# 2023 Ak-Chin Indian Community Grant Application Cover Sheet

Name of Applicant: Boys & Girls Clubs	Applicant is a:   City/Town/County (circle)					
of the Sun Corridor  Mayor/Supervisor/Chairman/President: Matthew Lem	X Other: Non-Profit Organization					
Contact Person and Title: Matthew Lemberg, Executive Director						
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Program or Project Name:  Purpose (Check all that apply) [x] education □ publ	ic safety A health A environment					
promotion of commerce conomic and commu						
In each of the three years since opening our first Club	in Maricopa, our organization has served more local					
young people than we did the year before. And due to	o the fact that there will be fewer youth services options					
for Maricopa families moving forward, we anticipate	that we will experience another large increase in youth					
participation next year. With these grant funds, the A	k-Chin Indian Community will help our organization					
expand our services to meet this increased demand.						
Beginning and Ending Date May 30, 2023 to May 30, 2024						
Program or Project: Expansion of our Services in Maricopa						
*	al Cost: \$354,000					
Geographic Area Served: Pinal County, specifically N	dersigned agrees that the information contained in this					
*	wledge. The Applicant shall notify the Community if any					
information in this Application changes.						
Simulation 1						
Signature: For the Applicant:	Date: May 22, 2023					
Signature: For the Applicant:  Typed/Printed Name and Title:  Matthew Lem	berg, Executive Director					
For the Fiscal Agent:						
(If applicable)						
Typed/Printed Name and Title:						

# Ak-Chin Indian Community 2023 Prop 202 – 12% Contribution Grant Application Narrative

# A. Purpose of Grant.

1. The purpose of our request is to meet the critical needs of the fast-growing community of Maricopa. We are seeking support this year for our two Maricopa clubs and the expansion of services provided by the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sun Corridor (BGCSC) in Maricopa. This expansion includes taking over the City's youth camps and adding the before-school program at Santa Rosa Elementary School from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. on weekdays. The grant will help facilitate the implementation and operation of these clubs and programs, benefiting the local community by providing additional opportunities for youth engagement and development.

Our history started as the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Casa Grande Valley when we began operating a school-based after school program in Casa Grande in August 1998. Ten months later, we moved in the old Casa Grande Union High School gym, and that was our home for almost 20 years. During our first year of operations, our Average Daily Attendance (ADA) was 50 Club Members per day. Demand for our services has grown over the past 23 years, and we have been able to meet this demand during the school year by opening school-based Clubs (these Clubs have allowed our organization to serve more members without incurring the costs of building new facilities). During the school year, we will operate eight after-school programs: one in Arizona City, two in Maricopa and five in Casa Grande.

Over the years, the we have received appeals from the residents to provide our services. There are currently very few after-school programs for young people in Maricopa that are high quality and affordable. As a result of this need and requests from residents, we started meeting with representatives from the Ak-Chin Indian Community, City of Maricopa and Maricopa Unified School District (MUSD) in 2019 to discuss this possibility and their willingness to partner with us on bringing our services to this community. Based on those discussions (and many others with Maricopa stakeholders), we were able to open our first Maricopa Club at Santa Cruz Elementary School at the beginning of the 2020-21 school year and our second club opened at Saddleback Elementary School on July 21, 2022. This providers MUSD students a safe place to go when they aren't in school (meaning that we offer an after-school program during the school year and an allday program during school breaks). Maricopa is the most populous incorporated city in Pinal County and 17th in Arizona. As such, we have seen a level of demand for our services that matches the demand in Casa Grande where we currently have five Clubs. We take a measured approach when bringing quality programming to the families - one club at a time. Your investment helps our organization strengthen & expand our services in Maricopa. Without these additional resources, we will struggle greatly to provide what these families and the city needs.

Once at our Club, Members rotate through our program areas on a set schedule with their age group. Each area is supervised by a professional staff member who leads the members in numerous tested, proven and nationally recognized programs in six core Program Areas (which are The Arts, College & Career, Education & STEM, Health & Wellness, Leadership & Service and Sports & Recreation) that closely align with the developmental needs of all young people. During the school year, our program will be open immediately after school until 7:00 pm. During school-breaks, we will be open at 7:00 am and stay open until 7:00 pm. Our average daily attendance is over 800 youth across all of our clubs with over 4400 memberships each year. In the summer, we operate three summer programs, two in Casa Grande and one in Maricopa to provide critical services over the summer

break. During the school year, the programs operate immediately after school until 7:00 pm, providing a safe and engaging environment for members. Additionally, during school breaks, the program starts at 7:00 am and remains open until 7:00 pm, accommodating the extended hours when youth are out of school and the outmigration of parents who work outside the City of Maricopa. The expansion of before school support from the Santa Rosa program will be at Santa Cruz branch from 6 am to 8 am Monday through Friday. This time will have different programming than our After School Program, due to the short time we will have the members before school starts. Members will eat breakfast, work on homework and receive additional educational support and socialization. The school district will be providing all transportation and breakfast.

