2022 City of Cortez Grant Guidelines

Each year, the Cortez City Council budgets money from the General Fund to support community organizations that preserve or enrich the health, education, welfare, and fitness of the community.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Cortez City Council endeavor to promote community support organizations through this grant process. Community support organizations may receive grants to support activities and programs that are accessible to the City of Cortez community and encourage the development of healthy community organizations that provide programs for citizen welfare and education in the region. Council funding priorities for 2022 are:

- 1. Nonprofits with verification of status from the State of Colorado.
- 2. Organizations that address a unique community need.
- 3. Organizations that serve a broad spectrum of the community.
- 4. Organizations that avoid overlapping services.
- 5. Established service providers.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Cortez City Council will consider proposals from community organizations that meet the following eligibility criteria:

- 1. Applications will be accepted from organizations that provide programs for citizen welfare, arts and education. Programming and activities shall be accessible to the City of Cortez community.
- 2. Only one (1) application may be submitted per organization. Application can be obtained online at www.cityofcortez.com or hard copies are available at City Hall. Completed applications can be submitted electronically to dspeer@cityofcortez.com or can be mailed or delivered to City of Cortez, 123 Roger Smith Ave., Cortez, CO 81321, Attn: Debbie Speer.
- 3. Grant requests for \$5,000 or less shall be made using the City of Cortez' grant application.
- 4. Supplemental documentation may only be sent to members of the Cortez City Council or Parks and Recreation Advisory Board at their request.

ACCOUNTABILITY

If you received funds for 2021, a follow-up report on the use of any City of Cortez funds awarded for 2021 is required with the application or by October 1, 2021 if the applicant does not apply for a 2022 grant.

REVIEW PROCESS

Each application will be evaluated according to its strengths, merits, and completeness. Amount of awards, funding agreements, and comments to applicant organizations will be mailed out in December of 2021.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 8, 2021.

Completed applications can be emailed to dspeer@cityofcortez.com or dropped off/mailed to City Hall (123 Roger Smith Ave., Cortez, CO 81321), Attention Debbie Speer.

Late, incomplete (i.e. submitted without all questions answered or without required follow-up report), or faxed applications will <u>not</u> be accepted or considered. NO EXCEPTIONS!

FUNDING PERIOD

The funding period is January 1 through December 31, 2022. Most payments will be mailed in early January.

OTHER CONDITIONS

Nondiscrimination: including statutes prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, creed, disability, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, or marital status.

Credit/Acknowledgement: grantee agrees that a notice will be included in appropriate announcements and promotional efforts stating:

"This activity/event/program is supported by a grant from the City of Cortez."

2021 City of Cortez Grant Application

Application must be completed IN FULL in order to be considered. Supplemental documentation may only be sent to members of the Cortez City Council at their request.

Application Deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 8, 2021. Please submit via email to dspeer@cityofcortez.com or deliver/mail one (1) original to:

City of Cortez 123 Roger Smith Ave. Cortez, CO 81321 Attn: Debbie Speer

(970) 564-4019 dspeer@cityofcortez.com

Part 1: Applicant Information

Name of applicant organization:				
Name of umbrella organization (if applicable):				
Applicant contact person:				
Phone: Fax: E-Mail Address:				
Mailing address: City:				
State: Zip: Non-profit Tax ID number:				
List Board of Directors:				
How many years has your organization been in existence?				

Please respond to the following in <u>no more than 6 single sided sheets</u> (10 point font minimum). Follow the format, number system, and headings presented in the Grant Application. Make sure you include the number and heading for the information requested so reviewing board members can readily find the various categories as presented in the Grant Application.

- 1. Mission Statement (if available) A clear and concise statement of organization's mission, not including goals and objectives.
- 2. Goals and Objectives (if available)

Goals = desired future state or direction (1 year or more)

Objectives = intended results or outcomes that are measures of progress towards a goal (1 year or less)

3. 3 - 5 year plan (if available)

State precisely:

- 1. Purpose of requested funds. *List budget items for which funds will be expended.
- 2. Geographical location of where funds will be expended. *Quantify the percentage of programs/activities accessible to the community of the following locations (percentages should add up to 100%):

_____ City of Cortez
_____ Montezuma County

_____ Other (outside of Montezuma County)

3.	Why is it critical you receive this funding?
4.	How will funding of your organization's activities meet the City Council's funding priorities (from page 1)?
5.	Describe the community support for your organization or program.
6.	How will you evaluate the success of your organization or program?
7.	Please list other support provided to your organization by the City of Cortez (if any).

Part 3: Financial Information

Attach the following financial statements for your organization. Be sure that attachments are labeled. Please do not send full audit, only the information listed:

Signature:	Date:	
	(please print)	
Application submitted by:		
Previous completed fiscal year	r	
Current year to date		
Balance Sheets (summary)		
Previous completed fiscal year	r	
Current year to date		
Profit & Loss Statement (budget vs. actual)		

Part 4: Follow-up Report

No more than one page (front and back)

All Year 2020 grant recipients that are applying for 2021 funds are required to submit a follow-up report on the Year 2020 organization.

Reports should include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- A. Number of people served
- B. Actual use of funds
 - a. Budget items
 - b. Geographical location where funds were expended (quantify the percentage of programs/activities accessible to residents of the following locations: City of Cortez, Montezuma County, and outside of Montezuma County)
- C. Describe how your organization/program benefited the community
- D. Describe any problems with your programming or organization that City Council should know about
- E. Other