



## **City Sponsorship Program, July – December 2025**

### **Mission Synopses for Applicant Organizations**

**Aquamotion Ability** is dedicated to helping transform the health and well-being of senior citizens and disabled individuals within the Inland Empire through a high-quality water aerobics program that provides guidance and training for being fit and healthy.

**Arlington Business Partnership** provides business partnership, promotional activities, and physical improvements within the Arlington Business Improvement District to promote the welfare, innovation, and sense of partnership for all businesses within the district.

**Arts Connection** is a cornerstone of empowerment in the community, committed to the promotion of creative and economic viability, enriching lives throughout the communities we serve by providing support, promotion, education, and advocacy for the arts.

**Baboon Stewardship** is focused on humanitarian projects, environmental stewardship and diversifying the outdoors. The group provides a broad array of volunteer opportunities to better the community.

**Ballet Resource Active Volunteer Association (BRAVA)** is dedicated to arts through mentoring, scholarships, workshops, choreography, performing opportunities, and community outreach, with emphasis on children and youth.

**The Care Project, Inc.** works to reduce the financial and emotional burdens of individuals diagnosed with breast cancer. The organization provides grants for

surviving children of those lost to the disease, as well as grants to meet the needs of patients and survivors.

**CCS Education and Wellness** was founded to address the need for quality and affordable therapeutic services in Riverside. The program trains Master's-level therapists in direct client care experience and helps individuals navigate life's challenges affordably.

**Chabad Jewish Community Center** is a community-based nonprofit organization whose efforts are rooted in traditional Jewish values. The Center welcomes everyone from university students, to families, to people just passing through the region, providing education and social services, as well as opportunities to experience traditional celebrations and observances.

**Community Health Systems** focuses on providing high-quality, compassionate, and comprehensive medical, dental, women's health, behavioral health, chiropractic care, and vision care services to those who are under-served, uninsured, or under-insured.

**Deaf Community of Riverside** helps increase understanding in the community about deafness, communications, safety, and awareness of barriers, to maximize life for the deaf community and the community at large.

**Division 9 Gallery** is a welcoming and safe space for a diverse community of artists and is the driving force behind a long list of projects in the Riverside and the region, including: the annual Day of the Dead Festival, monthly Riverside ARTS Walk, ARTNIVAL, Bailarte, The Inland Empire Strikes Back, and Artisans' Collective, partnering with the City, Riverside Arts Council, Riverside Art Museum, the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture, and many others.

**Empower You Edutainment** was founded by a team of educators with performing arts backgrounds to provide theatre, dance, and music to increase resilience, empowerment and wellness for youth and young adults. The group provides the Inland Empire with community theatre focused on social issues, breaking down social and economic barriers.

**Evergreen Memorial Historic Cemetery** is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the historic portion of Riverside's first cemetery. Evergreen serves as the last resting place of many City founders and other historic figures.

**Full Circle Players** is committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion as it works to create world class theatre in Riverside and beyond. The group holds itself to high artistic and personal standards, to create exceptional art, guided by thoughtful resources, stewardship, and a deep commitment to education and audience engagement.

**Janet Goeske Foundation** is committed to enriching the quality of life of those fifty years and older in the community, while maintaining the highest level of advocacy, providing health and wellness programs and striving to be the trusted voice and advocate for those it serves.

**Inlandia Institute** works to recognize, support, and expand literary activity in all its forms in the Inland Empire by publishing books and sponsorship programs that deepen people's awareness, understanding, and appreciation of this unique, complex, and creatively vibrant region.

**Inland Empire Contemporary Ballet** exists solely for the purpose of providing educational and performance opportunities in professional classical and contemporary ballet to underserved communities. IECB produces quality productions and superb technique, aiming to help dancers reach their full potential in the art of ballet.

**Kiwanis of Uptown Riverside** is dedicated to changing the world through a global mission of “one child and one community at a time”. Our fundraising efforts and community service hours help to provide nourishment, educational enrichment opportunities, healthcare and more for the most underserved and in-need populations.

**La Sierra Senior Center** hosts a variety of programs, classes, activities, and events for seniors in the community, including social networking, fitness, computer lab, library, fireplace lounge, billiards, and arts and crafts.

**La Sierra University Church** is a church that bridges generations and communities. As one of only thirteen campus churches in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination in North America, the congregation accepts a unique responsibility to future generations and is committed to the community through such programs as food distribution, social work (in partnership with La Sierra University), and education.

