

Since our founding in 1979, the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence have raised and distributed **over one million dollars** to non-profit organizations that serve needy communities. Each year, we raise thousands more. The next time you see a Sister with a collection bucket, drop a couple of bucks in, because the money goes right back to the community.

Historically, The Sisters have given grants to under-funded, smaller organizations and projects providing direct services to our communities. The majority of these organizations and projects receive little, if any, government or main-stream funding and may be in the early stages of development. Our grants are typically \$250 to \$1,000.

We are especially attracted to progressive projects that promote **wellness, identity, tolerance** and **diversity** within our communities. We have a vision that encompasses diverse communities and groups that have a common interest in human rights, people of every gender, gender identity, race, class, age and sexual orientation.

{slider=The Sister's Current Grant Schedule}

The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence have three annual distribution cycles for our Grants: **Easter (March/April)**

, **Pink Saturday (June)**

and

**Saturnalia (December)**

. We accept grant proposals throughout the year.

**2013 Grants Schedule:**

**Easter Cycle deadline:** Friday, March 15, 2013

**Pink Saturday Cycle deadline:** Friday, June 14, 2013

**Saturnalia Cycle Deadline:** Friday, December 6, 2013

*Grant proposal deadlines and grant dispersal dates subject to change.*

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{slider=How to Apply for a Grant from the Sisters}

*Please note: failure to include any of the information listed below may result in your proposal being denied.*

1. Start your proposal with a short paragraph that clearly states **who you are, how much you are asking for what you plan to do with the grant** and **how we can get in touch with you**.

2. Please provide contact information including **phone number(s) and e-mail(s)**, as well as the name of an actual individual we may contact if we have any questions. If you have a Web site, give us your URL so that we can take a look. Please also let us know **who to make the check out to** should your proposal be selected and **an address that we may send the check to**.

. We prefer that you or someone from your organization pick up the check in person at our grants ceremony if at all possible.

If you are not a non-profit, provide us with the name of the non-profit that serves as your fiscal agent/sponsor. We will also need the name and contact information of someone at the fiscal agent/sponsor we can call if we have questions.

3. Please provide **a copy of your Internal Revenue Service letter of determination of 501(c)3 non-profit status** or arrangements with a fiscal agent and their 501(c)3 status. We will not release funds until we have proof of the 501(c)3 status.

4. Please **show the specific need for a grant**, i.e.: startup costs, equipment not covered by normal operating budget, program incentives, direct service costs and scholarships.  
**Ineligible requests include: Capital Campaign, funding for salaries, general operating expenses, individual's projects or travel expenses.**

We generally look for how this money can be best utilized to serve the needs of our communities. **Show us what you can do!**

5. Please **provide an annual budget for your organization** and **a budget for the project** funds are being requested for. If your group has a budget over \$100,000 and/or paid staff, please explain why this funding is being requested. If your project is using a fiscal agent we only need to see your project budget.

6. Submit your proposal to: The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, Inc.  
Attn: Grants Committee  
584 Castro Street  
PMB # 392  
San Francisco, CA 94114-2594

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