

SeMPer FREY, Inc., dba The Wishes GRANTed Foundation

Grant Policy

(effective _____, 2022)

Grant Program Objectives

SeMPer FREY, Inc. (“**Foundation**”) shall award and distribute grant funds to applicants who/that further its mission and Mission Statement (See, page 1 of the Foundation website, “Home – Our Story” at “Our Mission”). The Foundation’s mission is to provide philanthropic and financial support to qualified applicants by:

- Identifying people, organizations and/or entities in need, worthy of and entitled to grant funds to be awarded and distributed by the Foundation;
- Granting, awarding and distributing funds to people, organizations and/or entities whom/which have been profoundly and/or irreparably impacted by the medical, psychological and/or financial impact of COVID-19;
- Granting, awarding and distributing funds to people, organizations and/or entities whom/which have been impacted by circumstances, medically and/or otherwise, due to circumstances beyond his/her/their/its control and/or caused through no fault of his/her/their/its own;
- Granting, awarding and distributing funds to people, organizations and/or entities who/which will directly benefit from the help, guidance, counsel, teaching and encouragement, financial or otherwise, which the Foundation provides in furtherance of its mission and Mission Statement, and;
- Granting, awarding and distributing funds to people, organizations and/or entities who/which have visited and supported the Foundation website and social media platforms, and who/which embrace the Foundation’s mission and Mission Statement, and who/which believe in good faith are entitled to assistance, financial or otherwise, consistent with the Foundation’s said mission and Mission Statement.

Eligibility & Excluded Activities

The Foundation is entitled and authorized to and may award grant funds to:

- People, organizations and/or entities who/which are recognized by the Foundation Board of Directors as being needy and worthy of and entitled to the requested grant funds consistent with the Foundation’s mission and Mission Statement;
- Programs which further the Foundation’s Grants Program Objectives and which are consistent with the Foundation’s mission and Mission Statement, and;
- People, organizations and/or entities who/which demonstrate an understanding of and agreement with the Foundation’s mission and Mission Statement.

The Foundation is unable to and will not award grant funds to and/or financially support:

- People, organizations and/or entities who/which embrace, adopt and/or advocate political activities or agendas, and;
- People, organizations and/or entities who/which embrace, adopt and/or advocate one or a limited sectarian organization and/or religious group/activities or agendas.

Evaluation Criteria

The Foundation's Board of Directors and/or its Grants Committee will consider the following factors without limitation in assessing the applicant(s) and the application(s) for grant funding:

- Alignment with, support of, recognition of and advocacy for the Foundation's mission and Mission Statement (See, page 1 of the Foundation website, "Home – Our Story" at "Our Mission");
- People, organizations and/or entities who/which by virtue of profound and/or irreparable impact(s) of COVID-19 and/or other like medical and/or related circumstances, financial or otherwise, are or may be in immediate need of financial and/or related assistance and/or may be needy, worthy and/or disadvantaged in Hawaii. In furtherance of the Foundation's mission and Mission Statement, priority may be given to programs which serve, guide, counsel, help, educate and inspire disadvantaged populations in Hawaii as well as on the mainland U.S, to include people, organizations and/or entities who/which are profoundly and/or irreparably impacted, financial or otherwise, through no fault of their own;
- Impact and metrics. The Foundation's Board and/or its Grants Committee will assess whether the grant funds request is in fact a thoughtful, realistic and appropriate request. The Foundation Board and/or its Grants Committee will assess the applicant's worthiness and degree of need, and consideration may be given to whether the grant, if awarded and funded and distributed, will inspire and/or assist the applicant(s) and/or others.
- Geographic diversity. The Foundation's Board and/or its Grants Committee will strive to award requested grant funds to qualified people, organizations and/or entities on neighbor islands, as well as on O`ahu, as well as on the mainland U.S., if appropriate and/or justified and if consistent with the Foundation's mission and Mission Statement.
- Prior receipt of Foundation grant funds or other sources of funding. The Foundation's Board and/or its Grants Committee will consider whether the applicant has been awarded prior grant funds and/or whether the applicant has other regular sources of funding. The Board and/or its Grants Committee will also consider whether an applicant has a prior history of: failing to timely submit post-grant reports (if and when required); failing to meet the terms and conditions of the grant funds award; requesting one or more extensions of time to use unexpended grant funds beyond an award period, and/or; rejection of a grant fund award.

