San Mateo County Summer 2022 Enrichment Program
Program Overview

I. Overview:
On February 8, 2022, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors approved $3.3 million to create the Summer 2022 Enrichment Program. This grant program is for providers that commit to using grant funds to:

• Expand access to summer enrichment programs for low-income and vulnerable students;
• Support the social-emotional wellbeing of students to mitigate the setbacks and hardships associated with COVID-19; and
• Provide opportunities for students to reinside and propel learning to counterbalance learning loss attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic and distance learning.

Awarded grant amounts may vary and will be scaled to reflect program capacity and ability to expand program access to targeted students and must be operational for Summer 2022.

II. Eligibility:
Eligible grant applicants must:

• Be located in San Mateo County
• Provide summer enrichment programs that span at least 4 weeks (20 days) and offer at least 4 hours of programming per day
• Serve school-age children (rising kindergarten – rising seniors)
• Be able to submit a W-9
• Provide self-attestation of compliance with current licensing, health & safety, and background check requirements of respective programs

Enrichment Programs focus on developing the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs and interests of students through hands-on, engaging learning experiences. Such programs introduce students to learning opportunities and materials, encouraging them to develop new interests and build new skills.

III. Application Priorities:
Grant funding will be distributed broadly throughout San Mateo County according to a weighted point system. Prioritization will be given to programs that can demonstrate they:

Serve Priority Populations:
• Primarily serve, or through the help of the grant have the potential to serve, 50% or more socio-economic disadvantaged (SED) students.
  o SED defined as students whose annual family income is less than 80% of the Area Median Income (i.e., $139,400 annual income for a family of four)
• Serve a significant number of students with special needs (10% or greater), in foster care, who are experiencing / have experienced homelessness, and are English Language Learners (10% or greater).

Expand Access:
• Through the help of the grant, can expand programming – either through additional slots, expanded hours/ days
• Reach communities throughout the county, especially those who have historically lacked access to summer enrichment programs

Offer Comprehensive Programming:
• Incorporate hands-on learning enrichment into daily programming (please refer to definition of enrichment programming provided earlier in application)
• Incorporate social-emotional support and wellbeing into programming
• Offer culturally responsive care that create positive, safe environments for students
• Offer additional services or referrals to mental health supports
• Provide food for students (preference if offered through the Summer Food Service Program or provide food in partnership with community-based organizations
• Offer transportation services (or subsidies) to/from programs
• Have prior experience running summer enrichment programs and has access to staffing and facilities require to expand
• Partner with local school district for enrollment, referrals, and other available services

IV. Allowable Uses of Grant Funds: All funds must be expended on Summer 2022 programming.

• Operating Expenses: Enhances the operations of summer 2022 enrichment programs but does not supplant current budgets. Allowable expenses could include, but are not limited to:
  o Additional staff personnel costs
  o Counselors and trained mental health staff
  o Transportation for students/ families (stipends or transportation expenses)
  o Food (preference if offered through the Summer Food Service Program a community-based organization)
  o Curriculum
  o Activities/ supplies
  o All costs associated with adding program hours/ days

• Access Scholarships: Subsidies to cover the enrollment costs for socio-economically disadvantaged (SED) students and other vulnerable students (students with special needs, in foster care, English Language Learners, experiencing homelessness).

• (Optional Funding Opportunity) Program Infrastructure Enhancements: Expanding access to comprehensive, enrichment programs may require investments in program infrastructure. This funding is optional and, if awarded, would be in addition to the other grant awards. Requested funds must be operational for Summer 2022. Recommended
allocation is between $5,000 - $25,000 per program site (cap of $50,000 per applicant; preference for sites that have capacity to serve at least 12 students). Allowable expenses could include, but are not limited to:
  o Equipment enhancements – e.g.: shade structures, benches, tables
  o Vans / transportation infrastructure
  o Technology infrastructure

V. Applications Progress:
Applications will be accepted between Monday, February 14 and Friday, February 25 at 5 pm.

Multi-site agencies may submit one application for all programs. Applicants must also complete a Program Budget Spreadsheet that conveys requested funding by program site, which is available to download at www.SMCStrong.com.

Submitting Application:

- Application is submitted online through this portal.
- Program Budget Sheet (by program site) must be submitted via email to: SMC_summerenrichment@smcgov.org
- Completed Applications and Program Budget Spreadsheets are due by Friday, February 25 at 5 pm

Questions about the Summer 2022 Enrichment Program? Email us at: SMC_summerenrichment@smcgov.org