

APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)

This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. The Neighborhood Council (NC), upon approval of the application, shall submit the approved application along with all required documentation to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Tarzana Neighborhood Council

SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a) Operation Blankets of Love 80-0238786 California 3/25/2009
Organization Name **Federal I.D. # (EIN#)** **State of Incorporation** **Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)**

1b) 16911 San Fernando Mission, PMB 187 Granada Hills CA 91344
Organization Mailing Address **City** **State** **Zip Code**

1c)
Business Address (if different) **City** **State** **Zip Code**

1d) **PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:**
Eileen Smulson (818) 402-6586 obol@obol.info
Name **Phone** **Email**

2) **Type of Organization - Please select one:**
 Public School (not to include private schools) or 501(c)(3) Non-Profit (other than religious institutions)
Attach Grant Request on School Letterhead **Attach IRS Determination Letter**

3)
Name / Address of Affiliated Organization **City** **State** **Zip Code**
(if applicable)

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) **Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.**
 The grant is for the printing of pledge envelopes (and thank you envelopes) that solicit donations of blankets and other critical pet items, such as food, towels, pet meds, etc. These items are for the shelters to improve the lives of the animals and increase their chances of being adopted.

Operation Blankets of Love (OBOL) is a unique 501(c)(3) animal welfare advocacy and emergency relief organization based in Los Angeles County. OBOL promotes grassroots efforts to alleviate animal neglect, cruelty and homelessness, by engaging individual community members and local businesses in collecting donated animal comfort and care items such as blankets, toys and premium pet food to improve quality of life for cats, dogs and other animals confined to overcrowded, under-funded shelters. This support, combined with OBOL's Humane Education, Pets of the Homeless outreach and Anti-Cruelty campaign, create greater community awareness about the plight of abused and neglected animals, while improving quality of life for thousands of homeless, vulnerable cats and dogs each year.

5) **How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large.**
(Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)
 OBOL's animal welfare outreach and direct services for animals in shelters has grown year after year, our organization's infrastructure has been stretched very thin.

As the number of animals served each year increases more than 20%, and with the expansion of OBOL's Homeless People's Pets Community Outreach Project and the increase of our Humane Education Learning Program to schools in the San Fernando Valley and the demands of the job have increased significantly.

OBOL's cash budget for overhead and basic operating expenses such as paid staffing, a new website, public outreach materials, volunteer recruitment and fundraising remains underfunded.

SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

		Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
6a)	Personnel Related Expenses		
	N/A		
6b)	Non-Personnel Related Expenses		
	the printing of pledge envelopes (and thank you envelopes)	\$250.00	\$250.00

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?
 No Yes, please list names of NCs: _____

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in box 4 above contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs) No Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: _____ \$250.00

10a) Start date: 9/1/2016 10b) Date Funds Required: 8/15/2016

10c) Expected completion date: 9/30/16 (After completion of the project, the applicant must submit a follow-up form to the Neighborhood Council and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment)

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11a) Do you (applicant) have a former or existing relationship with a Board Member of the NC?
 No Yes - Please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant
Jeffrey Mausner - I have met Jeffrey Mausner in connection with Animal Rescue and Animal Welfare Education matters and events. However, I do not consider that I have a former or existing relationship with him.	See left for explanation.

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application? Yes No *(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the Department will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)

SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read Appendix A, "What is a Public Benefit," and Appendix B "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*
 Eileen Smulson Founder & Executive Dir Eileen Smulson 6/28/16
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED*
 Susan Newman Board Secretary Susan Newman 6/28/16
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the Department at (213) 978-1551 for instructions on completing this form.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **MAR 25 2009**

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C/O WILHEM SMILEON
11931 PASO ROBLES AVE
GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344

Employer Identification Number:
✓ 60-0334786
DIN:
170512460113008
Contact Person:
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(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b) (1) (A) (vi)
Form 990 Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
October 29, 2008
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Attachment Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2512 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4321-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

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