

Roberti-Z-Berg Block Grant Information

2000 Roberti-Z-Berg

Amount Allocated: \$51,973

Matching required: \$22,274

TOTAL \$74,247

2002 Roberti-Z-Berg

Amount Allocated: \$45,357

No matching

TOTAL \$45,357

Combined TOTAL: \$119,604

Deadlines: 2000 grant, project must be completed by March 31, 2009
2002 grant, project must be completed by March 31, 2011

Eligible Projects

The following types of Projects are eligible for grant funding. The Local Agency shall adhere to the conditions that apply to these Projects.

1. Acquisition

Acquisition of open space areas is eligible.

Acquisition of historic sites or structures is eligible (see page 2 for more detail).

Acquisition may include developed or undeveloped parcels, fee title, less than fee title, such as easements, rights of way, riparian rights, or any interest sufficient to accomplish Project goals. Priority consideration should be given to open space areas with ready access to large numbers of the immediate population. Acquisition of lands and structures to be converted to recreation use is also eligible.

Property obtained under the state grant program must comply with provisions of Chapter 16, Sec. 7260 of Div. 7, Title 1 of the Government Code, and state procedures established by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

Special circumstances apply if the Project involves the Acquisition of agricultural lands or has an impact on those lands. (See Appendix I, pg. **Error! Bookmark not defined.**).

2. Development/Rehabilitation

Preservation, rehabilitation, or restoration of historic sites or structures are eligible if they are in a park and recreation area (see page 2 for more detail).

Development of a park that meets an identifiable recreation need, or that provides recreation opportunities not now available, is eligible.

Rehabilitation of park, recreation, or historical facilities that are no longer fully serviceable, and that, when rehabilitated, provide expanded or additional recreation or historical opportunities, is eligible.

Adequate Tenure to the property is required for Development/Rehabilitation Projects. Adequate Tenure means the Applicant owns the land or holds a lease or other long-term interest that is satisfactory to the Department.

(See Appendix F, pg. **Error! Bookmark not defined.**)

3. Special Major Maintenance

Eligible Special Major Maintenance Projects include Rehabilitation or refurbishing activities performed on an annual or more infrequent interval, excluding capital improvements and routinized or other regularly scheduled and performed tasks such as grounds mowing, hedge trimming, garbage removal and watering. Special Major Maintenance Projects include activities that will reduce energy requirements to operate recreational lands or facilities. Frequent and routinized operation and maintenance, including costs for equipment and personnel, are not eligible.

IMPORTANT: No more than 30% of the grant amount received may be used for Special Major Maintenance or Innovative Recreation Programs, or a combination of both. Special Major Maintenance Projects must be used at parks that were acquired or developed with funds from the RZH Program.

4. Innovative Recreation Program

Eligible Innovative Recreation Programs are specially designed, creative social and human service activities that, by their nature, are intended to respond to the unique and otherwise unmet recreation needs of special urban populations, including, but not limited to, senior citizens, physically or emotionally disabled, chronic and "new" poor, single parents, "latchkey" children, and minorities. The term includes special transportation programs designed to facilitate access of these groups to parks and recreational programs and facilities.

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Historic Preservation

Projects for Acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation, or restoration of historic sites or structures are eligible if they are in a park and recreation area. Projects must appear on one of the following four registration programs: 1) National Register of Historic Places, 2) California Historic Landmark Program, 3) California Register of Historical Resources, or 4) Points of Historic Interest Program.

Or

If the site is NOT listed in one of these registration programs, the applying Jurisdiction's governing body may provide a resolution declaring the site to have true historic value, and a declaration of its intent to apply immediately for historic registration.

Ineligible Projects

1. Projects located on school properties and used solely for school purposes.
2. Projects on land or improved property acquired by condemnation from an unwilling seller.

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3. Projects traditionally provided by the private, non-government sector or by concessionaires, unless it can be shown that no private entrepreneur is willing to provide services, and there is demonstrated need for the Project.
4. Master planning for park Acquisition and Development.
5. Highway beautification and parking for other than recreation purposes.
6. Routine operations and maintenance.

The minimum local Match, all of which must come from non-state monies, is 3/7 times the jurisdiction's allocation.

Component of local matching money from Private or Non-state Sources:

- Cash donations,
- Gifts of real property, *RZH Block Grant Procedural Guide 9*
- Equipment and consumable supplies,
- Volunteer services,
- Free or reduced cost of lands,
- Facilities,
- Bequests and earnings from wills, estates, and trusts,
- Funds from the federal government,
- Funds from local public agencies other than the Applicant

CRITERIA FOR WAIVER OF MATCH

Waiver Conditions for 10% Private or Nonstate Match (Acquisition and Development Projects)

Grantees may request a waiver of the 10% private or non-state Match either on a Project-by-Project basis or by submitting a single request for waiver of this Match to apply to the Grantee's total allocation. With a waiver, the Grantee is still responsible for a 30 percent local Match but will not be required to certify that one-third of this 30 percent Match is from Private or Non state Sources. It is recommended that this request for waiver be submitted in narrative form to the Department. It may be submitted at the same time the Grantee submits a signed resolution from their governing body to receive a Contract. The Applicant's matching money from Private or Non-state Sources shall not be required if the Local Agency can comply with Item A **and** Items B or C (i.e. A and B **or** A and C).

A. The Applicant currently has available the entire 30% in other eligible matching funds in the event the private or non-state Match is waived (certification required).

AND B.

There has been an unsuccessful attempt to raise private or obtain non-state matching funds or contributions for the proposed Project or similar Projects (submit evidence);

OR

C. An attempt to raise funds would, in the estimation of the Local Agency, be unsuccessful for two or more of the following reasons:

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1. The availability of financial assistance from Private or Non-state Sources for the Project is limited (submit statement);
2. The per capita income in the Applicant's Jurisdiction is lower than the statewide average (submit evidence);
3. The unemployment rate in the Applicant's Jurisdiction is above the statewide average (submit evidence);
4. Plant or business closure in the Applicant's Jurisdiction has accelerated in the past two years (submit evidence);
5. The proposed Project is of a nature not likely to attract private or non-state funds or contributions. This includes, but is not limited to, replacement Projects of existing support facilities (restrooms, parking, irrigation systems, water supply, drainage), site preparation for new developments (grading, utility, fencing), and Acquisition Projects such as in-holdings, easements, and boundary adjustments.