

PROPOSAL

MERGER OF PROGRAM/PROJECT FUND AND ENRICHMENT FUND

For CIDS0 Board consideration at its 10/13/15 Board Meeting:

- Merge the Program/Project Fund and the Enrichment Fund with the following criteria/process:
 - ✓ CRITERIA for "favored" status for applications:
 - Applicant/family is a member of CIDS0.
 - Applicant/family are active in CIDS0 defined as:
 - ✚ Having served in the last 12 months (rolling window) on a CIDS0 Board/Committee/event including but not limited to:
 - Golf Tournament.
 - Buddy Walk.
 - Community Outreach.
 - Family Outreach.
 - College Liaison.
 - Communications.
 - Applicant Program primarily focuses on persons with Down syndrome in all or some of the following age groups:
 - ✚ Birth through five years.
 - ✚ Primary school.
 - ✚ Secondary school.
 - ✚ Adult (post high school).
 - Programs are defined as including but not limited to:
 - ✚ Products, i.e., eyeglasses, hearing aids, shoe inserts/orthotic aids, books and other educational supplies, etc.
 - ✚ Services, i.e., speech therapy, assessments (physical, mental, psychological, etc.), recreation, classes, etc.
 - Program services must prove a direct effect on participants including but not limited to physical, mental, emotional and/or social.
 - Program applications may not be duplicative of others available in the community regardless of CIDS0 funding.
 - Applicant/family/Program is in our catchment area of 30 miles around B-N.
 - Applicant Program is inclusive of persons without disabilities.
 - Applicant is new to the CIDS0 grant process.
 - Successful applicants will receive no guarantee of refunding regardless of amount of money provided in the grant. Applicants are encouraged to secure other on-going funding sources so that CIDS0 may spread its available dollars around to many worthy programs/applicants over the years.
 - After two consecutive years of receiving a grant for the same purpose, the applicant must sit out one year before reapplying.

✓ PROCESS:

- Notice of due date per quarter to membership by Communications Administrator.
- All applications from any source (applicant/family/guardian, conduit through a Board Member, "agency", etc.) must be received either hard copy or electronically no later than two weeks before the next Board Meeting by the Funds Application Administrator. Applicant is responsible for assuring receipt of application. No exceptions in order to assure we are always fair and consistent in our approach to providing support.
- Applications and any attachments must be complete and clear or will not be considered. They will be returned to the applicant for clarification/appropriate completion and refiling as the applicant wishes for future consideration.
- Funds Application Administrator will forward appropriately completed applications to Board Members giving them ten days to review prior to the next Board Meeting.
- Board will consider the applications based on the above criteria as well as available budgeted dollars. Based on available budget and meeting the above criteria, general guidelines are to fund 50% of fees validated by receipts for an individual applicant and partial or full funding for Program applications.
- Programs that have received partial funding from other sources will be considered against the above criteria.
- Funds Application Administrator will communicate the Board's decisions to the applicants and will coordinate with the Treasurer for appropriate payments.
- Typically for successful Program applications, the "provider" of any services will be the recipient of the funds.
- Appropriate spreadsheets will be updated by the Funds Application Administrator.