

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR TWO YOUNG LADIES BETWEEN 16-21 YEARS OLD

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The Women's and Girls' Fund, a Field of Interest Fund of the Kern Community Foundation, asks your help to find two community-minded young ladies to serve on the 2010 Grants Allocation Committee.

The Grants Allocation Committee is responsible for awarding up to \$18,000 in grant funds to qualified non-profit organizations. The **FOCUS AREA** for this grant cycle is the **PHISICAL, SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC SAFETY** of women and girls of Kern County. The young ladies on the committee will participate fully in the selection process and have full voting privileges on awards.

Please provide the following documents **TO APPLY**: application page, parental consent page, and an adult recommendation. *The three completed papers constitute a valid application and must be received by our office by 4:00 p.m., Monday, November 9, 2009.* Please mail or hand-deliver to:

Kern Community Foundation
Attn: Women's and Girls Fund
1626 19th Street, Suite 14
Bakersfield, CA 93301

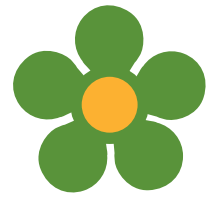
Women who work with qualified young ladies are asked to help and encourage applicants. The two finalists will have a unique opportunity to build relationships with seasoned community leaders, to develop confidence and good decision making skills. Our hope for these young ladies is they gain a desire to become advocates of positive social change in our world and to become future philanthropists.

Please note:

There are four mandatory Saturday morning meetings 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon: November 21, 2009, December 5, 2009, February 6, 2010 and March 6, 2010

This application and supporting information, may be accessed on the Kern Community Foundation website: www.kernfoundation.org
Successful applicants will be notified by November 13, 2009.

For more information, call Cindy Jones 661.324.6029
or email asrcjones@aol.com



Women's and Girls Fund of Kern County 2010 Grants Allocation Committee

ABOUT US

The Women's and Girls' Fund of Kern County is a field of interest fund within the Kern Community Foundation. We seek to transform the lives of women and girls in Kern County by mobilizing the power and passion of women working together. In particular, we EDUCATE, to create awareness of women's and girls' needs unmet by current strategies; we ENDOW a permanent fund whose yield supports programs benefiting women and girls; and we EMPOWER one another and our girls to become philanthropists and advocates of positive social change.

Each year the Women's and Girls' Fund Grants Allocation Committee will seat nine (9) members including two (2) young ladies between the ages of 16 and 21 to serve on this project selection committee. This is an exciting opportunity for a young woman who wishes to have a positive impact on our local community. It provides hands on experience with active community leadership, encouraging role models and practical decision making.

**THE 2010 GRANTS WILL FOCUS ON PHYSICAL, SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC SAFETY.
THE GRANTS ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW PROJECT APPLICATIONS THAT
SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS THESE ISSUES AFFECTING WOMEN AND GIRLS OF
KERN COUNTY.**

UP TO \$18,000 IN GRANT MONIES WILL BE AWARDED.

WHO CAN SERVE ON THE TEENAGE/ YOUNG LADIES COMPONENT?

Young women between the ages of 16 and 21 who desire to make a difference in our community and learn important leadership skills. Applicants for the Women's and Girls' Fund Grants Allocation Committee must live or attend school in Kern County, California. One does not need prior leadership experience to be a member of this committee.

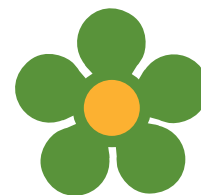
WHAT DOES THE GRANTS ALLOCATION COMMITTEE DO?

As part of the Grants Allocation Committee, the two young ladies selected to participate will help to read and evaluate projects and judge them according to preference. This will involve a decision-making process based on consensus among the entire 9 person committee. Once the final projects have been selected, an announcement will be made at the Annual Women's and Girls' Fund luncheon on Thursday, April 29, 2010. These two young ladies and their nominator will be invited as our guests to attend this luncheon.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

Must be available to attend ALL four meetings in Bakersfield, locations to be announced:

Saturday, November 21, 2009	9:00 am – 12 Noon	Basic Training
Saturday, December 5, 2010	9:00 am – 12 Noon	Grants Committee training, review letters of intent
Saturday, February 6, 2010	9:00 am – 12 Noon	Grants Committee training, packet distribution, schedule interviews
Saturday, March 6, 2010	9:00 am – 2: 00pm	Final Grant Evaluations, lunch



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Young Ladies' Application Instructions

Please print or type clearly. If you need more space, you may use additional paper. Please label all corresponding material with name and phone number.

