

GRANT APPLICATIONS

In an effort to better utilize our "Block Grant Money", California YMCA Youth & Government is excited to announce the following modifications to our application and disbursement processes:

DELEGATION GRANTS

To help ensure that we are awarding grants to the delegations with the greatest need, we will be moving to a standardized grant application process. Below are a few of the questions that will be asked within the grant application to assist us in determining need:

- Socio economic information for your delegation as a whole.
- Population served within delegation
- Any additional grants/scholarships your delegation is receives.
- Why you are applying for the grant. Is the delegation using it to lower everyone's fees across the board, or is the grant being used to reduce the fees of a few delegates in need?
- The amount of money your YMCA/school is currently offering your delegates.
- Grant applications (available in September 16th MLC Delegation Bulletin #3).

NEW DELEGATION SUPPORT

California Youth & Government recognizes that starting a new delegation is costly and time consuming. Therefore, to assist with getting new delegations off the ground, we have set aside funds for "First Time Delegation" grants. Any potential new delegations can simply indicate their intent on the grant application.

INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Delegates will now also be able to apply for individual scholarships. This option is for the individuals who are from delegations that may not qualify for a grant or need additional assistance based on family income. This application will require the delegate to submit income verification as well as if they are receiving funds from their YMCA/school. Lead Advisors will also need to approve all individual applications.

HOW DOES THE AFFECT MY DELEGATION?

Realizing the importance of support is the primary reason for creating these modifications. Additional dollars have been allotted to our grant/scholarship distribution to accommodate needs. These modifications will allow us to better target those delegations and individual delegates that really need financial assistance. If you have any questions on the new grant processes, please contact Scott at scott@calymca.org.