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REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE (RFA)**

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(Starting Date For New Programs) Official Start of Season 8/12/24

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3. **Street Address** P.O. Box 97

City Lower Lake Zip 95457

Telephone 707-591-3688

Web Site _____ E-Mail Llhsffa1@gmail.com

4. **Individual Accountable For Funds:**

Name Jeremy Jakubowski

Title LLHSFFA President

5. **Amount Requested (\$)** 30,000.00 **Grant Period** 2025

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7. Justification

LLHSFFA seeks the support of the Redbud Healthcare District to supplement the football programs unfilled needs. The football program requires between \$45,000 to \$60,000 in annual costs to run the program. Fundraising efforts in our current economy is steadily declining while our safety needs continue to increase. We are continuing to reach out to all community resources to help supplement expenses to get our programs the necessary health & safety equipment and essentials required to function.

7.1 Intended Use Of Funds In Detail

The funds requested will be used to support student athletes and supply the Lower Lake High School Football Teams with the necessary safety equipment, and supplies needed for the 2024 Fall Season.

7.2 How Intended Use Of Funds Will Further Delivery Of Health Care Services

The members of the Redbud Health Care District will benefit from the requested grant by receiving the necessary safety equipment required to participate in high school football. As the game has grown, the need for certified safety has grown, we must continue to find ways to ensure that we do not turn potential players away from joining and benefitting from the life lessons of participating in athletics. There are several social and emotional benefits that come from being a part of a team such as belonging, overcoming adversity, gaining confidence, following directions, community service, and the importance of education. Aside from life lessons and the health benefits that high quality equipment provides, some of our athletes lack the resources to acquire the basic needs necessary to participate. Their families lack the resources to afford to purchase the basics such as cleats or shorts leading to embarrassment and ridicule from their peers. It is important that we help these individuals feel included and confident as we look to provide a sense of community through sports and mentorship.

7.3 Detailed Basis For Funds Requested

Funds requested will be used for program needs including replacement helmets, chin straps, helmet stickers, guardians, shoulder pads, girdles, softshell helmets, practice pants and pads, practice jerseys, spirit packs, mouthguards, team socks, footballs, field equipment, workout equipment, hydration station, team dinners, etc. See per player cost breakdown below. We fundraise and seek community support to raise additional funds every year to help student athletes cover additional basic needs that they are unable to cover such as cleats, socks, gloves, practice apparel and other personal gear.

Breakdown of basic necessities per player:

Helmet 450-600.00
Chin Strap 40.00
Mouthpiece 12.00
Guardian 70.00
Shoulder Pads 250-350.00
Jersey 150 x2
Practice Jersey 70.00
Belt 15.00
Pants 100.00 x2
Practice Pants 70.00
Knee Pads 11.00
Girdle 65.00
Socks 22.00
Cleats 80.00
Chest Protector 90.00
Spirit Pack (T-Shirt & Shorts) 60.00
Gear Bag 100.00

Total: \$1,905-2,155.00 Per Player

Other expenses:

Helmet Stickers
Helmet Repair Kits
Kicking Tees
Footballs
Water Bottles
Athletic Tape
Pickle Juice
Weekly Team Dinners
Pre-Game Nutrition Fruit & Sack Dinners