Timeline for Application & Review

➤ How does an applicant submit a grant application?

- The Grant Application should be submitted by e-mail, with all necessary and required attachments, to the Foundation Secretary/Treasurer, **Maria Fialho Frey**, at: Mia.SeMPerFREYInc@gmail.com and at GetInvolved@TheWishesGRANTedFoundation.com.

➤ What is the Foundation's grant cycle?

- The grant application period will open on **January 1** of each year and end no later than **May 31*** of each year. ***For CY 2022 only, applications will be received through October 31.**
- After the grant period ends on **May 31** of each calendar year, commencing calendar year 2023, grant applications will be timely vetted by the Foundation's Board of Directors and/or its Grants Committee, and thereafter presented to the Board for consideration and approval no later than **July 31** of each calendar year.
- The Foundation's Board of Directors and/or its Grants Committee will issue grant fund award letters denoting any specific conditions and/or restrictions on the grant fund award and post-award reports (if any) consistent with the Foundation's Grant Policy. The Foundation's Board of Directors and/or its Grants Committee will also issue notification letters to unsuccessful applicants, and may elect to invite said unsuccessful applicant(s) to reapply in the future.
- The Foundation will disburse awards by and no later than **September 30*** of each year. ***For CY 2022 only, awards will be disbursed by December 31.**

➤ What is the Foundation's approval process?

- Grant applications will be initially reviewed and vetted by the Foundation's Grants Committee.
- A summary of all grant applications received, along with the Grants Committee's recommendations, will be provided to the Foundation's Board of Directors for review and discussion and consideration.
- The summary will identify each applicant, describe the project/purpose for which the grant funds are requested, and indicate the total dollar amount of grant funds requested.

➤ Does the Foundation solicit grant applications?

- The Foundation shall post these grant application guidelines on its website www.TheWishesGRANTedFoundation.com (See, page 6 of the Foundation website, "Request a Grant Now").
- The Foundation may solicit grants through press releases forwarded to general media, via social media platform posts and other like methods and promotion(s).

Terms and Conditions of Grants, if Awarded

- Grantees must use the awarded grant funds only for purposes described in the grant application(s), consistent with the Foundation's mission and Mission Statement and in accordance with the Foundation's Grant Policy.
- Grantees must report any unexpended grant funds remaining at the end of the designated grant period, and either request an extension (indicating how the remaining grant funds will be used and the extended time period needed to use said remaining grant funds) or timely return the said unexpended grant funds.
- Grantees must notify the Foundation immediately if he/she/they/it cannot or elect(s) for any reason not to perform in accordance with the terms of the awarded grant funds or are unable to act in accordance with and pursuant to the Foundation's Mission Statement and Grant Policy.
- The Foundation may impose additional reporting requirements (or other additional oversight requirements and/or restrictions) on any Grantee who/that is not recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service if at its sole and separate discretion the Foundation's Board of Directors deems it in the best interest of the Foundation to impose such additional requirements and/or restrictions.
- Grantees must submit a final written report no later than thirteen (13) months after the date of the grant funds award letter. The final written report must:
 - Describe how the awarded grant funds were used and project outcomes (i.e., how many people benefited and in what way[s] each person benefitted), and;
 - Include a detailed breakdown of expenditures which indicates the total dollar amount of grant funds awarded, the amount of grant funds expended, and any remaining grant funds at of the end of the reporting period.
- The Foundation's Board of Directors and/or its Grants Committee shall contact grantees whom/which are delinquent re: the submission date(s) of the said written report(s) and shall impose a final deadline to submit said report(s) and/or to comply with its other conditions and/or restrictions as necessary and appropriate at the Foundation's sole and separate discretion.

For More Information

For more information, please contact the Foundation Secretary/Treasurer, **Maria Fialho Frey**, at: Mia.SeMPerFREYInc@gmail.com and at GetInvolved@TheWishesGRANTedFoundation.com.