

Berkeley Association of REALTORS®

Workforce Housing & Homeless Fund

A 501(c)3 Charitable Fund

Mission:

Housing is one of our most fundamental needs, yet in our area the cost of housing puts it beyond the reach to a growing segment of our population. Affordable housing is important so that professionals like teachers, city employees, emergency technicians and other vital service providers can live where they work. Our members support organizations that provide direct assistance to the homeless and their advocates and organizations that provide or build affordable housing in our communities. We also seek to raise public awareness of the ways in which BAR members give back to the community.

Funding Priorities:

- Organizations directly benefiting the homeless population and advocacy groups seeking long-term solutions to the housing crisis
- Organizations and programs providing affordable housing within our communities

Eligibility Guidelines:

- We support programs in Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito and Kensington.
- Requests for grants should be specific in their targeted use for funds rather than seeking a donation to a general fund. (See Grant Application)

Application Procedure:

- Grants are reviewed at regular Committee meetings.
- Grants up to \$1000 can be approved at the committee level; larger requests require committee and full board approval.

Sources of Funds:

- Realtors and Affiliate Members support BAR's Community Funds through voluntary contributions and participation in our annual program of fundraising events.

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Youth Arts and Education Fund

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Mission:

In the firm belief that our children represent our future, we endeavor to support their needs and enhance their growth by supplementing educational and enrichment programs. We make grants to under-funded and developing programs that support the youth in the communities served by our local area Realtors® and related real estate professionals. We also seek to raise public awareness of the ways in which BAR members give back to the community.

Funding Priorities:

- Programs where our contributions can help equalize opportunities for children of all social and economic backgrounds
- Arts and cultural classes and events
- Public and private education including Special Education programs

Eligibility Guidelines:

- We support programs that serve the youth in Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito and Kensington.
- Programs must directly benefit students ages 18 years and under.
- Recipients can be individuals or organizations.

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Grant Request Guidelines

Please provide the following information on a separate piece of paper:

1. Name of Organization
Address
Contact Person/Title
Phone/Fax Numbers
Email Address
2. Total amount of funding requested
3. Description of project or program for which funding is requested
 - How will the funding address your specific need and who does it benefit?
 - Goal and objectives
 - Its significance to the local community
4. Briefly describe your organization
 - Purpose/Mission
 - Summary of services/activities provided
 - Please provide descriptive brochures and/or promotional literature if available.
5. How did you hear about us?

Please submit the above information to:

Berkeley Association of Realtors
Attn: Community Funds Committee
1553 Martin Luther King Jr., Way
Berkeley, CA 94709
-or via email-
rebecca@berkeleyaor.com

For more information, please contact Rebecca Harris @ 510-848-4288