

Who

Any teacher or therapist at a low-income public school serving TK-12th grade special needs children (with **moderate to severe disabilities**) in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties is eligible to apply. A maximum of two grants will be awarded per school each year, with one grant per teacher.

What

Grants of up to \$500 are available to public school teachers and therapists to serve special education students in grades pre-K through 12. Requests can be for classroom supplies and resources, therapists' pull-out sessions, educational field trips, or professional development.

Examples: sensory integration resources, developmental toys, speech and language materials, oral motor kits, independent living skills field trip, etc.

How

We've made it easy! Simply submit a description of your idea on school letterhead, including the following information:

- Date and notation on top that request is for a Special Education Grant
- School and district name, address, telephone
- Teacher/therapist name, grade level, job description, and email address
- Classroom description (Please state whether the majority your students have moderate or moderate-severe disabilities)
- Title 1 status and/or percentage of students eligible for Free and Reduced-Price Lunch
- Description of your project
- How many students will benefit
- Total amount requested
- Itemization of how money will be spent
- Applications must be signed by both the submitting teacher/therapist and the school principal
- Who the check should be made payable to (school, district or PTA only) and the address the check should be mailed to.

When

Email your request to slira@venturesfoundation.org as soon as it is ready. If approved, funds will immediately be disbursed. Please check our website at www.venturesfoundation.org before writing up a proposal to ensure funding is still available.

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