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Each year the City of Maple Valley accepts applications from Maple Valley agencies and organizations that provide services and events within the community. Applications are now being accepted for 2021 funding. The applications must be fully completed and signed. Applications must be received no later than October 23, 2020. Applications received after October 23, 2020 will not be considered for funding.

There are two grant categories, Human Services and Economic Development/Community Events, based on the type of services/events they contribute to the City. The Economic Development Commission (EDC) will review the applications submitted from applicants that fall into the Economic Development/Community Events category. The Finance Committee will review the applications submitted from applicants that fall into the Human Services category. An application is provided for each category.

A. Economic Development/Community Events

The Economic Development category has two sub-categories, Economic Development and Community Events. To be considered an “Economic Development” grant recipient, the EDC would consider events which attract participants and spectators from the region, state, and across the U.S. who are located outside of Maple Valley, bring significant value to the citizens of Maple Valley and which serve valid municipal purposes (community participation, economic development). Examples of previous grant recipients that would likely fall into this category include the Lake Wilderness Triathlon and the Be the Hope Walk.

To be considered a “Community Events” grant recipient, the EDC would consider events which attract local participants and spectators, bring significant value to the citizens of Maple Valley and which serve valid municipal purposes (community participation). Examples of previous grant recipients that would likely fall into this category include the Maple Valley Youth Symphony, the Creative Arts Council and Maple Valley Days.

B. Human Services

The Finance Committee will retain responsibility for the Human Services process which includes reviewing submitted applications, determining which agencies will be awarded grant funding and the amount of funding to be awarded to each recipient from an established amount allocated for this category. To qualify as a “Human services” grant recipient, the organization would have to meet the following criteria: be registered as a non-profit corporation whose defined mission includes the provision of services to the poor and/or the infirm and serve the city of Maple Valley. Examples of previous grant recipients that would likely qualify under this category include the Greater Maple Valley Community Center, the Maple Valley Food Bank and Emergency Services, Make a Difference Day and Vine Maple Place.

Applicants are welcome to provide pictures and/or brochures with their applications. Once the processes for both categories have been completed, the Finance Committee and the Economic Development Commission will report the results to the City Council.

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