**The Living Museum of First Peoples Cultural Heritage Foundation** promotes awareness of, and fosters respect for, the authentic cultural heritage of California's sovereign nations through outreach, education, exhibitions and events. TLM serves thousands of students (kindergarten – college) by collaborating with tribal nations, historical societies, and other cultural organizations.

**Martin Luther King High School Band Boosters** provide supplemental funding to support the Music and Marching program at the primary and secondary grade school levels, moving from leadership skills to individual music and visual performance skills.

**Mission Inn Foundation** preserves, interprets, and promotes the cultural heritage of the Mission Inn, Riverside, and the surrounding southern California communities through its museum services, educational programs, and outreach activities.

**NAACP Youth Council** (Riverside County) advances the economic, educational, social, and political status of African Americans and other racial and ethnic minorities and their harmonious cooperation with other peoples, to stimulate an appreciation of the African Diaspora and other people of color's contributions to civilization, and to develop an intelligent, effective youth leadership.

**Project Boon** amplifies the power of community through events that bring together committed individuals, organizations, and the under-resourced. "Boon" means the general good created by meaningful, accessible action that includes essential support to families facing food insecurity.

**Riverside Arts Council** provides, develops, supports, and sustains the arts. The Council is a local partner of the California Arts Council. It is the County's central source for arts-related services, information, education, and outreach. RAC encourages the advancement, participation, and integration of visual, literary, and performing arts into the communities it serves.

**Riverside County Philharmonic** entertains Riverside with excellent performance of great music, enriches the young and young at heart with the beauty and relevance of the symphony and engages a diverse and dynamic community in appreciation of the performing arts in Inland Southern California.

**Riverside Cultural Consortium** is a project that connects the community with local arts and culture within the City of Riverside through the collaboration of leaders of Riverside's arts and culture organizations.

**Riverside Downtown Partnership** fosters a vibrant, safe, and successful business and cultural community in Downtown Riverside by celebrating the past and defining the future. RDP serves as liaison between downtown businesses and local government.

**Riverside Educational Enrichment Foundation** benefits more than 43,000 students in Riverside Unified School District, raising funds through public and private grants, individuals, and corporate donors to fund special projects for teachers.

**Riverside National Cemetery Support Committee** provides upkeep and support for the Riverside National Cemetery. The organization partners with the Riverside County Philharmonic to present the annual Concert for Heroes on the eve of the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

**Mary S. Roberts Foundation** is committed to helping homeless cats and find good, loving homes. MSRPAC is supported solely by private donations and fundraising projects. The Center takes in healthy, adoptable cats and dogs from owners who can no longer care for them and, as space allows, accepts healthy, adoptable cats and dogs from other local animal welfare agencies.

**A Salute to Veterans Parade** honors veterans of all ages and from all branches of the military in conjunction with the national celebration of Veterans Day.

**Science and Technology Education Partnership** was established to bridge the skills gap between K-12 students and high-technology industry needs. STEP produces its flagship science and technology education, the STEP Conference, annually.

**Southern California Golf Foundation** is devoted to providing all Southland golfers with the best experience possible, providing accessible and affordable opportunities for anyone looking to be involved with the game.

**Spanish Town Heritage Foundation** champions the Hispanic Legacy of the Inland Empire's first settlers by sharing their stories, creating cultural learning opportunities, and leading community efforts to restore and revitalize La Placita de los Trujillos, a place of history, learning, entertainment and the arts.

**Victory Outreach Church of Riverside** operates the Recovery Homes ministry to support individuals impacted by all types of addictions. Men are welcomed into a loving atmosphere and are provided with support. These men are given an atmosphere for healing and restoration. The program provides short-term housing and a support network.

**Vitality Development Foundation** is dedicated to empowering Riverside youth from underserved communities, guiding them from adolescence into adulthood

to lead healthier, stronger, and more fulfilling lives. Through free mentorship, counseling, and boxing training, the Foundation promotes physical health, helps address life's challenges, and instills essential life skills, focusing on fostering respect, discipline, and personal growth, to equip young people for success in all aspects of life.

**Women Strengthening Women** provides support to women who have loved ones in prison, who have been impacted by domestic abuse, or who have been experiencing troubling times in general. Services include peer support and support groups for women of all ages, including teen girls, who have criminal justice history or who have experienced domestic violence.