



Application Copy: Breakaway Fund Application

This is a copy of the application questions for reference only. All applications must be submitted through the Samueli Foundation Grantee Portal.

About Your Organization

Organization name

If your organization has a fiscal sponsor, please add your organization name here. You will be able to share your fiscal sponsor's information below.

Organization mailing address

As a reminder, organizations serving Orange County communities may apply for the Breakaway Fund.

- Address
- City
- State
- Zip Code

Organization website

If your organization does not have a website, please type "N/A."

Organization mission

Briefly share your organization's mission. Please use 150 words or fewer.

Organization status

Please indicate if your organization is incorporated as a 501c3, is under fiscal sponsorship, or is another type of entity that can receive charitable support.

- Incorporated as a 501c3
- Under fiscal sponsorship
- Other (library, school district, synagogue, church, etc.)

Fiscal sponsor name on record

Please share the name of your fiscal sponsor. If you have an existing account, your fiscal sponsor may be listed here. If blank or incorrect, please update in the next question.

Fiscal sponsor name if not on record or different from above**Fiscal Sponsor EIN or Tax ID**

Please provide your fiscal sponsor's EIN or Tax ID.

Social Media Handles

- Facebook
- Instagram
- X
- LinkedIn

Other social media

Please share URLs or handles to any of your other social media accounts (TikTok, Bluesky, etc.), if available.

Has your organization received funding from the Samueli Foundation before?

- Yes
- No

Please indicate which cities your organization currently serves in Orange County.

Please select all the cities that apply. For those organizations that serve the entire county, you may also select "All County" below. If you want to de-select one of your choices, you may delete it by clicking the "x" by the choice in the list that is created below.

- All County
- Aliso Viejo
- Anaheim
- Brea
- Buena Park
- Costa Mesa
- Cypress
- Dana Point
- Fountain Valley
- Fullerton
- Garden Grove

- Huntington Beach
- Irvine
- La Habra
- La Palma
- Laguna Beach
- Laguna Hills
- Laguna Niguel
- Laguna Woods
- Lake Forest
- Los Alamitos
- Mission Viejo
- Newport Beach
- Orange
- Placentia
- Rancho Santa Margarita
- San Clemente
- San Juan Capistrano
- Santa Ana
- Seal Beach
- Staton
- Tustin
- Villa Park
- Westminster
- Yorba Linda

What focus area(s) best describe(s) your organization's mission?

Select all that apply. If you do not see a particular focus area, you may select "Other" below and add your focus area. If you want to de-select one of your choices, you may delete it by clicking the "x" by the choice in the list that is created below.

- Alleviating Poverty
- Animal Welfare
- Arts & Culture
- Civil Rights
- Community Development
- Domestic Violence & Sexual Abuse
- Early Childhood
- Economic Development
- Economic Justice
- Environment
- Grassroots Organizing / Mobilizing
- Health & Wellness
- Housing
- Human Trafficking
- Hunger

- K-12 Education
- Mental Health
- Post-Secondary Education
- Religious & Spiritual Development
- Social Justice
- Sports & Recreation
- Tutoring & Mentoring
- Veterans' Services
- Workers' Rights
- Workforce Development / Employment & Job Readiness
- Youth Development
- Other

If other, please specify

Please use 10 words or fewer to describe your missing focus area.

Contacts

Primary Contact

With whom should we follow up with any questions or updates about this application? Please provide the name, title, phone number and email address of the primary contact. We are only looking for one contact per organization.

- Select "edit" to update your information
- Select "Select Contact" if you would like to provide another person's contact information.

Primary Contact

- Name
- Title
- Phone Number
- Email Address

Fiscal Sponsor Contact, if applicable

Please provide the name, title, phone number and email address for your fiscal sponsor.

- Name
- Title
- Phone Number
- Email Address

Funding Request

Breakaway Fund Program Guidelines

The Breakaway Fund will provide grant awards between \$50,000-\$100,000 for projects in the following categories:

- **Talent and Leadership** – Every professional hockey team invests in coaches, trainers, nutritionists and other people who help their players thrive. Why should nonprofit organizations go without the same types of support? We will consider requests that cover investments in human capital to improve employee recruitment, professional development, organizational culture, and retention other than personnel salaries.
 - Examples include: Professional development classes, executive coaching, and conference registration fees or employee perks and discounts

- **Systems and “Stuff”** – Hockey players rely on having abundant equipment including skates, sticks, pads, helmets, and mouth guards. Their coaches use sophisticated technology to assess game play and plan team logistics. Nonprofits also need to purchase new equipment to support their missions. We will consider requests that cover capital expenses or physical assets that improve your organization’s ability to deliver its mission.
 - Examples include: Technology upgrades (hardware or software) and facility or equipment upgrades

- **Expertise** – Behind every great team are experts that help with complex legal issues, human resources, financial planning, and other work that requires specific contracted expertise. We will consider requests that cover third party technical assistance to augment your current team with the right experts at the right time.
 - Examples include: Specialized legal support and accounting assistance

- **"Season Ticket"** – Not everything you dream of fits into neat boxes. If you have a unique funding request that falls outside of the above categories, please describe your request and we will consider it.

Name of your request or project

Please limit the title to 10 words or fewer.

Select the Breakaway Fund category that best describes your project.

Please select only one category per request. If you would like to change you category, select the "x" to cancel your category and re-select among the list.

- Talent and Leadership
- Systems and "Stuff"
- Expertise
- Season Ticket

Describe your project and how it will strengthen your organization’s capacity and/or advance its mission.

Please use 150 words or fewer to describe your project.

What impact do you expect as a result of this project?

Please limit to 150 words or fewer.

Which one of the Samueli Foundation values most aligns with your project?

Please select only one value.

- Integrity
- Gratitude
- Empathy
- Curiosity
- Creativity
- Trust

Please share briefly how your project embodies the value you have selected?

Please limit to 150 words or fewer.

Amount requested

You can request between \$50,000 and \$100,000 for this project. Please note that you do not need to add the "\$" or any commas for the figure.

Total project budget

Provide the total project budget (inclusive of your funding request). Please note that you do not need to add the "\$" or any commas for the figure.

Is this a one-time expense?

- Yes
- No

If granted, would this award fund your project in full?

- Yes
- No

Have you tried to get funding for this project from other funding sources before? (exclusive of the Samueli Foundation)

- Yes
- No

If Yes, please explain in 50 words or fewer.