



# KINGSBURG HEALTHCARE DISTRICT

## COMMUNITY NEEDS FUNDING REQUEST

Recipient/Organization Name Kingsburg Ag Boosters

Legal status of your business (LLP, nonprofit, etc.) 501c3

Total Years in business 20+ # of Employees 5 Federal Tax ID # 26-3070344

Purpose for Request We're requesting funding to help support student activities and scholarships throughout the year.

Total Amount Requested \$up to 10,000 How many people will funds serve? 297+

Organization E-Mail kingsburgagboosters@gmail.com Website N/A ktownffa-agboosters

Awarded Funds to be Distributed:  Lump Sum or  On Reimbursement Basis

### Individual Responsible for Awarded Funds:

Name Krista Zavala Title Vice-President

Address P.O. Box 55

City Kingsburg State CA Zip 93631

E-Mail kingsburgagboosters.com Phone Number 559-816-4975

The following information is required in relation to the requested funding. We require the following: 1 signed copy of the application, with items 1-4 (below).

- Project Overview:** Describe in detail how the funds will promote health and wellness and further the District's goal of fostering quality health services and programs that benefit the residents of the District.
- Project Cost:** Itemized budget with an explanation of each itemized cost and the need for such, and supporting documentation, such as actual bids or formal estimates, if any.
- Previous & Current Funding Source:** Is this a reoccurring need?  Yes or  No  
If yes, list previous funding sources Trap Shoot, Spring Social Dinner and Auction, Fireworks booth,

## 1 Project Overview

(\*All high school FFA programs in California are “fully affiliated” which means ag students automatically receive FFA membership in their school’s chapter.)

In a world where students often struggle to feel they belong, Kingsburg FFA is a source of community, a kind of family away from home. That feeling is fostered by planned group activities that welcome all, opportunities to serve on various teams, participation in conferences and peer mentoring. In FFA, all four grades mix together. From the beginning, it is modeled to incoming students that members look out for each other. FFA members are expected to “practice brotherhood”.

Kingsburg FFA promotes acceptance of all. This begins with the active recruitment of incoming freshmen from all local feeder schools, Traver, Kings River, Clay, and Rafer Johnson. It is the responsibility of current FFA members to prepare and present the benefits of FFA participation. As freshmen, all are welcomed and encouraged to try new activities.

Through various outreach projects, Kingsburg FFA fosters community spirit and awareness of the needs of others, as well as the awareness that there are always ways to help. Projects include food and supply drives, toy drives, making blankets to donate, and bringing a petting zoo to the grade schools, to name a few.

FFA provides many opportunities for students to be challenged to take healthy risks. Examples of possible challenges include leadership opportunities, competing in various contests, raising an animal, growing plants, or starting a small business. Taking on new challenges brings with it the opportunity to learn responsibility and the value of hard work, to learn how to be flexible and to adapt as necessary, to learn from success as well as failure. Developing a growth mindset is celebrated in Kingsburg FFA.

Many FFA activities take place outdoors and involve physical effort of some kind. The value of physical work and perseverance quickly becomes apparent to students. As students learn how to help their plants and/or animals thrive, they also become aware of the basics required for good health for all living things.

**In Kingsburg Ag Boosters, we believe students who know they’re not alone and who have somewhere they feel they belong are more secure students. We believe experiences that challenge students help them to grow and to become more resilient people. We believe students who have honed their time-management, communication, and interview skills feel better equipped for life and are more confident and hopeful for their futures. Supporting, educating, equipping and encouraging students strengthens their mental and physical health and sets them up for a healthier future. It is the goal of Kingsburg Ag Boosters to assist Kingsburg FFA and to ensure FFA opportunities are accessible to all, regardless of financial limitations. It is our hope that Kingsburg FFA members can take advantage of all opportunities available to them.**

## 2 Project Cost: Kingsburg Ag Boosters Budget

We have a proposed annual budget of approximately \$60,000 to support FFA chapter students at Kingsburg High School. These funds are primarily raised through annual fundraisers, including the Trap Shoot, Spring Social Dinner and Auction, and a fireworks booth. Of this total, approximately \$10,000 is allocated to directly support students through livestock projects, leadership events, and conferences. These three components are the foundation of our program, encouraging students to engage in hands-on learning, interact with animals, and develop a sense of community, confidence, and personal pride.

