex Ward

Alex Ward, Principal Architect

5:16 PM
11/10/22
Accrual Basis

**Friends of the Los Angeles River
Profit & Loss Budget Overview
August 2022 through July 2023**

Ordinary Income/Expense

TOTAL
Aug '22 - Jul 23

Income

40000 · Restricted	\$ 998,329.99
41000 · Unrestricted Income	\$ 554,318.24
46000 · Gifts in Kind - Goods	\$ -
46400 · Other Types of Income	\$ -

Total Income

\$ 1,552,648.23

Gross Profit

\$ 1,552,648.23

Expense

57000 · Event and Program Expense	\$ 424,298.34
62100 · Contract Services	\$ 72,200.00
62800 · Facilities and Equipment	\$ 42,984.00
65000 · Operations	\$ 975,418.75
68300 · Travel and Meetings	\$ 4,200.00
69999 · ICR	\$ 59,329.99

Total Expense

\$ 1,578,431.08

Net Ordinary Income

\$ (25,782.85)

Net Income.

\$ (25,782.85)

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2020

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Open to Public Inspection

A For the **2020** calendar year, or tax year beginning **8/01**, **2020**, and ending **7/31**, **2021**

B Check if applicable:	C	D Employer identification number
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change	Friends of the Los Angeles River 570 West Avenue 26 Los Angeles, CA 90065-1034	95-4171497
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change		E Telephone number
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return		(323) 223-0585
<input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated		G Gross receipts \$ 1,442,266.
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return		
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	F Name and address of principal officer:	H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Same As C Above	H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions

I Tax-exempt status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3)	<input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (insert no.)	<input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or	<input type="checkbox"/> 527
J Website:	▶ https://folar.org/			
K Form of organization:	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Trust	<input type="checkbox"/> Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶
L Year of formation:				M State of legal domicile:

Part I Summary

	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>Friends of the Los Angeles River ("FOLAR") is a non-profit organization founded in 1986 to protect and restore the natural and historic heritage of the Los Angeles River and its riparian habitat through inclusive planning, education and wise stewardship.</u>			
Activities & Governance	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.			
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3		9
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4		0
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2020 (Part V, line 2a)	5		14
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6		0
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a		0.
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b		0.
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year	
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	455,805.	1,430,703.	
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	18,695.	11,525.	
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	318.	38.	
	12 Total revenue – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	474,818.	1,442,266.	
	Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)				
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)		508,902.	774,128.	
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)				
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <u>117,849.</u>				
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)		237,351.	340,651.	
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	746,253.	1,114,779.		
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-271,435.	327,487.		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year	
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	276,949.	597,267.	
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	231,082.	223,913.	
		45,867.	373,354.	

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here		Date
	Signature of officer	
	Marissa Bates	CFO/COO
	Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN	
	Stephen Henson, CPA	Stephen Henson, CPA			P00546849	
	Firm's name	▶ Henson and Company, CPA's, Inc			Firm's EIN ▶	95-4588057
	Firm's address	▶ 1414 Fair Oaks Ave Suite 6			Phone no.	(626) 403-4410
		South Pasadena, CA 91030-6222				

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

See Schedule O

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [] Yes [X] No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [] Yes [X] No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 831,267. including grants of \$ 331,581.) (Revenue \$)

FOLAR was founded on the belief that effective advocacy, education, collaboration and imagination can accomplish great things. We know first-hand that urban restoration requires creativity, technical knowledge and tenacity - but also that our goals, whilw vast and visionary, are also undeniably attainable:

- 1) Restoring the L.A. River's natural habitat
2) Developing recreational and commuter bikeways, pedestrian paths and horse trails on the riverbanks; as well as places for canoeing and kayaking in the river.
3) Applying flood-protection technologies that emphasize the restoration of a healthy ecosystem.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 831,267.