



**County of Marin
Community Service Fund Program
Application Form**

Application Date September 1, 2016

Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

Organization Information

Full Legal Name: Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church

Organization URL: <http://www.sleepyhollowchurch.org/wp/about/environmental-stewardship/>

Mission/purpose of your organization:

The SHPC mission statement includes the following core elements. “working towards a world of kindness, justice, and peace for all. ... promoting tolerance and acceptance; education; support for families in need; inclusivity; encouraging youth and adults to explore their beliefs; providing leadership in our local and global communities; striving to make the world a better place. The Justice Garden team and Green Team advance social and environmental health. The team practices organic, sustainable farming including water and energy conservation. The team endeavors to alleviate local hunger and to empower communities to engage in eco-friendly gardening practices. The Garden nourishes the soul and the body by providing a support for and a space for education, collaboration, community building, improved health, and spiritual growth. The Garden is supported by the Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church, the local community, and Bay Area organizations.

Grant Request Information

Program/Project Name: Installation of Solar Panels - Climate Change Project

Amount Requested Dollar: \$5,000.00

Total Project Cost: \$18,000.00

Description of the proposed project/program, including the proposed project's goal(s), and the nature of the costs in specific terms, i.e. materials, labor costs, etc. Specifics of how the requested County funds will be used.

Our Small Steps to Sustainability program Provides healthy food to Marin’s low-income population and demonstrates environmental leadership. Small Steps projects are designed to work synergistically. We are seeking Marin County support to help fund the next important Small Steps project –rooftop solar panels. Our; • Solar power system helps us move to a low-carbon future by sustainably generating electricity. Our system will save about 32,000 gallons of water from conventional electricity generation, and cut our CO2 emissions about 200,000 pounds. • Sustainably generated electricity will power our irrigation system. • Irrigation system draws water from our rainwater recycling system. • Recycled rainwater supports our Justice Garden. • Justice Garden feeds low-income youth and seniors and the unhoused in Marin. How grant funds will be used / Project Budget Your investment of \$5,000 will help us pay for a high quality 3.6 kW solar panel system rated to produce 95-98% of original power for 25 years. Your investment added to currently raised funds gets us more than half the way to our goal. We hope to secure additional grants of up to \$2,500. Fundraising as of 9/1/16: Online donations and donations received by check: \$9,000 Cost: Up-front solar panel installation and materials: \$18,085 Solar panel project meets all Marin County criteria for this grant and fits with Marin County priorities: • This is a one-time funding need • We have matching dollars • Funds a sustainability program we intend to help others replicate. • Marin County has an established Climate Action Plan. Our solar panels will help the County achieve progress toward reducing GHG emissions 30% below 1990 levels in the unincorporated part of Marin County (that is an explicit goal of the County). • We plan to complete the project within the current fiscal year. We have selected American Solar to install and maintain the panels. American Solar has completed its study and design of our system.

List of all community interests that will be affected by the proposed project/program and the public benefit to be derived from it:

The target populations served are two-fold. Provide fresh, organic, sustainably raised vegetables for low-income youth and seniors, and local unhoused numbering in the hundreds. • Short Elementary School during the school year each year: 159 students. • Bennet House: 69 Section 8 units with a more than 69 inhabitants throughout the year. • REST program serving Marin’s homeless men and women: Dinner for 20-35 adults approximately 12 times each year. Also, money raised from our Justice Garden is used to pay for supplies and materials for the REST program. • Canal Zone: We are investigating as to how we might best serve low-income inhabitants during our largest crop months of July through September Our larger goal is to share the practical lessons we learn to motivate

and empower others to act by using our hands-on experience as their blueprint. Many organizations, churches, and communities are interested in sustainability -- but the task seems daunting and most don't know where to start. Your support will not only help us install solar panels, but will help us create a sustainability model that others can replicate. We've already "cloned" our organic garden at a small local school. Short Elementary School is one of the most impoverished schools in Marin with 93% of students at or below the poverty level. SHPC members have helped build and maintain a vegetable garden for the students and their families to eat.

The total amount received for the past three fiscal years:

Year	Amount	Project
2015 - 2016		
2014 - 2015		
2013 - 2014	\$2,000.00	

No County funding was received for this project or others.

Project/program can be completed if amount received is less than requested amount of Community Service funds.

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.

Project Funding Sources	Funding Agency	Funding Requested	Received	Notes
County CSF	Marin	\$5,000	\$0	
Federal Grant		\$0	\$0	
State Grant		\$0	\$0	
Individual Contributions		\$10,500	\$9,000	<i>Church members and other community members</i>
Other Local Agencies		\$0	\$0	
In kind services		\$0	\$0	
Other		\$2,500	\$0	<i>Seeking non-profit grants</i>
Total Sources		\$18,000	\$9,000	
Project Expenses		Budgeted	Spent to Date	Notes
Personnel Costs		\$0	\$0	
Services and Supplies		\$0	\$0	
Capital		\$18,000	\$0	
Other		\$0	\$0	
Total Expenses		\$18,000	\$0	