Fair-related expenses are estimated at \$6,000 annually. This amount can vary depending on the cost of supplies and food. During the fair, we provide daily breakfast and lunch for all livestock students throughout both weeks. We recognize that the cost of fair food can pose a financial burden for students and their families. By providing meals, we help alleviate this stress, allowing students to focus fully on their projects.

Conference expenses are estimated at \$3,500. These funds are distributed as grants to help cover conference fees, travel, lodging, and meals. This includes both local leadership conferences, which are tailored to specific grade levels, and the state conference. Each conference is designed to develop leadership skills, foster community, and strengthen public speaking abilities. The state conference is the most expensive for students; however, by combining these funds with student fundraising efforts through school-sponsored activities, we ensure that students from all economic backgrounds have the opportunity to attend. Our goal is to ensure that no student is discouraged from applying due to financial hardship.

Field day events are estimated at \$2,400. These events include contests beyond livestock, such as public speaking and judging competitions. Judging contests may involve activities such as vine and tree trimming, as well as livestock evaluation. These events take place outdoors and promote work ethic, pride in craftsmanship, and perseverance. Many occur during late winter and early spring, requiring students to navigate unpredictable weather conditions while completing time-sensitive tasks.

The remaining portion of our \$60,000 budget supports a variety of program needs, including agricultural department vehicles, senior scholarships, farm improvements, program promotion and advertising, supplies for floral and agricultural mechanics classes, a school-wide lunch during FFA Week, year-end awards, and other program enhancements.

We have witnessed students from diverse backgrounds, with varying personalities and skill levels, truly grow and discover a strong sense of self through this program. Many of our Ag Booster members are FFA alumni who have personally experienced the program's positive impact. Other members are parents who are committed to helping students access every opportunity available, regardless of financial circumstances. Our goal is to encourage all students to join, discover their strengths, and become part of a welcoming and supportive community in which they can thrive.

Scholarships 15 @ \$800 with extra \$2000 bonus	\$14,000.00
Truck Payment 4 of 5	\$12,258.03
Farm Improvements	\$3,000.00
Fair Expenses	\$6,000.00
National Convention Grads (3 @ \$800)	\$2,400.00
National Convention Student Grants	\$4,400.00
Student Hotels (Overnight Contest)	\$1,000.00
Field Day Meals- Lunches/Dinner	\$1,400.00
State FFA Leadership Conference (30 @ \$75)	\$2,250.00
Advertising and Promotion	\$2,500.00
Floral Design Class Funds	\$2,000.00
Ag Mechanics Class Funds	\$0
Sponsor School wide FFA Week Lunch February	\$1,000.00
Ongoing Expenses	\$3,000.00
Greenhand, MFE, ALA, SLE Leadership Conference	\$1,250.00
End of Year Awards	\$1,000.00
Proficiency Awards Program	
FFA Program Needs and Improvements	\$3,000.00
Total	\$60,458.03

Fair related items: Bedding for livestock projects, Student Food (breakfast, Lunch, Snacks, Drinks), Showmanship Extravaganza (Awards and Food). Showmanship Extravaganza is a practice show put on at the school farm. The students do exactly as they would at the fair, official dress and show their livestock. This is open to parents and family.

Conference related items: State FFA Conference is an annual conference open to all grades. Students travel for a multi day conference that is held either in North or South California. Greenhand conference is an one day conference open to only Freshmen. MFE, Made for Excellence, is a two day conference open to Sophomores. ALA, Advanced Leadership Academy, is a two day day conference open to Juniors. SLE, Sacramento Leadership Experience, is a four day conference open to Seniors.

Field Day related items: Student hotels and field day meals. Depending on the field day they typically are a one day event. Although some events are held outside the surrounding areas, at those events students and advisors will stay at a hotel day prior or day of the event. These events can be long days for students and advisors.

