



Developing Resiliency through Education, the Arts and Mentoring

Funding Application and Guidelines

2009-2010

Mission and History:

Project DREAM is a 501 c 3 non-profit organization committed to raising funds to support enrichment activities for students who live in Twin Rivers Unified School District neighborhoods. DREAM activities encourage a love of learning by providing experiences in the arts, sports, and field trips that take students out of their immediate neighborhood.

DREAM began in North Sacramento in October 2004 with a private donation of \$10,000 to fund enrichment programs for the at risk students in our schools. Our board has made the commitment that 95% of all funds raised go directly to student activities and we only fund programs that can't be funded through state or federal funds. No salaries are paid for through DREAM.

Thanks to the generous financial support of TRUSD staff, business supporters and the larger community, nearly \$150,000 has been given back to schools and local non profits within TRUSD over the last 5 years. The DREAM board reviews funding requests at their monthly board meetings. Grants are only awarded when they meet program requirements and as funding is available.

DREAM funds programs such as:

- Trips to the ocean, mountains, local universities, theatres, major sporting events or other places of interest out of the immediate neighborhood
- Uniforms, fees or supplies for elementary or junior high athletic teams.
- Workshops or conferences for students to build their leadership skills and/or give them exposure to college or university life.
- Stipends for artists to work with students on murals or other art programs
- Equipment and supplies for drama performances, choirs or musical groups.
- Up to \$50 per student for 6th grade science camp
- Programs that support mentoring activities outside of school

How to donate to DREAM?

DREAM grants are only possible through donations from our employees, community and business partners. 95% of all funds raised go directly back to programs for our students. Make checks payable to Project DREAM and send to Kate Bishop-Hazarian, DREAM Co-Founder at the TRUSD mailing address: 3222 Winona Dr., North Highlands, CA 95660. Donations can also be made online at www.dreamtwinrivers.org . DREAM's non-profit number is 30-0475870.

Funding Guidelines:

- Schools or non-profits are expected to cover a significant portion of the cost (at least 50% is suggested) of a project through use of site funds, site-based fundraisers, business donations or contributions from families. In-kind support of a project is also considered (i.e. donation of staff time, materials, space, etc.)
- DREAM funds enrichment programs, not core curriculum or other district adopted programs.
- DREAM does not replace booster club funding of high school sports or arts programs.
- Priority for funding is given to schools and communities with a high poverty rate.

- DREAM will not pay for staff salaries, but can be used to contract for services, purchase materials or pay for enrichment programs for students, especially field trips that take students out of the immediate neighborhood.
- Assemblies are occasionally funded, though they are not generally supported by DREAM.
- All schools who receive DREAM funding are asked to participate in our annual fundraiser and encourage parents and employees to make financial contributions to help support DREAM.
- Grants are generally in the range of \$500 to \$2,000.

Funding Request Deadlines

Fax to 566-3586 or email to kate.bishop@twinriversusd.org

Funding Application Due:

Tuesday, Sept. 1
 Tuesday, Oct. 6
 Tuesday, Nov. 3
 Tuesday, Dec. 1
 Tuesday, Jan. 5
 Tuesday, Jan. 26
 Tuesday, March 2
 Tuesday, April 6
 Tuesday, May 4

Board Review Date:

Tuesday, Sept. 15
 Tuesday, Oct. 20
 Tuesday, Nov. 17
 Tuesday, Dec. 15
 Tuesday, Jan. 19
 Tuesday, Feb. 9
 Tuesday, March 16
 Tuesday, April 20
 Tuesday, May 18

All applicants will receive notification via email or letter about the status of your request within one week of the board review date. If your project is not funded, you will be notified why.



Budget Justification

School: _____

Project Title: _____

Complete proposed budget for requested funds. **Attach estimates that you've received for the cost of services. Do not guess at amounts. Show proof of needed funds.** List specifically what you will purchase with the funds requested and cost.

Example:	
To be purchased:	Cost:
1 TRUSD bus to San Francisco	\$550 (estimate attached)
50 tickets to the DeYoung Museum	\$387.50 (\$7.75 x 50)
Total project cost:	\$937.50
Amount raised from school:	- \$500
Amount requested from DREAM:	\$437.50

To be purchased:	Cost:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Total Project Cost:	_____
Amount raised by school:	- _____
Amount requested from DREAM:	_____

I will support DREAM fundraising efforts by:

- Attending the annual fundraiser
- Donate an item or help my site create a gift basket for the fundraiser auction
- Making a financial donation to DREAM
- Volunteer to assist with an activity

Request for funding approved or denied? _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____