

County of Marin Community Service Fund Program Application Form

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Request is for Fiscal Year: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Application Date (public) Thursday, March 31, 2022

Project Number 48

Organization Information

Full Legal Name (public) Rise Scholars, Inc.

Organization URL (public) www.riseforthekids.org

Mission

What is the mission/purpose of your organization? (Limited to 1000 characters) (public)

Our mission at RISE Scholars is to empower Hamilton School students to realize their full personal and academic potential by providing them with an array of targeted and thoughtful curricular and co-curricular opportunities that support the development of a growth mindset, a positive attitude, and high achievement.

Grant Request Information

Program/Project Name (public) Transportation

Provide a very brief summary description of your project. (Limited to 250 characters) (public) As we continue to provide opportunities at Hamilton School for students from low income homes, one of our biggest challenges is transportation.

Amount Requested Dollar (public) 10000

Total Project Cost (public) 20000

Being as specific as possible, describe the proposed project/program and its goal(s). Include implementation plans as related to the COVID 19 pandemic and identify what elements of the project would be paid for using County funds. (Limited to 2000 characters) (public)

We need help with transportation. In order for our students to get the most out of our Athletic and Chess programs we need to be able to take them off campus. We have been able to hire an Athletic Director as well as a Chess Director this year. With these hires, we will be able to have comprehensive athletic and chess programs for our students in grades 2 through 8. A comprehensive athletic program includes skill based practices and league meets and games. We are able to do this for all of our athletics. In addition, our Chess program is already thriving we many of our students are participating in the California State Championships in Santa Clara. Without the ability to get off campus, our students will not be able to get the full value of these programs. Confidence, Courage, and Community

come from the ability to grow further than Hamilton School. We want our students to leave Hamilton School and have the ability to join the soccer team or the basketball team, etc. having had the experience of playing on a real team in real competition. The only way to do this is to join the Marin County leagues and provide transportation to these events. Currently we are hiring busses for these events. We will continue to work on the most sustainable way to transport our kids to and from these events.

In addition, we need help with transportation during our summer program this year as it will not be held at Hamilton School due to construction.

List all community interests that will be affected by the proposed project/program and the public benefit to be derived from it. (Limited to 2000 characters) (public)

The Hamilton community, the city of Novato, and Marin County are affected by our projects and programs because our students at Hamilton School need opportunity in order to grow into their full personal and academic potential.

There are countless research studies showing that kids who are involved in extracurricular activities fare better on just about every conceivable metric- they earn better grades, have high self-esteem, are less likely to get in trouble and so forth.

Marin County is a tough place for our kids because there is such a discrepancy in the lives of students from low income families and their peers from more privileged homes. If our kids are going to feel comfortable trying out for soccer, cross country, basketball, track and field, etc. they need to have a real experience and that includes leagues, games, and meets.

Has your organization received Community Service funds before? (public)

Yes

If Yes, please list the total amount received for the past three fiscal years: (public)

	Amount (\$)	Project
FY 2020-2021	3000	Chess program
FY 2019-2020		
FY 2018-2019		

Is your organization receiving any other County funding for this project or others? (public)

No

Can you successfully complete your project by June 30, 2021 if you receive less than your requested amount of Community Service funds? (public)

Yes

Applicants are encouraged to leverage funding from other non-County sources, and priority will be given to requests that represent no more than 50% of total project cost. To demonstrate all sources of project funding, including other County sources, please provide a project/program budget below.

Please fill in as applicable, and round to the nearest dollar. (public)

	Funding Agency	Funding Requested (\$)	Funding Received (\$)	Notes
County CSF		10000	0	
Federal Grant				
State Grant				
Individual Contributions		20000	0	
Other Local Agencies				
In kind services				
Other				

Total Funding Requested \$30000

Total Funding Received \$0

Please fill in as applicable, and round to the nearest dollar.

	Budgeted (\$)	Spent to Date(\$)	Notes
Personnel Costs			
Services and Supplies	20000	1500	
Capital			
Other			

Total Budgeted Expenses (public) \$20000

Total Spent to Date (public) \$1500

This cycle is funded by proceeds from the American Rescue Plan Act and the following questions are necessary to satisfy federal reporting criteria. All applicants are required to respond to these questions for completion of this application, but the responses will not be used in evaluating whether your project will receive Community Service Fund program funds from the County of Marin.

Has your organization been significantly impacted economically by COVID (such as financial loss due to periods of closure, implementing additional COVID safety precautions, lost fundraising opportunities, or inability to meet payroll, rent or utilities?) (public)

No

Are you serving disadvantaged, minority or low-income residents who have been negatively impacted by COVID? (public)

Yes

If Yes, please provide a specific description of how the people you serve have been impacted. (public)

Our community has been severely affected by the pandemic. The students have had an incredibly hard time due to the disruption of school and the inability to learn remotely. In addition, their families have been affected financially and emotionally due to the pandemic. Many have lost their jobs or have reduced hours. Many could not go to work because of the fact that their kids were home from school due to school closures. Even now as things open up we see a difference in the emotional state of the students. It is going to take a while to heal from the pandemic.

Does your organization have future plans for improvements needed to mitigate the impacts of COVID or to contain its spread? (public)

No