

Town of Castle Rock

2016 (1st Quarter) - Council Community Grant Program Application

2016 COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

1st Quarter (Due by February 12, 2016)

Name of Organization: **Castle View High School**

Address: 5254 N. Meadows Drive

City: Castle Rock

State: CO

Zip: 80109

Contact Name: Pam Alsup

Telephone Number: 303/946-6087

Email Address: palsup@amfam.com

Description of Organization: Castle View After Prom -- parent volunteer committee. We provide a safe, alcohol-free party to the Castle View high school students immediately following prom. Prom is April 30, 2016.

Non-Profit status: 501(c)(3)

Amount Requested (\$500 maximum): \$500

Description of specific project for which funds are requested: This year's after prom event will be held at Family Sports, immediately following CVHS prom. We will host approximately 350 students at the after prom party, providing fun vendors, games, activities and food for the kids.

Eligible project area for which funds are requested: Youth programs and activities

How does this project benefit Castle Rock residents?: It provides a safe and alcohol-free environment to the CVHS students immediately following prom.

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Name of Organization: **Douglas County High School After Prom**

Address: 2842 Front Street

City: Castle Rock

State: CO

Zip: 80104

Contact Name: Mary MacDonald

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Email Address: macpack5@msn.com

Description of Organization:

Douglas County High School After Prom is an event for Castle Rock teenagers promoting safe celebrations after the prom. This is a parent run event that brings in nearly 600 teenagers for safe and fun celebration. Our daunting task is to bring in entertainment, attractions and prizes that will keep nearly 600 teens entertained. We appreciate the past support of City Council and as expenses continue to climb and funds get ever so tighter it's nice to know that our town council is support of this program.

Non-Profit status: 501(c)(3)

Amount Requested (\$500 maximum): 500.00

Description of specific project for which funds are requested: Funds will be used to help offset our overall expense which ranges between \$22-\$25,000.

Eligible project area for which funds are requested: Youth programs and activities

How does this project benefit Castle Rock residents?: After Prom has become one of the most dangerous evenings for young teens. By promoting this safe event we strive to keep our teens and our community away from trouble.

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Name of Organization: **Douglas County Parenting Coalition**

Address: 5000 Buttercup Drive

City: Castle Rock

State: CO

Zip: 80108

Contact Name: Tobey Stein, Executive Chairman

Telephone Number: 303-808-7432

Email Address: tobey.stein@gmail.com

Description of Organization:

The Douglas County Parenting Coalition serves the residents of Douglas County, Colorado by providing free parenting education workshops and programs, maintaining a database of parenting resources, and making referrals to services or resources. The Douglas County Parenting Coalition was established in 2006 as part of the Douglas County Youth Initiative.

Non-Profit status: 501(c)(3)

Amount Requested (\$500 maximum): \$500.00

Description of specific project for which funds are requested:

PERCEPTUAL CARNIVAL Spring Break Activity FREE March 25 Event Space, Phillip S. Miller Library The eye is the window to the soul. It is also the road to academic success for kids. Add ears to that equation and you have a Spring Break event. Kids will think they are playing games, doing activities, eating carnival food, winning prizes, and having fun. Grownups will actually be checking out vision and hearing acuity as well the need for vision therapy, auditory therapy, or speech therapy. A child can have 20/20 vision and still need vision therapy to succeed in school. Often misdiagnosed as ADHD or other disorders and treated with hard-core drugs, the need for vision therapy is not about visual acuity but how the eyes and brain work together. A child may not need a hearing aid yet have trouble processing what he or she hears, thus the need for auditory therapy. And what about a preschooler's cute little lisp? Will they outgrow it or need follow up? Parents know very little about these types of therapies which can make all the difference for a child and schools typically do not offer these therapies. This program will be an opportunity to educate parents as well as to spot problems early in a child's life. The earlier a disorder is addressed, the better the outcome, especially with a perceptual disorder like Amblyopia.. The Douglas County Parenting Coalition will be partnering with Children's Advisory Network and CU-Health to put on this event at which we expect 300 or so parents and children to attend. The program and services will be FREE for all residents. We will match the Castle Rock Community Grant with \$1,900 of in-kind funding as follows: \$400 Claudette Anderson, Cognitive

Therapist \$1,000 Childrens Advisory Network, testing \$500 M.D. Specialist from CU Health, Lone Tree The current cash match is \$200 from the DCPC operating budget and we hope to get some additional donations from local businesses to buy "carnival" prizes for kids. The Castle Rock Community Grant money would be used to buy carnival type food for the kids, entertainers, and small prizes--the testing activities will be presented to kids like carnival games to make them fun. The entertainment and food will keep them from getting bored while they are waiting to be tested. Program Evaluation: Number of residents served Evaluation forms filled out by parents Number of therapeutic referrals made and followed up on Narrative feedback on impact program had on children/families

Eligible project area for which funds are requested: Youth programs and activities

How does this project benefit Castle Rock residents?: This program will benefit Castle Rock children by spotting perceptual and processing problems so they can be treated early in life. If disorders can be diagnosed before a child starts school, their academic outcomes will be immeasurably improved. Even older children can be successfully treated.

