



San Francisco Public Library

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Carrie Blanding
Executive Director
Friends of the San Francisco Public Library
1630 17th Street
San Francisco, CA 94107

Dear Carrie,

Thank you for your invitation to submit the San Francisco Public Library's grant proposals for Fiscal Year 25. These proposals have been developed based on the Library's Strategic Priorities and citywide goals and were also aligned to Friends of San Francisco Public Library's four funding priorities:

- Children & Youth
- Lifelong Learning
- Arts & Culture
- Library Excellence and Innovation

The request will allow us to begin moving forward on the first steps of our newly created Strategic Plan that sets on a 6-year course for greater community engagement. This funding allows for enrichment of programs and services for all ages, support for multilingual community outreach, as well as for innovative cultural and workforce development programming. The grants to branches will support open house events and programming that fosters intergenerational learning and shared experiences for these neighborhoods. The FY 25 grant request also advances the Library's vision for dynamic professional development opportunities for staff and for the library leadership team, and for building on our racial diversity, equity and inclusion efforts.

The Library is extremely grateful for Friends' annual robust support. This year, we have increased our annual request to **\$1,080,375** which is split between donor-restricted and traditionally funded accounts. With your support, San Francisco Public Library is poised for a transformative year that will showcase new innovations and strategies that support library services for all in our vibrant City.

Sincerely,

Michael Lambert
City Librarian

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