

**REDBUD HEALTH CARE DISTRICT  
REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE (RFA)  
(Please Type or Print All Information)**

1. Subject of Request Lower Lake Youth Football Inc. Grant

(Starting Date For New Programs) 4/10/24

2. Requesting Organization Lower Lake Youth Football

3. Street Address P.O. Box 2781

City Clearlake Zip 95422

Telephone 707-350-6136

Web Site \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail jhoot707@gmail.com

4. Individual Accountable For Funds:

Name Jessica Hooten

Title Treasurer

5. Amount Requested (\$) 57,330 Grant Period 2024

6. Background And Basic Information Regarding Organization  
(Use additional pages, as necessary, to fully describe information required)

7. Justification  
(Use additional pages, as necessary, to fully describe information required)

a. Intended Use Of Funds In Detail

b. How Intended Use Of Funds Will Further Delivery Of Health Care Services  
Within Redbud Health Care District

7.3 Detailed Basis For Funds Requested

## Lower Lake Youth Football Inc.

07/31/2024

### Section 6.

Lower Lake Youth Football Inc. is a non-profit 501c3 based in Clearlake CA. We provide a league for organized football and cheerleading for our local youth in grades 2-8. We focus on safety first and secondly encouraging and inspiring the kids to love the sport and build confidence in the process. In March of this year, a completely new Board was assigned to the program. The program was handed over without a non-profit, no bank account, in debt to Riddell Helmets for \$7,000.00, and without any historical documentation specific to the previous board. We paid off the debt and started from square one in March. Attached is our IRS letter of 501c3 status.

Our Board Members are as follows;

Mark Garner - President

Miriam Garner - Vice President

Jessica Hooten - Treasurer

Megan Estep - Secretary

Daniel Hooten - Member

David Estep - Member

We do not have any affiliates.

### Section 7.

- a. When we took over the league we had to inventory all of our gear. The majority of our helmets were expired and what helmets we could use, most had helmet pads that did not correctly fit the heads of our youth. Safety is our #1 priority with the youth, keep them safe by way of using approved and well fitting equipment as well as knowing how to correctly use their body in the sport. helmets and shoulder pads are the 2 main pieces we use to keep the youth safe, they also happen to be quite expensive. In addition to helmets and shoulder pads, there is a new piece of safety equipment that accompanies the helmet, it is called a Guardian Helmet Cover. These are padded covers that go over a helmet for a player to use during practice to reduce additional impact on the head by 33%. We would love to start using these as quickly as we can, for every kid. Our shoulder pads were also very worn and we did not have enough of each size to properly fit the kids. The helmet and shoulder pads are imperative to their safety

while playing, however having these articles on their bodies while playing in the heat of the season, creates its own issues. While exerting so much energy and effort while in the game we keep water on the side lines. Last year we had times where a few kids did not bring enough water to last throughout the game and kids were showing signs of heat exhaustion. Our coaches have to go through classes on heat exhaustion to be able to recognize the signs and symptoms. We are hoping to add a Game Day Hydration Package to our league. This is a combination of 2 large water cooled fans and a water station that can safely and adequately provide water to 8 players at once, and can be used for all 3 teams (Pee Wee, JV and Varsity) on game days. The fans provide a cooler temperature by 20 degrees for the kids to rest in, and help bring body temps down. These fans are portable and come with warranties. Lastly we hope to purchase more tackle pads and practice equipment. In doing so we can limit the amount of person to person contact during practices as much as possible.

- b. During this 2024 funding period our goal with the grant funds is to be able to inventory unexpired helmets, shoulder pads and guardian helmet pads, for the next 2 coming seasons. We also have a goal to make the practice and games as safe as possible for the rest of the league's future. Our coaches take the required classes on tackling, cpr, heat exhaustion and concussions so that they can address issues that arise, by having the right gear and tools available, we hope to prevent any of these issues from ever happening.

## Section 7.2

- a. The Redbud HCG will benefit from this expenditure by having directly contributed and funded the safety and wellness of over 130 local youth, most of whom come from underprivileged families. These kids will want to be a part of the league, therefore staying active and outdoors for many years of their imperative childhood. Creating positive active habits. Also having the correct equipment and additional resources will keep our players out of the emergency rooms. Lower Lake Youth Football Inc. will also announce at all home games the generosity of the Redbud HCG, for their contributions.

See Attached Table for Section 7.3.

All prices have come directly from the sources where items will be purchased from. Riddell Helmets for Helmets and BSN Sports for all other items.



Lower Lake Youth Football Inc.

Item	Cost	Quantity	Total
Riddell Helmets	300	100	30,000
BSN Shoulder Pads	200	60	12,000
Guardian Protective Helmet Cover	70	100	7,000
Game Day Hydration Package (2 fans 1 water station)	5000	1	5000
Pro Down Man Shield Pads	170	6	1,020
Fisher Tackle Wheels 28x14	250	1	250
Fisher Tackle Wheels 54x28	730	1	750
Fisher Tackle Wheels 36x16	410	1	410
Pro Down Step Over Dummy 12"	300	3	900

Total Amount of Proposed Contribution	\$57,330.00
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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service  
Tax Exempt and Government Entities  
P.O. Box 2508  
Cincinnati, OH 45201

LOWER LAKE YOUTH FOOTBALL  
PO BOX 2781  
CLEARLAKE, CA 95422

Date:  
06/10/2024  
Employer ID number:  
30-1412612  
Person to contact:  
Name: Customer Service  
ID number: 31954  
Telephone: 877-829-5500  
Accounting period ending:  
December 31  
Public charity status:  
509(a)(2)  
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:  
Yes  
Effective date of exemption:  
April 10, 2024  
Contribution deductibility:  
Yes  
Addendum applies:  
No  
DLN:  
26053558001474

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to [www.irs.gov/charities](http://www.irs.gov/charities). Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin  
Director, Exempt Organizations  
Rulings and Agreements