## **FUNDING APPLICATION**

GENERAL INFOR	MATION	J				
Organization Informat	ion					
Legal Name:		Federal Tax ID#:		Are you	Are you a 501(3)(c) charity?	
Lions Club of San Antonio Charity Fund		74-2537768		Yes	Yes	
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# Has the organization applied to the Gordon Hartman Family Foundation in the past and been declined?

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:	
\$13,000	\$300,000	\$103,500	

#### **Mission Statement:**

The Lions Club's motto is "We serve." We work to improve the quality of life in our community.

### **PROJECT INFORMATION**

#### **Program / Project Title:**

Cycle For Life Project 2019-2020

#### **PROJECT TIMELINE**

Start Date	End Date
09/23/2019	10/30/2020

#### **Program / Project Description:**

The project will provide outdoor therapy cycles, which will give valuable therapy, socialization, and fun to the special needs children, wounded warriors, and wounded peace officers in the

San Antonio area. The special conditions our project will address are the Blind and Visually Impaired, Spina Bifida, Cerebral Palsy, Mentally Challenged, Post Traumatic Stress, and other

needs. These cycles will be kept in the homes of the recipients to be available for use 365 days per year. The physical conditioning from cycling has profound benefits for these children and

adults.

Children or adults with birth defects or with other limited physical abilities often face secondary disabilities brought on by low levels of exercise. These secondary disabilities may include excessive weight gain, increased risk of diabetes, and high blood pressure. The presence of any of these conditions may result in expensive medical and/or home health care, adding to the financial burden of families who already struggle with medical expenses related to the primary disability.

There are many Children, Wounded Warriors and Wounded Peace Officers in the San Antonio area who need specialized physical activity.

One way to address the need for exercise - without resorting to expensive physical therapy - is for patients to use a specially designed cycle that works their legs or arms or both at the same time, to power the cycle. This therapy cycle provides valuable exercise for the children and adults, and allows them to participate in normal activities, thus promoting social skills.

In the area served by the San Antonio Founder Lions Club, up to 165 needy children and adults will benefit from the regular use of one of these specially designed cycles. Since most of the families are unable to afford the equipment, the San Antonio Founder Lions Club has established the Cycle for Life Project, in which we purchase the cycles and gift them to the families.

The plan envisions that in the event a child or adult can no longer use his or her cycle, it will be returned to the San Antonio Founder Lions Club and gifted out to another family.

Therapy costs an average of \$80 per hour. Most participants will use this equipment three to four hours a day, or 15 to 20 hours per week. If one assumes only one hour of therapeutic value per week, the cycles provide a therapeutic value of \$80 per week. At 50 weeks of use per year, the therapeutic value is \$4,000 per year. Over a ten-year period, the therapeutic value is up to \$40,000 for each cycle.

An investment of \$1,795 will potentially provide \$40,000 worth of therapy (a 20 to 1 value-to-cost ratio), with the added bonus of improved health, socialization, and self esteem, making the Cycle for Life Project an unbeatable value in all respects.

A contribution of \$13,000 from the Gordon Hartman Family Foundation will give the children and adults more than \$300,000 worth of therapeutic value.

#### **Evaluation Plan:**

Each participant will be pre-evaluated. The special education staff associated with each school that the recipient attends are highly qualified to make the evaluations.

#### Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

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Line item Budget:						
Line Item Description	<b>Total Project Funds Allocation</b>		Gordon Hartman Funds Allocation			
165 cycles at an average price of \$1,795 each	\$300,000		\$13,000			
TOTAL:	\$300,000		\$13,000			
BOARD OF DIRECTORS						
LIST OF BOARD DIRECTORS						
Name & Office Held		Corporate Affiliation				
Eric Flores, President		Accountant				
David Splitek, Immediate Past President		Project Manager				
David Silva, First Vice-President		Retired				
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