



CITY OF COACHELLA, CA

COMMUNITY BASED GRANT PROGRAM

APPLICATION FOR FUNDS REQUEST

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(Attach additional pages as needed, however applicants are encouraged to be brief.)

1. Application Funding Cycle:

Date: 09/18/2025

July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

2. Total Amount Requested: \$ 1,000.00

If requesting waiver of City fees or charges, please indicate the City service for which the waiver is being requested

N/A

3. Proposed Program/Service of Funding Request:

Food Basket Distribution

4. Agency/Organization:

Galilee Center, Inc.

5. Mailing Address:

PO Box 308

City: Mecca Zip: 92254

6. Telephone: 760-396-9100

Fax: 760-396-5400

7. Official Contact Person:

Name: Lupe Torres-Hilario

Title: Director of Operations

Telephone: 760-396-9100

Fax: 760-396-5400

E-mail: ltorres@galileecenter.org

8. Does this organization have a non-profit status with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)? ☐

Yes ☐ No ☒ (Attach documentation)

9. How long has this organization been in existence?

15 years, July 29, 2020

10. Has the organization previously received funding from the City of Coachella?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please identify the program/service, total prior grant allocation, and the fiscal year in which the funds were received.

Food Basket Distribution, July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

11. Is this request for a ☐ New or ☒ Existing program/service within the City?

12. What is the anticipated time frame to provide the proposed program/service and the expenditure of the requested funds?

Galilee Center provides food baskets throughout the year and we anticipate on using funds from this grant for the month of December, so we could provide a healthy food basket for families during the holidays.

13. Describe briefly how the requested funds will be used.

The funds requested through this grant will be used to purchase dairy products - such as milk, cheese or eggs - for the food distribution program.

14. Will the program/service require additional funding sources? If so, identify all funding sources and provide the steps taken to acquire funding.

Yes, additional funding sources include monetary contributions, private food donations, and food drives at local grocery stores.

15. If the program/service is planned to continue beyond the period provided by this grant, what funding plans are there to sustain the program/service?

Our weekly food distribution is a core service of our organization and will continue beyond the period of this grant. We sustain this program through a combination of community donations, grants, food drives organized by local schools, businesses, and faith-based groups, as well as partnerships with regional food banks. We are committed to ensuring that families in need continue to receive food assistance regardless of changes in funding.

16. How will the proposed program/service serve City of Coachella residents? Will the proposed program/service also serve non-Coachella residents? Please describe.

Each week, we distribute food baskets in Mecca to over 450 families (about 1,800 individuals). Around 20% of these families—roughly 90 households or 360 individuals—live in the City of Coachella and directly benefit from the program. We also serve families from nearby communities facing similar hardships, but this grant will specifically strengthen our ability to support Coachella residents in need.

17. Describe the characteristics of the clients the proposed program/service anticipates to serve (i.e. age group, gender, income level, ethnicity, etc.)

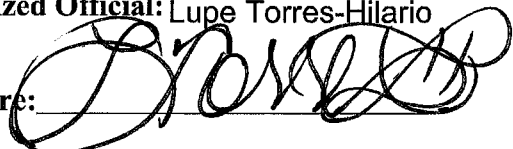
We primarily serve low-income, immigrant, and farmworker families living below the poverty level, many of whom face food insecurity due to irregular employment and low wages. Clients include all age groups—children, adults, and seniors—with many households being multi-generational. Our program provides consistent access to healthy, culturally appropriate food for these vulnerable families.

18. Attach a proposed budget for requested funds.

Authorized Official: Lupe Torres-Hilario

Title: Director of Operations

Signature:



Date:

9/19/25



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Kansas City MO 64999

OMB Clearance No.: 1545-0074

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Employer ID number: 27-3133601

Form 990 required: Yes

Dear Taxpayer:

We're responding to your request dated Aug. 22, 2024, about your tax-exempt status.

We issued you a determination letter in October 2010, recognizing you as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3).

We also show you're not a private foundation as defined under IRC Section 509(a) because you're described in IRC Sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Dohors can deduct contributions they make to you as provided in IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts under IRC Sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

In the heading of this letter, we indicated whether you must file an annual information return. If you're required to file a return, you must file one of the following by the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of your annual accounting period:

- Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- Form 990EZ, Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- Form 990-N, Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations Not Required to File Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
- Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

According to IRC Section 6033(j), if you don't file a required annual information return or notice for 3 consecutive years, we'll revoke your tax-exempt status on the due date of the 3rd required return or notice.

You can get IRS forms or publications you need from our website at www.irs.gov/forms-pubs or by calling 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

If you have questions, call 877-829-5500 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.,

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local time, Monday through Friday (Alaska and Hawaii follow Pacific time).

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Ms. Hanks

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Operations Manager - AMP03

Galilee Center

Services and Program Budget

Item Description	Amount
OLG Shelter Food & Supplies	\$ 37,100.00
Food – Weekly Distribution	\$ 366,000.00
Infant Diapers & Formula	\$ 54,000.00
Rental Assistance	\$ 141,600.00
Utility Assistance	\$ 9,600.00
Senior Services	\$ 72,000.00
Back Packs (Back packs & school supplies for children)	\$ 14,000.00
Christmas Celebration (New toys for children)	\$ 7,000.00
Epiphany Day (New shoes & socks for children)	\$ 9,500.00
Total Emergency Program Budget	<u>\$ 710,800.00</u>

Galilee Center
Account QuickReport
September 2025

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Amount
Deposit	09/11/2025	6213	Direct Public Support	1,000.00
Deposit	09/11/2025	10947	Direct Public Support	1,000.00
Total Direct Public Support				2,000.00