

## 2016/2017 Grant Allocations Committee Teen & Young Ladies Application General Information

### **ABOUT US**

The Women's and Girls' Fund is a Leadership Initiative of 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 Grant Allocations Committee will seat committee members, including two young women between the ages of 16 and 21 to serve on the 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 helps develop practical decision making skills.

**The 2017 grants will focus on Education.**

**The Grants Allocations Committee will review project applications that specifically address these issues affecting women and girls of Kern County.**

**Up to \$30,000 or more in grant monies may be awarded.**

### **WHO CAN SERVE ON THE TEEN/ 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 Grant Allocations Committee must live in or attend school in Kern County, California. One does not need prior leadership experience to be a member of this committee.

### **WHAT DOES THE GRANT ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE DO?**

As part of the Grant Allocations Committee, the two young women selected to participate will help to read and evaluate projects and judge them according to the Women's and Girls' Fund's priorities and requirements.

This will involve a decision-making process based on consensus among the entire committee. Once the final projects have been selected, an announcement will be made at the Annual Women's and Girls' Fund spring luncheon Wednesday, April 26, 2016. The two young women participants will be invited as our guests to attend this luncheon.

### **WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?**

- **Every committee member will need email and internet access as review work will necessitate online usage.**
- **There are three mandatory late afternoon/evening meetings from 4:00-7:00pm, beginning promptly at 4 PM:**
  - Wednesday, November 16, 2016**
  - Thursday, December 1, 2016**
  - Thursday, February 16, 2017**

## 2016/2017 Grant Allocations Committee 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 – complete all requested information.
2. Parent/guardian consent page (if under 18) - complete all requested information.
3. Recommendation letter - A brief one-page 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 Agnes DeJong 661.203.7179 or email [adejong001@gmail.com](mailto:adejong001@gmail.com)**

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

### **SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION**

**Before submitting your application, check that all your forms are complete.**

You may fax or email the entire application before the deadline date to 661.325.5358  
or

Mail your application before the deadline date to:

Kern Community Foundation  
Attn: Women's and Girls' Fund  
3300 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 220  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

or

Email your application to [adejong001@gmail.com](mailto:adejong001@gmail.com)

**Application deadline 4:00 PM Monday, October 17, 2016**

**The successful applicants will be notified by Friday, October 21, 2016**

You may also download additional applications off the Kern Community Foundation website under the Women's and Girls Fund tab.  
[www.kernfoundation.org](http://www.kernfoundation.org)

## 2016/2017 Grant Allocations Committee Application Form

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

4. E-Mail (mandatory): \_\_\_\_\_

5. Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

**(Must be 16 years old by October 31, 2016 and not older than 21 years old by October 31, 2016)**

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?

**2016/2017 Grant Allocations Committee  
Parent/Guardian Application Approval Form**  
(for applicants under 18)

**Important!**

I certify that all the information contained in this application is true and accurate. I give my permission for my daughter to participate as an active member of the Women's and Girls' Fund Grant Allocations Committee and understand email and internet service and meeting attendance are required for participation.

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I further understand my child may be removed from the committee for lack of participation.

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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**Date**

Included:

- Application Form
- Recommendation Letter – from Adult

## 2016/2017 Grant Allocations Committee Application Recommendation Form

### To 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.

### To Person making the recommendation:

This young woman is applying for a position on the Women's & Girls' Fund ~ Grant Allocations Committee ~ as one of two young women slated to actively participate in the selection of Kern County projects focused on Education 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 4 pm, Monday, October 17, 2016**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Relationship to the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Email  
address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your organization/business/school (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include your Letter of Recommendation with this form.**