

Youth Empowerment Fund Program

La Vernia Municipal Development District

Introduction

Overview of the Youth Empowerment Fund

The La Vernia Municipal Development District (LVMDD) Youth Empowerment Fund is designed to support to empower youth living within La Vernia city limits. We aim to promote positive development, education, and community involvement among the youth of La Vernia. The fund is intended to support various initiatives, including educational programs, entrepreneurship, leadership development, arts and cultural activities, sports and recreational programs, and community service projects. By investing in these initiatives, we aim to create a nurturing environment that enables our youth to reach their full potential and become valuable community members. Through the Youth Empowerment Fund, we hope to promote leadership, resilience, and provide opportunities that will enhance the lives of young people in La Vernia.

Goals

The La Vernia Municipal Development District (LVMDD) Youth Empowerment Fund goal is to:

- ❖ **Foster Positive Development:** Cultivate an environment that supports the personal and educational growth of young people.
- ❖ **Encourage Community Participation:** Facilitate opportunities for youth to actively engage in their community and contribute meaningfully.
- ❖ **Enhance Educational Attainment:** Promote and support educational initiatives that help students achieve their academic goals.
- ❖ **Promote Leadership Skills:** Develop programs that build leadership qualities and encourage young people to take on leadership roles.
- ❖ **Encourage Community Service:** Provide resources for projects and activities that involve giving back to the community.

Eligibility Criteria

Who Can Apply?

Any individual enrolled in grades K through 12, between the ages of 5 and 18, is eligible to apply.

Organizations of any size or type may also apply, provided they are physically located within the La Vernia city limits and primarily serve or benefit youth of La Vernia.

Program Focus: This program is aimed at youth who want to contribute to the City of La Vernia community by creating educational programs, small businesses, leadership development services, arts and cultural activities, sports and recreational programs, and community service projects.

Geographic and organizational requirements

The organization's location must provide services with the La Vernia City Limits.

Status: The applicant must provide proof of being a community-based organization intending to give back to the community.

Application process

Application Period

Applications are accepted from October 1st to September 30th each year. The applications will be reviewed within 30 business days of submission.

How to Apply

Complete the Application: Use the La Vernia Municipal Development District Youth Empowerment Fund Application form.

Submit Required Documents: Include all Necessary attachments as outlined in the application form.

Submission Methods: Applications can be submitted via email to fcavarjal@lavernia-tx.gov or postal mail PO BOX 225 La Vernia, TX 78121

Funding Details

Applicants may receive financial assistance, an in-kind contribution, or a combination of both, depending on project needs and eligibility.

Funding may only be provided to entities located within the La Vernia city limits.

The La Vernia Municipal Development District may approve funding up to a maximum of \$1,000 per applicant, or up to 50 percent of the total actual project cost, whichever amount is less.

Proof of expenditures must be submitted upon project completion. The LVMDD Executive Director, or designated representative, must certify the documentation and recommend payment prior to disbursement of funds by the LVMDD before funds are disbursed.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is the maximum amount of funding available?

The maximum amount of funding available is \$1,000.00 to each applicant.

Can an organization apply for multiple programs?

No, only one application will be reviewed per year from the organization.

Are there any restrictions on the types of programs funded?

Must be a Youth Program that focuses on community empowerment and must operate within La Vernia city limits. Programs that promote political or religious activities are not eligible.

How can I get help with the application process?

For aid, please contact the LVMDD Youth Empowerment Fund Committee via the contact information provided below.

Contact information

La Vernia Municipal Development District

Youth Empowerment Fund

Executive Director: Felicia Carvajal

City Hall Address: 102 E Chihuahua

Mailing Address: PO Box 225 La Vernia, TX 78121

Phone : 830-779-4541

Email : fcarvajal@lavernia-tx.gov

Website : lavernia-tx.gov

Application

Organization Name: LVPD Golf Scholarship

Organization Address: 4061 CR 342

Organization Contact Person: Donald Keil

Name: Donald Keil

Title: Chief of Police

Phone: 830-779-4541

Email: DKeillvpd@lavernia-tr.gov

Organization's Tax ID Number (EIN): _____

Year Established: 2023

About Your Organization:-

La Verna Police is a municipal law enforcement Agency committed to protecting & serving the community. In addition the department works proactively to build positive relationships with residents and LVESO students to promote education, mentorship and long term success for local youth.

