GARDEN GROVE
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION
Since 1958

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2026 GG Strawberry Festival Photos

THE GARDEN GROVE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FROM NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS SERVING GARDEN GROVE RESIDENTS

$86,870 To Be Donated to Nonprofits for Improvements, Equipment, Repairs, or Maintenance of Capital Assets

Garden Grove, CA (November 12, 2026) — The Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association (GGSFA), producers of the free, family-friendly Garden Grove Strawberry Festival held annually every Memorial Day weekend, is now accepting Community Grant applications from nonprofit organizations that serve Garden Grove residents. This comes despite the hazmat situation that took place during Memorial Day weekend of this year.

$86,870 raised during this past year's festival is available to qualifying nonprofit organizations. To be considered, requests must be received by Wednesday, December 31, 2026. All requests must be emailed to Donations@strawberryfestival.org.

"Giving back to our community is at the heart of the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association's mission. Each year, we proudly support nonprofit organizations serving children, seniors, youth, and the arts, says Steve Sanders, Donations Chair and Immediate Past President of GGSFA. "We strive to distribute donations fairly, prioritizing Garden Grove-based organizations while also considering those serving Garden Grove residents. Despite the hazmat incident that occurred during Memorial Day weekend this year, our commitment to giving back remains stronger than ever. Supporting the organizations that make a difference."

GRANT ELIGIBILITY & REQUIREMENTS

Eligible Use of Funds
Funding must directly benefit Garden Grove residents and may support:

- Improvements and property upgrades
- New equipment and capital assets
- Maintenance of existing capital assets
- *Organizations that distribute charitable cash grants are **not** eligible

Application Requirements
Applications must be submitted as a letter on nonprofit letterhead and include:

- Organization's Tax ID number
- Purpose of the funding request
- Actual dollar amount requested (not an estimate)

Selection Criteria
Preference is given to organizations that demonstrate:

- A commitment to community improvement
- Fiscal responsibility and organizational stability
- A clear, specific need
- Consistency in achieving their mission
- Services available regardless of race, creed, gender, or age

Ineligible Expenses

- Expendable supplies (paper, toner, ink, etc.)
- Items intended to be gifted or donated to others
- Compensation for individuals providing direct program or service delivery

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Reimbursement
Funding is provided on a reimbursement basis after approved purchases or projects are completed and paid.

For reimbursement, please submit proof of payment by December 31 of the year the grant was awarded

- Paid Receipts
- Invoices
- *Reimbursement extensions must be requested before the deadline

For reimbursement, email Donations@strawberryfestival.org.

Additionally, the GGSFA offers:

- Scholarships to local high school seniors
- A special day treating over 2,000 special needs students to a day of FREE rides, food, and fun
- Transportation costs for local school bands to help them participate in the Saturday parade

Save the Date! The 67th Annual Garden Grove Strawberry Festival returns **May 28-31, 2027**. Sponsorship Opportunities for 2027 will be OPEN soon — Join Us in Making Festival History! Reach out to info@strawberryfestival.org

To learn more about the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival, please visit https://strawberryfestival.org/

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About The Garden Grove Strawberry Festival:
The Garden Grove Strawberry Festival is a FREE event produced by the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. The Association is a dedicated volunteer group that has raised more than $7.5 million for various charities since its inception in 1958. The festival's mission and goal is to give back to the community serving Garden Grove citizens by donating to nonprofit organizations that provide services for children, seniors, youth, and the arts community. **To learn more, please visit www.strawberryfestival.org**

The annual Strawberry Festival held on the Village Green at Euclid Street and Main Street in Garden Grove, CA on Memorial Day Weekend, features a free Strawberry Shortcake Grand Opening Ceremony, Free Music and Shows in the Garden Amp and on the Showmobile, a Free Parade filled with Celebrities, Civic Leaders and Garden Grove Civic Organizations, a VIP Breakfast, Meet-And-Greet Celebrity Autograph Signings, Shopping over 180 vendros, Carnival Rides and Games, and Fun Contests with Prizes, including the Berry, Berry Beautiful Baby Contest, Tiny Tots King and Queen Contest, the Redhead Roundup Contest and more.

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