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Students can apply for grants to fund their community service projects by preparing grant proposals that are managed by a community nonprofit agency or their school. After receiving approval by the administrator of a community agency or their school, students and their parents can complete the following grant template to organize their ideas for a funding organization. Funders can be found through online fundraising websites or at a local library that manages an online fundraising database (e.g. Sunnyvale Main Library in Sunnyvale, California) in your community. Once the community agency or school approves your program plan, you can complete their grant application documentation and have the

community agency or school submit their supporting administrative and financial documentation to the funder for grant review and approval.

Sample Grant Proposal Plan for a Community Service Project

Name of Activity:

Date:

Needs Statement:

- What is the problem in your community that needs your help?
- What will be the results from your services or program?
- How does your project support your school or a community agency's work?

Goal Statement/s:

- What are your project goals or big ideas?
- How do these goals support the agency's work or your classroom work?

Project Description, Timeline, and Evaluation:

- How will you solve the problem?
- What other groups will you work with?
- How will you show that you have made a difference and achieved results?

Budget Narrative: What are the project's expenses?

- What are the costs for people working on the project, materials that must be purchased for the project, or other materials or services?

Much success with your fundraising efforts!

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