Program Information

Program Title: La Vernia Police Department Golf Tournament

Program Description

Please provide a summary of the program, including its goals and objectives:

- Provide LUESD Graduating students with college financial assistance
- Award financial scholarships annually to qualified Juniors/Seniors
- Encourage participation from local businesses and sponsors
- Promote education advancement in all career fields
- Enhance positive youth engagement with law enforcement
- Recognize and reward student achievement
- Annually provide \$5,000-\$10,000 in scholarships

Target Audience

Age Range: 16-18

Who will be impacted with your project: La Vernia High School Graduates

How will this program empower the La Vernia community?

Build TRUST between La Vernia Police & the community
INVESTS in local students and future leaders
Safe community outcomes over time

Project Start date: March 2026

Project End Date: June 2026

Location of the Project:

River Bend Golf Course
101 Club Drive
Floresville, TX 78114

Funding

Total Amount Requested? \$ 1,000

Budget Breakdown:

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|---------------------------|----------|
| Supplies | \$ |
| Facility rental | \$ |
| Marketing/Outreach | \$ |
| Other: CII Scholarship | \$ 1,000 |
| Other: | \$ |
| Total Budget | \$ 1,000 |

Provide a detailed description explaining how the funds will be used.

- Tuition And Fees
- Books And Supplies
- Housing, Parking And meals
- Required uniforms
- Licensing or exam fees
- Laptop or other software

Has Your Organization received funding from the LA Vernia Municipal Development District before?

YES NO

Impact and evaluation

How will you measure the success of a project?

Participation by the community
Number of sponsors and business donations
TOTAL NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

What are the anticipated outcomes for the project?

HIT TARGET OF \$ 10,000 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
50+ PARTICIPANTS FOR THE EVENT
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT

How will you track and report on the progress and impact of the project?

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED - GOAL IS (10)
TOTAL FUNDS RAISED FOR DISTRIBUTION
SPONSORSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS + PARTICIPATION

Additional Information

Please provide any additional information that would support your application

THE FUNDING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP REPRESENTS AN INVESTMENT IN A STUDENT'S FUTURE AND IN THE OVERALL WELL-BEING OF THE COMMUNITY.

Please provide the following documents with your application:

- Proof of 501(c)(3) status (if applicable)
- Business Logo (if applicable)
- Current budget for this project
- Letters of support or endorsements from a community member (minimum 2)
- Any other relevant materials

Certification

By signing below, I certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that our organization will comply with all the terms and conditions set forth by the La Vernia Municipal Development District.

Signature: 
Name (Printed): Donald Keil
Title: Chief of Police
Date: 2-28-2026

Submission Instructions

Please send your completed application and all attachments to:

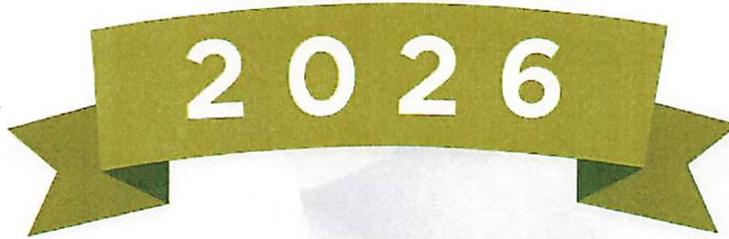
Felicia Carvajal fcarvajal@lavernia-tx.gov

Thank you for your interest in the La Vernia Municipal Development District Youth Empowerment Fund. We look forward to supporting programs that make a meaningful difference in the lives of the youth in La Vernia.