We offer senior scholarships to qualified seniors. Last year we had a large number of students apply with twenty three. This year eighteen students will be awarded scholarship. Last year we did increase the amount awarded to allow for the larger number applying.

A truck was purchased for the Ag Department to ease the transportation needs of the department. Previously the department would have to coordinate transportation to field days, conferences, fair with the district for use of their vehicles. This purchase has allowed the department to participate in events as they please.

Farm improvements include all things farm related from fans, hosing, pens, greenhouse screening, and security. The farm is used for housing livestock projects, greenhouse projects and during class time depending on the subject for hands-on experience

National Conference is open to all grades held at one central location in the States. Students have been sponsored to go as conference members. Other graduated members are sponsored a portion of their travel expenses so they may receive their American Degrees in person.

Advertising and Promotion encompasses promotion and recruitment at feeder schools. Advertising of department sponsored events.

Floral Design and Ag Mechanics classes are supplemented with supplies for various project expenses. Those classes offer hands-on experience and as such materials are needed.

Ongoing expenses include, CPA related expenses, postage, and printing supplies needed throughout the year.

End of Year awards expenses are used for awards to acknowledge different student achievements.

FFA Program needs and improvements are generally needs to support the program on campus. IT also includes a Chapter officer retreat used to plan for the next school year's activities and meetings.

4 Partner(s)

Kingsburg Ag Boosters currently has no financial partners.

4. **Partner(s):** List all partners (if any), and their financial contributions for this specific project.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

By signing below, the undersigned hereby certifies under penalty of perjury that: (1) information contained within this Acknowledgment is true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge, information, and reasonable belief; (2) the recipient has read and is familiar with all of the District's relevant funding policies, procedures and guidelines; (3) the recipient hereby waives each and all claims and right(s), if any exist, to in any way appeal or otherwise legally challenge any, each and all decisions of the Kingsburg Healthcare District pertaining to this funding award; (4) the governing body of the recipient has duly authorized me to sign this Acknowledgment; and (5) I personally accept and acknowledge legal responsibility to ensure that the funds awarded and paid by the District are expended solely for the purposes specified above.

Signature Krista Zarah Date 1-19-2026

Print Name and Title Kingsburg Ag Boosters Vice-President

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**Date Presented**

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**Amount Requested**

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**Dated Approved**

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**Amount Approved**



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January 27, 2009

KINGSBURG HIGH AG BOOSTERS INC  
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KINGSBURG CA 93631-1542

Purpose : CHARITABLE  
Code Section : 23701d  
Form of Organization : Corporation  
Accounting Period Ending: December 31  
Organization Number : 3163392

#### EXEMPT DETERMINATION LETTER

We determined you are exempt from California franchise or income tax under the California Revenue and Taxation Code section shown above.

The tax-exempt status is effective as of 09/15/2008.

To retain exempt status, organizations are required to be organized and operating for nonprofit purposes within the provisions of the above section. An inactive organization is not entitled to exemption.

This decision is based on information you submitted and assumes that your present operations continue unchanged or conform to those proposed in your application. Any change in operation, character, or purpose of the organization must be reported immediately to this office so that we may determine the effect on your exempt status. Any change of name or address must also be reported.

In the event of a change in relevant statutory, administrative, judicial case law, a change in federal interpretation of federal law in cases where our opinion is based upon such an interpretation, or a change in the material facts or circumstances relating to your application upon which this opinion is based, this opinion may no longer be applicable. It is your responsibility to be aware of these changes should they occur. This paragraph constitutes written advice, other than a chief counsel ruling, within the meaning of Revenue and Taxation Code Section 21012(a)(2).

January 27, 2009  
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For the organization's filing requirements, read enclosed Pub. 1068, Exempt Organizations - Requirements for Filing Returns and Paying Filing Fees. You may download the publication at [www.ftb.ca.gov](http://www.ftb.ca.gov).

Note: This exemption is for state franchise or income tax purposes only. For information regarding sales tax exemption, contact the Board of Equalization at (800) 400-7115 or website [www.boe.ca.gov](http://www.boe.ca.gov).

A copy of this letter has been sent to the Registry of Charitable Trusts.

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