



Application for Fee Waiver

The purpose of the fee waiver with the South Sound Partners for Philanthropy is to provide 501 (c) 3 organizations in the South Sound with a demonstrated need the opportunity to benefit from membership within the Partners organization. The fee waiver program is targeted for organizations that are often unable to have a fulltime paid development staff person. A full membership is a \$200 value, which accounts for a complete one year membership in the South Sound Partners for Philanthropy organization. The amount of available fee waiver funding fluctuates on an annual basis and amounts to 10% of that year's total membership dues. While an organization is in the application process and they intend to join if granted a fee waiver, full rights and privileges will be provided to that potential member.

Criteria for Organizations Applying:

- 1) Organization must be able to demonstrate need.
- 2) Organizations must provide services to the South Sound Area.
- 3) If awarded a fee waiver, that member must agree to actively participate in monthly membership meetings as well as serve on a committee during their scholarship year.
- 4) The scholarship process is based on a "rolling admissions" process – fee waiver applications are reviewed in the order they are received on a quarterly basis. Fee waivers will be reviewed in the first three quarters of the year. Should an applicant apply in the last quarter of the year their application will be reviewed during the first quarter of the next year.
- 5) Fee waivers are granted on a yearly basis. Organizations must reapply for the fee waiver every year. After receiving a fee waiver 2 times, new applicants and organizations will be given preference in the scholarship review.
- 6) Larger established organizations experiencing financial challenges will be considered for a fee waiver after showing a demonstrated need.

How to Apply:

- 1) Fill out the one page application
- 2) Include the most completed year budget or balance sheet
- 3) Be sure to explain why \$200 is a financial hardship for your organization
- 4) Connect with the Membership Committee to make sure they know you are interested and start attending meetings to get to know the group and start to benefit from all of the fabulous reasons to be a South Sound Partners Member Organization!

For questions please contact the Membership Committee Representative: Ryan Betz at (360) 956-0755.



Application for Fee Waiver:

Organization Name: _____

Name of key contact person: _____

Name of person completing this application (if different from above):

Organization Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Has your organization received a South Sound Partners Scholarship in the Past?

Yes _____ No _____ if Yes, in what year? _____

1) Please explain your organization's need (you may attach budget information or other documents to further demonstrate your organizational need for this fee waiver). This information will be confidential.

2) Please tell us a little about your organization, staffing structure and its South Sound focus:

Please sign and date this agreement. By signing this agreement you agree that if awarded membership, you or a representative from your organization will actively participate in a minimum of 7 monthly meetings/year as well as serve on a committee with the South Sound Partners for Philanthropy.

Name

Date

Return this application to: South Sound Partners for Philanthropy, PO Box 4182 Tumwater, WA 98501 or to rbetz@bgctc.org. Applications are reviewed every quarter and decisions will be mailed to the applicant the week following the review. For any questions please call the Membership Committee Representative, Ryan Betz at (360) 956-0755.