We also entered into a new agreement with the city for them to transfer management of the City's youth camp offerings over to our organization. The transition means that youth camps that have been offered during school breaks and over the summer will no longer be offered through Copper Sky. Instead, registration for summer and out of school time camp programming will be done through our organization. Spaces are limited and available on a first-come-first serve basis. In less than 30 days we have more than 200 youth registered for the Summer 2023 program and have already started a waiting list for others. Our organization serves a significant number of youth, with an average daily attendance of over 600 across all clubs and more than 4,400 memberships each year and anticipate an increase in these numbers with the expansion of our services. This demonstrates the substantial impact the we have on the community, providing valuable opportunities for youth development and engagement.

- 2. Our target population will be MUSD students in grades K-8 who need a safe and affordable place to go when they are not in school (before school, after school and out of school time). Our first Maricopa club, Santa Cruz Branch, currently serves members from Santa Rosa, Pima Butte and Santa Cruz Elementary Schools. Our second club at Saddleback Elementary School serves members members from Saddleback, Butterfield and Maricopa Elementary Schools. We anticipate that most of our members will come from low-income families. Between our two clubs and the before school program operating at our full capacity, we will be able to serve up to 236 Club Members each day. Based on these locations, we will primarily serve students who live in the areas around Saddleback, Pima Butte, Butterfield, Santa Cruz, Santa Rosa and Maricopa Elementary Schools, although we will be able to serve young people from other parts of Maricopa as capacity allows. For the 2022-23 school year at both of our clubs we saw the following and anticipate similar results next year with an increase in members due to our partnerships and expansion of our services:
  - Age: 5-10: 100 | 11-14: 17
  - Gender: Female 112 (52%) | Male 104 (48%)
  - Ethnicity: American Indian: 3% | Asian or Pacific Islander or Hawaiian 2% | Black 20% | Hispanic 29% | White 24% | Two or More Races 16% | Don't know 6%
  - Income Level: Most of Maricopa Club Members do not provide us financial information when they register. However, many of our district families qualify as low income. In 2022-23, 55% of students in the district qualified for Free or Reduced Lunches (meaning that their family income was within 130% 185% of the national poverty level). About 30% of our members come from a single parent household.

These clubs and the expansion of our services will benefit this community by providing a large number of young people with a safe place to go when they are not in school. This means fewer students will be left in a home without an adult, and during this time we help support our members academic learning and needs.

- 3. Our organization's mission is "to inspire and enable all young people to realize their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens." Every young person we serve deserves a chance at a great future. For a variety of reasons, many of our Club Members face several external obstacles on their path to success. Our Clubs provide high-impact, affordable programs, and caring adult mentorship to give our members a chance to learn and grow. Our goal is to help each of our Club Members achieve the following outcomes:
  - *Academic Success:* We want all members to graduate from high school ready for college, trade school, military service or employment.
  - Good Character & Citizenship: We want all members to be engaged citizens who are involved in their communities and who model strong character.
  - *Healthy Lifestyles:* We want all members to adopt a healthy diet, to practice healthy lifestyle choices and to make a lifetime commitment to fitness.

Our organization works diligently to ensure that all interested young people can attend one of our programs. In most cases, the roadblock that a family face is financial. Our organization is committed to offering scholarships to every child who needs one. Last year, our organization provided scholarships totaling over \$300,000 and we are happy to share that we have never turned a child away because of financial reasons. Maricopa has always suffered from a shortage of affordable childcare options, and we are proud that we have been able to meet these critical needs and evolve by expanding our services and provide this additional childcare capacity in Maricopa that is high quality, accessible and affordable.

A recent national study found that young people were more likely to demonstrate greater positive outcomes related to Academic Success, Good Character and Citizenship, and Healthy Lifestyles when they attended a Boys & Girls Club at least 52 days per year (and the positive effects were even greater when they attended at least 104 days per year). For 11 plus years, members who attended Club programs for more than 104 days were more likely to pass these tests than were their peers who did not attend one of our Clubs. Data shows us that members (in grades 3-8) who attended a Club more than 104 days, were 3% more likely to pass the ELA (English Language Arts) and 7% more likely to pass the Math portion on testing than were those students who never attended one of our Clubs. Our organization is very proud of these results, which highlights some of the impact that we are having on our Club Members. Through our high-quality Club Experience with intentional programming and practices that target social-emotional skill development, BGCSC the next generation of leaders by providing transformative experiences that promote youth self-leadership, empathy and community service. This will give our members opportunities and the tools they need to be successful and have a bright future.

