



**CRITERIA FOR 2024 JULIE HAYES “RISING STAR”**  
**\$10,000**  
**PERFORMING ARTS GRANT**

In reviewing grant applications, in addition to evaluating the potential impact of the requests, the Foundation gives careful consideration to:

1. Programs which would contribute to Performing Arts.
2. The ability of the organization or program to become self-supporting after initial seed money or interim funding.
3. The extent of local volunteer involvement and support of the organization’s board.
4. The organization’s fiscal responsibility and management qualifications.

Organizations must be properly constituted and organized with a board of directors, by-laws, financial records, and controls. Grant consideration cannot be given either to individuals nor to organizations that do not have their nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) status from the Internal Revenue Service. Submit the most recent copy of the California state form **RRF-1**. Grant applications will also be accepted from all Gilroy public and private schools and the City of Gilroy.

**GUIDELINES**

**AREAS OF FUNDING:** Performing Arts ~ dance, music, opera, theatre, musical theatre, stagecraft, costume/makeup.

**Serving Community of Gilroy, California**

**GRANT AMOUNT: \$10,000**

**TIMELINE:** Applications will be posted on our website on October 1 of each year. The Applications and all required documents must be submitted no later than **9 P.M. PST, Friday, December 15, 2023**.

**GRANT NOTIFICATION/DISTRIBUTION:** March 2024

**SITE VISIT:** A representative of Gilroy Foundation may be conducting a site visit in September of 2024.

**REQUIRED REPORTS:** TERMS OF GRANT FORM provided with a winning Grant letter must be signed before funding is made. A FINAL REPORT is due by September 30 of the grant year. Failure to submit a complete final report by September 30 shall disqualify the organization for consideration for a grant for the following year or any year until the missing Final Report is submitted. The Final Report is available on the Gilroy Foundation website ([gilroyfoundation.org](http://gilroyfoundation.org)).

In authorizing grants, the Foundation gives preference to projects of the following types, whether undertaken by existing agencies or by new agencies.

1. Projects or programs aimed at providing needed facilities or services, for which public funds are either not available or not sufficient, and the Foundation's contribution, either by itself or in conjunction with other private support, would have a significant impact.
2. Projects that will provide leverage in an agency's ability to secure other funds.
3. Projects that, in responding to known community needs, are designed to coordinate or consolidate community services in an effort to reduce overhead expenses, increase efficiency, or eliminate unnecessary duplication.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

Grants normally will **NOT** be awarded to:

1. Individuals
2. Endowment purposes
3. Influence legislation or elections
4. Scholarships or basic research
5. Travel to, or in support of, conferences
6. Debt retirement or for operational deficit
7. Programs outside of the Gilroy community
8. Contributions to annual fund drives or in support of operational expenses, except during a start-up period
9. Sectarian religious purposes (does not preclude consideration of requests for educational, medical or social service-oriented programs undertaken by church affiliated or supported agencies)
10. Fund the same project for more than three consecutive years