



SOBOBA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Sponsorship Guidelines

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Funding Priorities

Support provided by the Soboba Economic Development Corporation is directed to organizations that provide Educational, Health, Economic Development, or Special Project services in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, and to Tribal Governments and Tribal nonprofit organizations throughout the United States.

Applicant Eligibility

The following organizations are eligible to apply:

- Organizations with current tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code. Organizations must be able to demonstrate three years of continuous service.
- Tribal Governments and other governmental entities seeking funding exclusively for projects outlined in our Program Areas of Education, Health, Economic Development and Special Projects.
- K-12 schools/districts, colleges, and universities, as well as independent sports leagues and travel sports team are eligible to request funding. A letter must be signed and submitted by the institutions governing body or executive, supporting the request for funding. School clubs are eligible for funding but each club is capped at \$1,500 per calendar year. The cap of \$1,500 per calendar year is not applicable to school proms or graduations; however, these events are capped at \$5,000 per calendar year.
- Religious organizations that have received a 501(c)(3) designation, seeking funding for project outlines in our Program Areas of Education, Health, Economic Development, and Special Projects.
- Cultural groups that perform and share cultural knowledge are eligible for support. An event calendar and letter are required for consideration. Costs for travel can be included. Cultural group requests are capped at \$10,000 depending on the circumstances of the request.
- To be eligible for special event support, your application must be completed and submitted before all event-related deadlines, including printing or sponsor logo deadlines. Event support is limited to organizations that operate programs within our areas of interest.



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Application Process

- Applications are reviewed monthly. Our deadline dates for application submittals are the 1st of each month. We encourage you to apply well before the deadline.
- Applications received after the 1st of the month will be reviewed the following month.
- Please note that applications can take up to 30 days to review. We will contact you once your proposal has been considered and a determination has been made.
- Please be aware that due to the volume of requests received, our staff is not always available to answer questions regarding your proposal status. We thank you for your patience.

Funding Exclusions

At this time, the charitable giving program does not support the following:

- Programs delivering services to the general population outside San Bernardino and Riverside counties (not applicable to Tribal Government requests).
- Organizations that spend more than 25% of their operating budget on administrative overhead and fundraising costs.
- National organizations that do not deliver services in our geographic area (not applicable to national Tribal organizations).
- Organizations seeking sponsorships that do not have a current tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code
- Third party funding or funding for redistribution to other groups.
- Individuals or current Board Members asking on behalf of an organization are not eligible. An organization must submit a completed application.
- Individual sponsorships are not considered by the Soboba Economic Development Corporation, but may consider individual sponsorship requests, which may outline different requirements.
- Religious organizations seeking funding for religious purposes.
- Beauty pageants.
- While requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis, please note that requests are generally not approved to fund the total cost of a project budget.



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Sponsorship Application

Is your organization a tax-exempt entity under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, Tribal Government or a K-12 public school?

- Yes
 No

Does your organization's program or event directly benefit residents of Riverside or San Bernardino County?

- Yes
 No

Contact:

Organization Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Event/Project Title:

Date:

Start/End Time:

Approx. # of attendees/participants:

Approx # of vendors/booth space:

Describe the activity for which a sponsorship is being sought:

Describe how your organization will acknowledge the sponsorship, should it be approved:

Have you applied for sponsorships with any other entities of the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians during the past year? If yes, which entity?