Our goal is to expand services in Maricopa to meet the demand for high-quality and affordable after-school programs. We will also continue to provide a safe and engaging environment for young people in Maricopa, offering a variety of tested, proven, and nationally recognized programs. We know that we can't meet our goals without support. We will continue to partner with the city and take over the City's youth camp offerings. We are working to prepare both of our existing clubs for increase in services, always considering accessibility and proximity to schools and residential areas. We will continue to seek funding and resources through grants, donations, fundraising and community partnerships to support expansion of our services. We are in the process of recruiting additional staff to support this increased need and our expansion of services, always seeking the best fit for our team with expertise in the respective program areas to ensure quality supervision and guidance for our members. Regularly assess and evaluate the effectiveness of programs through

feedback, surveys, and observations, and make necessary adjustments to enhance member experience and outcomes.

- 4. Provide a timetable for implementation of the Project.
  - July 21, 2022: Club operations at our second club for student's first day of school
  - Early March 2023: discussions around Maricopa youth clubs transition from the City to BGCSC
  - March 2023: Board meeting where expansion of services discussed by our Board of Directors.
  - March 30, 2023: Announcement that we are taking over summer Youth Programs from the City
  - April 1, 2023: Summer Registration (to include City Youth Programming transition)
  - End of April 2023: Commitment with school/Santa Rosa for taking over before school
  - May & June 2023: Recruitment for program staff
  - May 9, 2023: Reached capacity at our summer club (over 200 members & waitlist started).
  - July 1, 2023: Registration opens (before and After School Programs) for 2023-24 school year.
  - May 30, 2023 to July 14, 2023: Summer Program Dates
  - July 20, 2023: Club operations begin for 2023-24 school year
  - Ongoing: Collaboration with the Ak-Chin Indian Community, City of Maricopa, and MUSD to identify specific program needs and opportunities.

#### A. Resources.

1. The following is a list of current project funding sources:

Source	One-Time or Long Term	
First Interstate Bank (Formerly Great Western Bank)	Long Term	
Maricopa Police Department	Long Term	
Pinal County Federal Credit Union	Long Term	
Ross Dress for Less	Long Term	
Walmart Super Center #4430	Long Term	
Governor's Office (Summer Camps)	One-Time	
CORE Grant	Long-Term	

- 2. MUSD and the City of Maricopa are our main partners on these efforts. We will continue to collaborate with key stakeholders, including the Ak-Chin Indian Community, City of Maricopa, and Maricopa Unified School District (MUSD) as these partnerships support the success and sustainability of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sun Corridor while continuing to meet the needs of our community. We continue to strengthen relationships with local entities, we partner with local governments (city, county and tribal), other youth serving organizations (like Be Awesome Youth Coalition) and service groups (like Rotary Club). We also have our Maricopa Community Board (this group currently has eight committed members, and we hope to eventually increase this number to at least 15 members). These individuals help ensure the success of our Maricopa Clubs by making decisions that fit within our strategic plan, raising funds and planning events to support our Maricopa Clubs and promoting our programs within the community.
- 3. This is a new project in the expansion of services and continuing support for our two clubs, and as such, this funding will not replace any current funding. Grant dollars are essential to our organization and clubs. This is especially true for our Maricopa Clubs. Grants have a major impact on our services and how many students we are able to support with scholarships. The funds we receive from grants, donations, fundraising, etc., allow us to support our members who need financial assistance through scholarships. It is important that we do not rely solely on a single

granting source to provide our services. To this point, we have a long-standing commitment to seek funding from a variety of sources and continually identify the resources we need to continue our work in the future. We have a track record of successful fundraising events, letters, personal donations, and other initiatives for cultivating additional resources. In addition to mirroring and expanding our current efforts, such as direct mail campaigns, business sponsorships and the state, tax credit campaign, we will also look to expand our relationships with current supporters who have locations in Maricopa. We are grateful for any support, should we be selected as a recipient. And just as we have worked hard over the past 25 years to diversify our fundraising efforts and revenue streams in Arizona City, Casa Grande and Maricopa.

