

Timetable

Consult the website (www.laspatronas.org/grants-process) for current deadlines. The fall application deadline for Major and Minor beneficiaries is generally the first Friday after Labor Day in September. The spring deadline is the first Friday in January that does not fall on the first of January.

The Application Process

The Application Form is a fillable PDF and must be submitted via the website (laspatronas.org/grants-process/grant-submission/) after completion with all supplementary information. All supplementary information should be merged into a single PDF before beginning the upload process. If you do not receive an acknowledgment of receipt of the application within 48 hours please contact the Las Patronas Vice President/Grants.

A complete application with all supporting documentation is the first step toward success. After a review of all submitted materials, applicants who meet our guidelines and have provided a complete application will be contacted by a Las Patronas grant team to schedule a site visit. Please note: Grant applications missing the requested information will be disqualified.

Applicants for Major Grants (those over \$20,000) are accepted in the fall cycle only and will be selected in November. Funds for these grants are pledged from monies raised in connection with the following Jewel Ball and are funded in January, 16 months after the original deadline. Please make sure this schedule is compatible with your needs before submitting your application for a Major grant.

Applicants for Minor Grants (\$20,000 and under) will be selected in November (fall cycle) and March (spring cycle). Funding for those grants will be distributed in December and April, respectively, and must be spent on the requested capital item(s) within 60 days of receipt.

Please read these guidelines and review the entire application carefully, as changes have been implemented recently. If you have any questions regarding the nature of your request, the qualifications of your organization, or your electronic application please contact the Las Patronas Vice President/Grants (grants@laspatronas.org).

Guidelines

1. Las Patronas will only fund specific, critically needed capital items that have a useful life of at least three years.
2. Las Patronas will not fund individuals, salaries, programs, training, warranties/service contracts, subscriptions, user licenses (including software), items for distribution, bank/investment accounts, endowments, general/reserve funds, operating costs or vehicle wraps.
3. Las Patronas will not make general contributions to building funds, only to rooms or buildings as part of the finished product. Las Patronas does not fund the acquisition of real estate.
4. Las Patronas will not fund existing obligations, deficits, debts, leases or reimbursements. Las Patronas will not fund additional amounts beyond the current actual bids for estimated inflationary adjustments.
5. All funds must go to the requested capital item. No fees for overhead, asset management, fundraising costs or percentages to development personnel may be deducted from the funds.
6. Funded items must be used in San Diego County and benefit the inhabitants of San Diego County.
7. Any funds granted by Las Patronas must be used for their intended purpose within 60 days of receipt. Proof of purchase is required. Lack of proof may affect the organization's ability to apply for further Las Patronas grants.
8. The applicant must have Federal (501c3) charitable status for at least three years, State (23701D) tax identification charitable status, and have been established in San Diego for at least three years.

Please Note

- Previously funded **MAJOR and MINOR** beneficiaries must wait three calendar years from the application date of their most recently funded grant to reapply.
- Las Patronas will grant to only one arm of a multi-faceted or multi-programmed organization in any one granting period.
- Las Patronas will consider an application from either a public or private school as long as the proposal addresses a critical need among a specific population attending the school. To qualify, the school must have nonprofit status as outlined in No. 8 above, or must have an associated foundation or group with that status through which the application is being made. i.e.: PTA, Foundation or Friends.
- Las Patronas does not fund municipalities or government agencies; it can only consider organizations with Federal (501c3) status as outlined in No. 8 above. No other form of tax-exempt status qualifies.

Contact Information

Questions should be directed to Vice President/Grants via email grants@laspatronas.org. Detailed contact information and deadlines are updated on the website at www.laspatronas.org/grants-process.