

Hill Country Rally for Kids, Inc.

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Grant Guidelines and Application Forms

INTRODUCTION

The Purpose of the Foundation

The Hill Country Rally for Kids exists to raise funds for kids in need. These funds will be redistributed to other 501(c)3 organizations which assist kids and youth in the Texas Hill Country area, or directly to youth in need of assistance.

Mission and Vision

MISSION

To bring awareness of needs for children and youth in the Texas Hill country area and assist in meeting these needs through the Hill Country Rally for Kids annual event.

VISION

We believe if we can step into a kid's life when they are in need, it will give them the opportunity to persevere through their trials with our assistance and guidance, provide a sense of belonging and confidence, and enable them to become strong and healthy young men and women.

GRANT CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

Grant Making Priorities

Look for opportunities where kids or youth are in need of the following (but not limited to the following):

- Boy Scouts;
- Girl Scouts;
- College funds;
- Healthcare; and
- Trade or College tuition.

Eligible Grant Applicants

Kids in need and public interest non-profits providing services to children within the Hill Country area may apply (application forms are attached).

Length of Grant Award

Generally, grant awards will be for a period not to exceed one year. The Hill Country Rally for Kids may award renewal grants for projects that are ongoing or take multiple years to accomplish. Grantees eligible for renewal will be required to meet and/or show significant progress toward the project's performance goals, as well as deliver the expected outcomes.

Limitations

Grants will **NOT** be made in support of the following:

- Organizations that are not charitable, 501(c)(3) organizations;
- Religious, political, or lobbying purposes;
- Loans;
- Grants for the establishment of or addition to endowments;
- Grants for fund-raising events;
- Grants to fund operating expenses (utilities, administrative costs, etc.) unless such operating expenses directly support a proposed project;
- Grants for personal projects or entrepreneurial projects;
- Grants to fund overhead or an organization's overall budget.

Requirements

Grant recipients are required to give recognition to the Hill Country Rally for Kids on any printed or visual materials used in conjunction with the grant. Example: "This project was made possible through a grant from the Hill Country Rally for Kids." We also request photos or video clips and permission to print. A form of release is attached. Please have the form filled out by any individuals included in photos or video clips sent to the Rally.

All grant recipients must submit a report and accounting to the Hill Country Rally for Kids within one year of receiving the grant to identify the specific use of awarded funds, any written or published materials created with the funds, and the overall results of the project.

Deadline

Applications must be sent to Hill Country Rally for Kids no later than 4:00 p.m. on Dec 31st, 2023. One copy of the application and attachments should be sent to Hill Country Rally (in PDF format) to hcrally@gmail.com. Applicants will be informed of the results of their grant application on or before Jan 30, 2025.

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS & CHECKLIST

- _____ Application Form (following)
- _____ Proposal (following)
- _____ Current fiscal year's budget
- _____ Complete program budget
- _____ A list of all possible funding sources including the status of the request (i.e., approved, pending, date to be submitted, declined)
- _____ Previous year's financial statements (audited if possible)
- _____ List of the Board of Directors with affiliations
- _____ Copy of the current IRS determination letter indicating 501(c)(3) status
- _____ Most recent IRS Form 990

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Grant Application Form (Organization)

Date of Application: _____

Legal Name of Organization: _____

Executive Director: _____

Contract Person (if different from Executive Director): _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Telephone: _____

Chair or President of Board of Directors: _____

PROJECT TITLE _____

TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET _____ **AMOUNT REQUESTED** _____

Briefly describe your request for funds and include how they meet our grant criteria and guidelines:

- 1) Is there a deadline for receipt of grant? _____
- 2) Is a matching grant appropriate and are you amenable to such a grant? _____
- 3) If your organization has received a grant from the Hill Country Rally for Kids previously, please detail amount of grant and nature of program: _____
- 4) If this application is approved, would your Executive Director be willing to report to the Hill Country Rally for Kids Board of Directors? _____
- 5) Please list additional programs in Texas Hill Country area of which you are aware that offer similar programs and services: _____

In the event that this application is approved for funding, applicant understands that the Hill Country Rally will require completion of a grant evaluation form.

Date _____ Signature _____

Applications By Organizations Must Include

Please include the following information:

1. Organization Information (Organization Applicants)

- Summarize your organization's history.
- State the organization's mission and goals.
- Outline current programs and activities.
- Highlight organizational accomplishments.
- Does the organization have any office/branches/affiliates/parents/programs, etc. outside of the Texas Hill country area?

2. Purpose of Grant

- Describe the proposed program or project.
- Identify the needs, problems, and/or opportunities to be addressed. What are the challenges to the project? Who else in the specified area is addressing this issue?
- Identify the target population/geographic community served and how they will benefit. How will you reach this community?
- Outline the key staff and volunteers' qualifications and experience critical to the project.
- Identify other organizations and/or partners participating in the project and their roles.
- Provide a timetable for the project.
- Identify long-term funding resources for the project. How will the project be sustained?

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SIGNED (if 18 years of age or older):

**PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN, on
behalf of the minor subject:**

Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____

Tel: _____

Email: _____

Email: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

*If the subject of this agreement is a minor, his or her parent or legal guardian shall sign on the minor's behalf, certifying that s/he has read and consents to this agreement on behalf of the minor.