# 4. Arizona Tribal Funding:

- a. Pending in the last 18 months none
- b. Funded requests made in the last five (5) years:
  - Ak-Chin Indian Community | June 2018 | \$50,000 | Furniture & Equipment
  - Gila River Indian Community | June 2019 | \$25,000 | Teen Services
  - Tohono O'odham Nation | October 2021 | \$50,000 | Room Sponsorship
  - Gila River Indian Community | 2022 | \$50,400 | Lego League
  - Ak-Chin Indian Community | 2022 | \$50,000 | Saddleback Branch in Maricopa

#### C. Reports.

All transactions (credits and debits) are recorded in our accounting software, and all physical records (deposit slips and receipts) are filed. And within our accounting system, we have a series of budget codes that allow us to allocate all transactions to specific accounts and specific Clubs. With this capability, we will be able to allocate all funds from this grant to our Maricopa Club. An evaluation will be conducted using pre and post testing to measure and report upon the specific development of social and emotional skill sets, prevention skills and other areas of impact for youth gained from the program. We will report to the Ak-Chin Indian Community financial and programmatic information.

D. Budget.

Expenses	Amount Requested Indian Community	from Ak-Chin	Amount Requested from Other Sources	Total Budget
Club Unit Director (2 - 1 at each club)	\$25,000		\$75,000	\$100,000
Facility Usage	\$0		\$15,000	\$15,000
Program Staff (12 - 6 at each club)	\$25,000		\$125,000	\$150,000
Technology	\$0		\$10,000	\$10,000
Telephone	\$0		\$4,000	\$4,000
Administrative Costs	\$0		\$75,000	\$75,000
Total Budget	\$50,000		\$304,000	\$354,000

E. Additional information. Nothing additional to include.



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THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE SUN CORRIDOR INC PO BOX 10291 CASA GRANDE AZ 85130-0048



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Employer identification number: 86-0864429

Dear Taxpayer:

Thank you for your inquiry of Sep. 09, 2021.

Your employer identification number (EIN) is 86-0864429. Please keep this letter in your permanent records. Enter your name and EIN on all federal business tax returns and on related correspondence.

You can get any of the forms or publications mentioned in this letter by visiting our website at www.irs.gov/forms-pubs or by calling 800-TAX-FORM~(800-829-3676).

If you have questions, you can call us at 800-829-0115.

If you prefer, you can write to us at the address at the top of the first page of this letter.

When you write, include a copy of this letter, and provide your telephone number and the hours we can reach you in the spaces below.

Telephone number (	7	Hour	`s
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Keep a copy of this letter for your records.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE SUN CORRIDOR INC PO BOX 10291 CASA GRANDE AZ 85130-0048

Sincerely yours,

Sharon Davies

Program Manager, AM OPS 2

Enclosures: Copy of this letter INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE DISTRICT DIRECTOR P. O. BOX 2508 CINCINNATI, OH 45201

Date: NOV 21 1997

THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF THE CASA GRANDE VALLEY INC
C/O CITY OF CASA GRANDE
300 E 4TH ST
CASA GRANDE, AZ 85222

Employer Identification Number: 86-0864429

DLN:

17053293072007

Contact Person:

D. A. DOWNING

Contact Telephone Number:

(513) 241-5199

Accounting Period Ending:

June 30

Foundation Status Classification:

509(a)(1)

Advance Ruling Period Begins:

August 8, 1997

Advance Ruling Period Ends:

June 30, 2002

Addendum Applies:

No

# Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must send us the information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, we will classify you as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, we will classify you as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if we classify you as a private foundation, we will treat you as a private foundation from your beginning date for purposes of section 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and contributors may rely on our determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you send us the required information within the 90 days, grantors and contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until we make a final determination of your foundation status.

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If we publish a notice in the Internal Revenue Bulletin stating that we will no longer treat you as a publicly supported organization, grantors and contributors may not rely on this determination after the date we publish the notice. In addition, if you lose your status as a publicly supported organization, and a grantor or contributor was responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, that resulted in your loss of such status, that person may not rely on this determination from the date of the act or failure to act. Also, if a grantor or contributor learned that we had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a publicly supported organization, then that person may not rely on this determination as of the date he or she acquired such knowledge.

If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the private foundation excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, gives guidelines regarding when taxpayers may deduct payments for admission to, or other participation in, fundraising activities for charity.

You are not required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, if your gross receipts each year are normally \$25,000 or less. If you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth

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month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete. So, please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You are required to make your annual return available for public inspection for three years after the return is due. You are also required to make available a copy of your exemption application, any supporting documents, and this exemption letter. Failure to make these documents available for public inspection may subject you to a penalty of \$20 per day for each day there is a failure to comply (up to a maximum of \$10,000 in the case of an annual return).

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, we will assign a number to you and advise you of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

If we said in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help us resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

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If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

District Director

Enclosure(s):
Form 872-C