

Foundation Calls for Club Grant Requests

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The Foundation of Leisure World has granted its 2023 Service Excellence Awards. Now, the Foundation is encouraging other clubs and organizations to submit applications for a new cycle of grants.

The grant request is a multi-step process beginning with completion and submission of the initial application on the Grants page of the Foundation's website, (lwfnd.com). On this page is a very clear outline of what the grants cover and do not cover, along with information for the applicant to provide. Ensure that the grant request qualifications are met before submitting it.

Once the request is received, expect a brief follow-up contact by a Foundation board member. Within a month or two, the request will be considered by the Foundation and a decision is made. The requestor

will be notified immediately.

It is important to know about grant conditions before any request is made.

Foundation grants cover:

- sponsored events such as shows and educational seminars
- capital funding for items such as computers, AV equipment, pianos, specialized equipment and safety and health equipment
- miscellaneous projects such as the Leisure World 50th anniversary book

Foundation grants do not cover:

- projects, improvements or repairs to facilities or landscape projects (replacement/maintenance is a Leisure World operating budget responsibility)

- activities that do not directly benefit residents. For example, the Foundation's charter does not allow it to support children's charities or other worthy causes because they do not directly enhance the quality of life of Leisure World residents
- the cost of food and beverages for events
- support for events that are intended as fundraisers for the sponsoring organization



The Rossmoor Library Guild's Neil Fall, second from left, accepts a grant from the Foundation of Leisure World. Courtesy photo

About the Foundation

The Foundation of Leisure World has no affiliation with the Leisure World Community Corporation. With no subsidies, the Foundation relies on donations and charitable bequests.

The resident-volunteer board

is very committed and proud to maintain a position that can help the community. Check out the Foundation's website to see its members, information about online donating and other ways to give, requesting a grant and more. Payment made online is linked to a secure website.