La Vernia Police Department

GOLF

4TH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT



Join us for a day of swings,
sunshine, and sportsmanship

SATURDAY MAY 9TH

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**River Bend Golf Course
101 Club Dr, Floresville, TX
78114**

REGISTRATION FEE:

- \$ 125 per player
- \$ 500 per team of 4
- Includes green fee, golf cart and lunch



REGISTER NOW

[HTTPS://WWW.LAVERNIA-TX.GOV/PAGE/POLICE%20DEPARTMENT](https://www.lavernia-tx.gov/page/police%20department)



La Vernia Independent School District

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La Vernia ISD...Uncompromising Excellence, Unlimited Possibilities

3/4/2026

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the La Vernia Independent School District, I am pleased to provide this letter of support for the La Vernia Police Department Annual Golf Tournament, an important event dedicated to supporting students of La Vernia ISD through scholarship opportunities.

The annual golf tournament reflects the Police Department's continued commitment to serving the community beyond public safety. By organizing this event, the department helps create meaningful opportunities for local students to pursue higher education and achieve their future goals. The scholarships made possible through this tournament represent a direct investment in the next generation of leaders, professionals, and community members.

The partnership between the La Vernia Police Department, local businesses, community leaders, and residents demonstrates the strength and unity of our community. Events like this not only raise funds for deserving students but also foster positive relationships between law enforcement and the citizens they serve, strengthening trust and community engagement.

Supporting La Vernia ISD students through scholarships helps reduce financial barriers and encourages academic achievement, community involvement, and personal growth. The annual golf tournament is a positive and impactful initiative that benefits students, families, and the community as a whole.

I strongly support the La Vernia Police Department Annual Golf Tournament and commend all those involved for their dedication and generosity in helping our students succeed.

Sincerely,

Dr. Freeman Hensley Cone
Superintendent
La Vernia Independent ISD

La Vernia ISD Mission Statement

The mission of La Vernia ISD is to collaboratively educate and inspire all students to be life-long learners with unlimited possibilities as contributing members of society.

March 4, 2026

To: Grant review board;

I am a proud resident of La Vernia, Texas and expressing my strong support for the La Vernia Police Department's application for grant funding to establish a scholarship for a graduating La Vernia High School senior. This initiative represents an outstanding opportunity to invest in the future of our community by helping local students pursue higher education.

The La Vernia Police Department plays a vital role in keeping our community safe while also building positive relationships with residents and youth. By creating a scholarship opportunity for local high school seniors, the department is demonstrating its continued commitment to supporting the next generation and encouraging educational achievement.

For many students and families, the cost of college or technical education can be a significant challenge. A scholarship funded through this grant would provide meaningful financial assistance to a deserving student, helping them take the next step toward their academic and career goals. Programs like this not only support individual students but also strengthen the entire community by investing in young people who will one day become leaders, professionals, and contributors to our region.

I strongly believe that this scholarship initiative reflects the values of La Vernia—community support, opportunity, and a commitment to helping our youth succeed. I respectfully encourage consideration and approval of this grant request so that the La Vernia Police Department can continue making a positive impact on the lives of local students.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Harold Schott
La Vernia, Texas

Letter of Support-LV Police Department Golf Scholarship Grant Application

To Whom It May Concern,

As a resident of La Vernia, I am writing to express my strong support for the Police Department's grant application requesting funding to support a High School Senior Golf Scholarship Program. This program represents a meaningful investment in the future of our community by providing financial assistance to graduating seniors who plan to pursue higher education.

The Police Department's annual golf scholarship initiative not only brings the community together through a positive and engaging event, but it also creates opportunities for deserving students who may otherwise face financial barriers when continuing their education. By supporting scholarships for graduating seniors, this program helps students take the next step toward college, vocational training, or other educational pathways that will allow them to become productive and successful members of society.

In addition to the financial benefit provided to students, this scholarship program strengthens the relationship between the La Vernia police department and the community it serves. It demonstrates the department's commitment to supporting youth, promoting education, and investing in the long-term success of local families. I strongly encourage consideration and approval of this grant request. Supporting this program is a direct investment in education, community partnership, and the future leaders of our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "B. L. [unclear]", written in a cursive style.