

Mini-Grant Application

Application must be completely filled out and submitted in compliance with procedures and criteria on page 2.

Section 1

Name:	Position (circle one):	Student	Teacher	Staff
Describe the purpose of your request. If a Include ACTIVITY DATES, FUNDING DEAD			d/or inforn	nation:
Check made payable to: (include mailing	address and any pertinent information)			
Requestor Signature:	Date:			
Section 2 (filled out by school I have met with the applicant and fully end Notes:		ugh the Co	ugar Foun	dation
Signature:	Printed Name & Title:			





SUPPORTING STUDENTS, TRADITIONS AND EXCELLENCE

Policy on Providing Funds for Grant Requests

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Any Entity with an ongoing mission at Sahuaro High School may petition The Cougar Foundation Board for financial assistance with initiatives that directly benefit Sahuaro High School staff and students.

Eligibility Criteria

- Need: The Requesting Entity must demonstrate justifiable need.
- <u>Contribution to Own Cause:</u> The Requesting Entity must show evidence of their commitment by explaining their fundraising efforts, including whether or not they have organized events, sought sponsorships, or investigated other fundraising opportunities to raise a portion of the funds needed.

The Cougar Foundation recognizes the unique funding challenges faced by school programs and will take those circumstances into consideration when evaluating financial requests.

<u>Partnership and Outreach:</u> The Requesting Entity must agree to collaborate with The Cougar Foundation in an effort
to increase visibility and outreach. This includes participating in Foundation events, sharing their experiences with
potential donors, advertising The Cougar Foundation at their events, and helping to promote the Foundation's
mission.

Application Process

- <u>Submission:</u> The Requesting Entity must submit a formal application including a minimum of 2 detailed quotes
 from vendors, an explanation of their vendor preference (where applicable), evidence of their fundraising efforts or
 plans, and an outline of how they will contribute to the Foundation's outreach. To ensure prompt consideration,
 applications must be submitted 2 weeks ahead of Cougar Foundation monthly board meetings, which take place
 on the second Monday of each month.
- Review: Applications will be reviewed by The Cougar Foundation Board. The review will assess the Requesting Entity's financial need, their commitment to seeking funds from other sources, and their proposed partnership activities.
- <u>Decision:</u> The Cougar Foundation Board will make a decision based on the completeness of the application, the Requesting Entity's demonstrated need, and their willingness to engage in partnership activities. Requesting Entities will be notified of the decision within 3 days of The Cougar Foundation Board's vote on the proposal.

Funding and Accountability

- <u>Funding Amount</u>: The amount of funding provided will be determined based on the total need and the Requesting Entity's fundraising efforts, where applicable.
- <u>Documentation</u>: Requesting Entities must provide receipts and documentation of expenditures to ensure funds are used appropriately.

Rejection of a grant request

• In the event that a grant request is not approved, the Requesting Entity will be provided with an explanation of The Cougar Foundation Board's reasoning and an invitation to resubmit an amended version of their request.

By adhering to this policy, The Sahuaro High Cougar Foundation, Inc. aims to support the ongoing missions of Sahuaro High School while fostering a spirit of collaboration and mutual benefit.

