



**LODI
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

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August 26, 2025

City Clerk
City of Lodi
221 West Pine Street
Lodi, CA 95240

To: City Clerk, Ramon Yopez, & City Council
Re: Nonprofit Funding Proposal
From: Roger Coover, Lodi Boys & Girls Club

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Grant Request – General Operating Support

The mission of our Club is directly aligned with these council goals:

- *Partnering with public and private entities to provide outreach, education, and activities that engage diverse cultures and communities.*
- *Focusing on youth education and mentorship to foster positive life choices.*

For more than five years, our Club has experienced growing community support. However, this year we are facing a challenge. While foundations and businesses often provide funding for equipment or facility improvements, the heart of our work—our professional staff—remains underfunded. These staff members are the mentors, tutors, and role models who build trusted relationships with local youth. They are the people who are changing the lives of Lodi youth every day.

To sustain these essential roles, we depend on fundraising events and donations from families and local businesses. Earlier this year, our financial outlook was steady. Unfortunately, this summer’s fundraising campaign fell short by \$50,000 compared to previous years, resulting in a \$70,000 deficit between May and July. With economic uncertainty and rising costs impacting household giving, we are at risk of reducing the very services our community depends on most.

This is why we are requesting **\$10,000 in general operating support**. These funds will help sustain our ability to maintain professional staff and ensure every child who walks through our doors has access to safe, supportive, and enriching programs.

Over the past year, more than 470 local children have participated in our after-school and summer programs. From homework help, mentoring, STEM, art, healthy habits, and recreation to community service, our Club provides opportunities that build confidence, character, and skills for life.



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Ninety percent of the kids we serve qualify for reduced or free school meals. Our members come from a wide range of ethnic and economic backgrounds. Beyond youth development, our club provides peace of mind to working parents, knowing their children are in a safe, affordable, and nurturing environment when school is out.

Our programs have been proven to enhance our members' success in school and life, as evidenced by our annual anonymous surveys conducted locally and at clubs nationwide. By investing in our Club, you are investing in the future of Lodi. Together, we are providing a safe environment for kids to learn, grow, and reach their full potential.

Thank you for your consideration and for extending these new funding opportunities to local nonprofit organizations. We are ready to provide additional information you might need to assist your decision process.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Coover
Executive Director
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Lodi Boys and Girls Club, Inc.
EIN# 94-1570121

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Our mission: "To enable and inspire all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens".

Internal Revenue Service

Date: February 6, 2007

LODI BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB INC
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LODI CA 95241

Department of the Treasury
P. O. Box 2508
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Person to Contact:

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Customer Service Representative

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Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of February 6, 2007, regarding your organization's tax-exempt status.

In January 1965 we issued a determination letter that recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax. Our records indicate that your organization is currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that your organization is also classified as a public charity under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that contributions to your organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code, and that you are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,



Michele M. Sullivan, Oper. Mgr.
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