Make sure this application is complete and includes:

1. Application form and parental consent page - complete all requested information.
2. A brief one page recommendation letter from someone (besides your parents) who can tell us about you with reference to your personal qualities.

If you have any questions or you need help with your application, please contact Cindy Jones at 661.324.6029 or asrcjones@aol.com

After we receive your written application, we may ask you to participate in a telephone interview.

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Application deadline 4:00 PM - Monday, November 9, 2009
Successful applicants will be notified by Friday, November 13, 2009

You may visit our website at www.kernfoundation.org to download an application and supporting information. Before submitting your application, check that your forms are complete.

If you mail your application, please use this address:

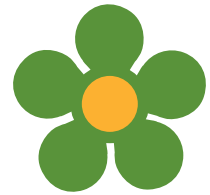
Kern Community Foundation
Attn: Women's and Girls' Fund
1626 19th Street, Suite 14
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If you hand deliver your application, we are open between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Our physical address is the same as the mailing address.

Contact Cindy Jones at 661.324.6029 or asrcjones@aol.com if you have questions.

Application deadline 4:00 PM Monday, November 9, 2009

The successful applicants will be notified by Friday, November 13, 2009.



**Women's and Girls' Fund
2010 Grants Allocation Committee**

APPLICATION FORM

1. Name: _____

2. Address: _____

3. Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone _____

4. E-Mail (if available): _____

5. Age: _____ Birthdate _____

(Must be 16 years old by December 1, 2009 and not older than 21 years old by December 1, 2009)

6. Name of School (if applicable): _____

7. Grade: _____

8. When and how should we contact you? (Please circle all that apply)

Phone E-mail day evening weekdays weekend

9. Ethnicity (optional) Please circle one:

Asian/Pacific Islander Latina African American

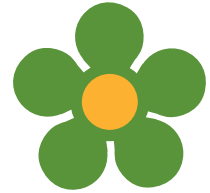
White/Caucasian Native American Multi-Ethnic

Other Ethnicity _____

10. Please tell us about any activities, clubs, or hobbies you are involved with in or out of school.

11. Describe one thing that you have done in the past to help your community or a person in need.

12. What experiences, strengths, or qualities do you have that will help you become a good committee member?



**Women's and Girls' Fund of Kern County
2010 Grants Allocation Committee**
Young Ladies Parents Approval Form
(for applicants residing with parents or under 18)

IMPORTANT!

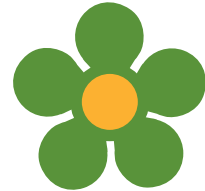
I certify that all the information contained in this application is true and accurate. I give my permission for my child to participate as an active member of the Women's and Girls' Fund Grants Allocations Committee and understand that attendance is mandatory at four Saturday morning meetings; November 21, 2009-December 5, 2009-February 6, 2010-March 6, 2010 from 9 am to 12 Noon. I further understand my child may be removed from the committee for lack of participation.

Parent's (or Guardian's) Signature

Date

Included:

- Application Form
- Reference Letter – from Adult



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RECOMMENDATION FORM

APPLICANT:

You must have one adult write a recommendation letter for you. Some ideas might be your school counselor, employer, teacher, family friend, or a program leader. No family members please.

PERSON MAKING THE RECOMMENDATION:

This young lady is applying for a position on the Women's & Girls' Fund ~ Grants Allocations Committee ~ as one of two young women slated to actively participate in the selection of Kern County projects focused on **PHYSICAL, SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC SAFETY** of women and girls. Please briefly tell us why you think she would make a good committee member. Some things to write about may include her life experiences, insights, commitment, skills or attitude. Thank you for taking time to assist with her application.

Please return this recommendation to the applicant (sealed or unsealed, according to your preference) so that she may submit it along with her application.

**THE DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING COMPLETED APPLICATIONS IS
NOVEMBER 9, 2009**

Applicant's Name: _____

Your Name: _____

Your Relationship to the Applicant: _____

Your Phone Number: _____

Organization/business/school (if applicable): _____

**PLEASE WRITE A BRIEF RECOMMENDATION BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK, YOU
MAY USE THE REVERSE SIDE OR ADDITIONAL PAPER AS NECESSARY.**