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Name of Organization: Greater Castle Rock Art Guild

Address: 314 Wilcox St

City: Castle Rock

State: CO

Zip: 80104

Contact Name: Suzanne Opp

Telephone Number: 303-814-3300

Email Address: president@gcrag.com

Description of Organization: The Greater Castle Rock Art Guild is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization which serves the community in many ways. Membership is open to (and encouraged for) anyone who has an interest in visual arts. Our mission is to provide opportunities for members and community to develop their artistic abilities and appreciation of the arts. The Guild has been in Castle Rock for approximately ten years and is currently housed in the Art on the Edge Gallery at 314 Wilcox.

Non-Profit status: 501(c)(3)

Amount Requested (\$500 maximum): \$500

Description of specific project for which funds are requested: We are requesting funds to help facilitate our youth and teen summer art programming. In past years, this very reasonably priced program has been offered with great success for residents who both attend the classes and those who teach them. Last year, classes were offered every week from June through the end of July. We would utilize the funds to purchase supplies both for the classes and for matting and framing supplies that are used to present an art show at the end of the season. Underwriting the classes in this way makes sure that they are offered at a reasonable price.

Eligible project area for which funds are requested: Youth programs and activities, Senior programs and activities, Community-based performing visual arts programs and activities

How does this project benefit: The feedback we have received from parents and participants of the youth and teen summer art programs has been overwhelmingly

Castle Rock residents?:

positive. As a nonprofit all volunteer organization, grants such as this help to keep our offerings affordable. Not only do we serve students from the Castle Rock area, but many of the teachers who conduct the classes are retired residents. However, we do reach others in Douglas County as well. It is a wonderful way for both young and older residents to engage in creative endeavors together. Because the participants have the opportunity to showcase their works at the end of the summer, we have seen a tremendous impact on their confidence, pride and self-esteem. As well, parents who drop off their kids, often take the opportunity to enjoy the Downtown quadrant, shopping or having lunch at local restaurants while their students are learning.

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Name of Organization: **Young Entrepreneurs Academy**

Address: c/o 420 Jerry Street

City: Castle Rock

State: CO

Zip: 80104

Contact Name: Carrie Buchan

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Email Address: CastleRockYEA@gmail.com

Description of Organization: The Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) is a groundbreaking and exciting year-long program that transforms middle and high school students into real, confident entrepreneurs. Throughout the class, students develop business ideas, write business plans, conduct market research, pitch their plans to a panel of investors, and actually launch and run their own real, legal, fully formed companies and social movements. Students are supported through this process by business experts from the local community, with approximately 60 people this year coming from the Castle Rock/Douglas County area, serving as guest speakers, field trip hosts, mentors, graphic designers, web developers, business plan reviewers, instructors and investors. Founded in 2004 at the University of Rochester, with the support of the Kauffman Foundation, over 100 chapters of the Young Entrepreneurs Academy today serve thousands of students in communities across America.

Non-Profit status: 501(c)(3)

Amount Requested (\$500 maximum): \$500.00

Description of specific project for which funds are requested: We are requesting funds to support costs associated with students' participation in, and preparation for, the spring Investor Panel & Pitch Presentations and Tradeshow, taking place in April 2016. For the Town of Castle Rock, support of YEA! will demonstrate its deep commitment to business creation and the entrepreneurial spirit, however young, which thrives in our community. YEA! alumni success stories include a busy high school freshman whose fine handcrafted and custom-made wood products ushered him into the 2015 Colorado ArtFest, and a 2014 YEA! grad who just received non-profit status for The Manasi Project, a youth-led not-for-profit that partners with local organizations and aspires to help children in impoverished areas of Belize, by providing the educational supplies they need to thrive.

Eligible project area for which funds are requested: Youth programs and activities

The YEA! program connects businesses in Castle Rock with the next generation of CEO's and future customers. Communities, and their residents, across the country are experiencing a benefit from their involvement with the program, through positive publicity and recognition; even proclamations and resolutions from governors and legislators! For residents, it strengthens their bonds to the community, as their student becomes connected with local business executives and leaders in their field of interest. 90% of consumers say they want to hear more from the businesses about the causes they support, and two-thirds would switch to a brand that supports a cause they care about. By creating these relationships between mentors and students, and with these valuable relationships established, it is our hope that many of these young CEOs will choose to remain, or return, to Castle Rock after high school and college, and become active members in the Castle Rock community.

How does this project benefit Castle Rock residents?:

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