

Purpose of the program, why the funds are needed, and the benefit to the community:

Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara (GIGSB) is a nonprofit youth organization dedicated to inspiring all girls to be strong, smart and bold. Through educational programs, enrichment activities, and advocacy, we strive to meet the unique needs of girls and young women, to develop their self-esteem and capacity to be self-sufficient, responsible members of the community. Girls Inc. remains distinct from all other youth-serving organizations, as we are the only agency in the region providing a comprehensive, interactive and age-appropriate curriculum that is specifically developed to empower and support girls.

We recognize the potential of every girl, but our success profoundly impacts low-income families. Many of the girls we serve live in overcrowded housing and endure extremely stressful life events as a result of their socioeconomic status. For these girls especially, our programming is a vital component in their ability to thrive and reach their full potential in life. In 2015, 38% of the girls that attended our after-school and summer programs came from single parent homes and 45% came from households that live at or below the federal poverty level.

Over the past two years demand for our program has grown exponentially, representing a 40% increase in new enrollments, many of who are girls living in low-income, underserved households. Consequently the need for scholarships has increased for these girls to participate in our life-changing programs. In 2015, GIGSB provided \$586,000 in scholarship assistance, which represents a nearly 48% increase in financial assistance in the past two years--the need is assuredly great.

Much like transportation and affordable housing, reasonable childcare is a significant need for families, especially those who live in the high poverty zones we serve. These parents simply cannot afford to spend almost half their earnings on childcare. Without Girls Inc. many of these girls would be home unsupervised and at risk to harmful or risky behaviors, feelings of isolation and depression. GIGSB gives hope and opportunity to hundreds of girls each year. When our time-tested curriculum is matched with the safe, supportive, and center-based structure we provide, girls receive the developmental assets they need to become tomorrow's leaders, helping to break the cycle of poverty they are growing up in.

The service to be provided and how many people will be served:

GIGSB serves over 1,600 girls annually between the ages of 4 ½ -18 through two licensed childcare centers in Santa Barbara and Goleta, CA. Each day we transport girls from more than 30 area schools to our centers where they participate in classes and activities facilitated by trained staff and volunteers, who build long-term, mentoring relationships in a safe and supportive all-girl environment. Our hands-on educational programs are research based, and provide girls with the opportunity to benefit from an interactive curriculum that fosters self-reliance, academic success, physical fitness, and the assimilation of life-skills. Our enrichment activities help them develop leadership and teamwork skills, set career goals, and adopt healthy lifestyles, giving them the tools they need to overcome gender,

economic and social barriers, fostering their growth into healthy, educated, independent adults.

Detail the timeline for providing the service:

GIGSB provides services year round, after-school, throughout the summer and during spring and winter breaks. Our fiscal year is based on a Calendar year from Jan 1 - December 31.

Describe key outcomes to be achieved with the funding and how they will be measured:

Each area of programming consists of a series of classes with three to five target outcome goals in the areas of increased knowledge, skills and attitudes the girls are expected to achieve throughout their participation, with at least a 75% successful outcome in all our programs.

Each program is evaluated for effectiveness and success using a systematic approach through student pre- and-post evaluation surveys, instructor evaluations, observations and interviews. Our Quality Assurance Manager leads our data collection team, analyzes evaluation data and generates evaluation reports utilizing Girls Inc.'s National Trax Data Collection and Program Management System. Results are reviewed prior to annual program implementation for relevant adjustments in curricula design and/or staff training needs.

An example of key outcome goals/results from last years' OpSMART, STEM programming:

80% of girls named three careers in science and technology

80% of girls named three ways in which math and science are useful in everyday life

83% of girls reported they are good at science

92% reported that science and math are fun

Describe if this is a one-time or ongoing request, and if funded in prior years and amounts:

This is an ongoing request and we have not been funding through this program in prior years.

Describe the agency's expertise and capacity to deliver services including fiscal stability:

Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara is an affiliate of a more than 150 year old national organization. Our programs are time-tested with proven results, serving the Santa Barbara community for more than 60 years. Research, evaluation and training conducted by Girls Inc. National Resource Center provide the foundation for all Girls Inc. programs. Participation is based on a sliding fee scale and program fees cover approximately 60% of our operating budget. The remainder comes from grants, fundraising events and individual contributions affording us the ability to continue providing this vital program to thousands of girls in greater Santa Barbara, helping ensure their bright futures and the future of our community.



FY 2016-17 Outside Agency Funding Request Form

Deadline for Submission: Monday, May 2, 2016, 5:00 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors *may* consider funding requests from outside agencies during the **FY 2016-17** budget hearings in June 2016, if funding is available. An allocation of funding to outside agencies is not guaranteed.

Please submit the following by **5:00 p.m., Monday, May 2, 2016, NO EXCEPTIONS, via Email or Hardy Copy (postmarks will not be accepted)**:

1. Provide a cover letter explaining your request; and
2. Fill out this application (no more than 2 pages); and
3. Attach the Line Item Budget spreadsheet (no more than 2 pages) for the agency's program request

Hearings are scheduled for June 13, 15, and 17, with Outside Agency Requests considered on one of these days (yet to be determined). The **requesting agency must be represented and present**; please plan accordingly.

Total Request: \$ _____

Name of Organization: _____

Title of Program: _____ New or ongoing program? _____

Location(s) of services delivered: _____

Name of Agency Executive Director: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____ Website: _____

1. Briefly summarize the purpose of the program, why the funds are needed, and the benefit to the community:

2. Briefly summarize the service to be provided and how many people will be served:

3. Detail the timeline for providing the service:

4. Describe key outcomes to be achieved with the funding and how they will be measured:

5. Describe if this is a one-time or ongoing request, and if funded in prior years and amounts:

6. Describe the agency's expertise and capacity to deliver services including fiscal stability:

7. Agency staff responsible for application: _____

County Staff Comments Only:

Address submittals to:

Adriana de Bruin
Business Manager, County Executive Office
105 E. Anapamu Street, Room 406
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Requests can be emailed to: outsideagency@countyofsb.org

Questions: Please contact Adriana de Bruin, Business Manager, County Executive Office, at 568-3400.

FY 2016-17 Line Item Budget
For Program

#31

Agency: Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara
Program Name: Scholarship assistance for low-income, at-risk youth
Amount \$\$ Requested: \$20,000

Program Budget	FY 2016_17		
	Funding Sources/Revenues	Committed	Uncommitted
County of Santa Barbara			20000
Program Service Fees		251895	951338
Special Events		129709	212981
Corporate & Foundation Grants		65000	390000
Government Grants		12500	5000
Individual Contributions		61969	265031
Total		521073	1844350

Funding Uses/Expenses	Budget
Personnel Costs	1239341
Occupancy & Telecom	106431
Interest & Bank Fees	111600
Supplies	60070
Equip. & Transportation	56230
PR, Printing & Postage	18528
Insurance	30200
Dues & Licensing	12207
Professional Fees	39016
Other	85800
Scholarships	586000
Total	2345423