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### Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Budget and Finance Committee AGENDA

Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026

5:30 PM

Van Nuys Branch  
Library

6250 Sylmar Ave.

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Chair of Budget & Finance Committee: David Harari  
Members: Pam Bingham, Connor Chiu, Kathy Schreiner.

1. **Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Discussion and possible action to appoint VNNC board-member, Derrick Spears, to the Budget & Finance Committee.**
3. **Discussion and possible action to recommend that the VNNC Board approve the January 2026 MER (Monthly Expenditure Report). See attached pages 4 - 5 and link below:**  
[https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/VNNC\\_MER\\_Jan2026.pdf](https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/VNNC_MER_Jan2026.pdf)
4. **Discussion and possible action to recommend that the VNNC Board approve an NPG application from Insight Center for Community Economic Development for \$4,000 to help fund the ORANGE Insights program. See attached pages 6 - 13 and link below:**  
<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/Insight-Center-VNNC-NPG-Applciant-Information-general-final-2026.pdf>
5. **Discussion and possible action to recommend that the VNNC Board approve an NPG application from ONEgeneration for \$1,000 to support their Senior Symosium on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Funds will be used to cover rental costs for canopies, tables, and charis. See attached pages 14 – 15 and link below:**  
<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/Van-Nuys-2026.pdf>
6. **Discussion regarding setting a revised date to conduct an inventory of the VNNC storage unit.**
7. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder). Note that topics discussed must be within the jurisdiction of the VNNC.**
8. **Identification of topics Committee members would like to discuss at a future meeting.**
9. **Adjournment**

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# Monthly Expenditure Report



Reporting Month: January 2026

Budget Fiscal Year: 2025-2026

NC Name: Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

Monthly Cash Reconciliation					
Beginning Balance	Total Spent	Remaining Balance	Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available
\$28713.44	\$768.66	\$27944.78	\$5005.48	\$2500.00	\$20439.30

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis					
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available
Office	\$25530.00	\$568.10	\$18509.91	\$1305.48	\$17204.43
Outreach		\$200.56		\$0.00	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00	
Community Improvement Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$9434.87	\$0.00	\$9434.87	\$3700.00	\$5734.87
Funding Requests Under Review: \$2500.00		Encumbrances: \$0.00		Previous Expenditures: \$6251.43	

Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	VBS VONAGE BUSINESS	01/05/2026	Monthly VNNC Vonnage phone service fee. Budgeted line item.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$48.12
2	RALPHS #0047	01/10/2026	Food for 1/10/26 VNNC Board Retreat. Budgeted line item.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$53.69
3	STARBUCKS STORE 51180	01/10/2026	Coffee for 1/10/26 VNNC Board Retreat. Budgeted line item.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$22.00
4	PY ALL RIGHT STORAGE	01/11/2026	Monthly fee for VNNC storage space. Budgeted line item.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$195.00
5	FEDEX OFFIC19000019026	01/14/2026	Printed materials for 1/14/26 VNNC Board Meeting. Budgeted line item.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$61.38
6	LIDO PIZZA	01/14/2026	New more detailed receipt posted to document food purchased for January 14th VNNC General Board Meeting. Budgeted line item.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$144.73
7	STARBUCKS 51180	01/20/2026	VNNC provided snacks and coffee for participants who gathered for the Van Nuys LAHSA Homeless County on Jan. 20 at the Mid Valley YMCA.	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$22.00

8	SMART AND FINAL 374	01/20/2026	VNNC provided snacks and coffee for participants who gathered for the Van Nuys LAHSA Homeless County on Jan. 20 at the Mid Valley YMCA.	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$178.56
9	DNH GODADDY#400150552	01/25/2026	GoDaddy webprovider renewals related to vnnc.org domain. Budgeted line item.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$43.18
<b>Subtotal:</b>						<b>\$768.66</b>

<b>Outstanding Expenditures</b>						
<b>#</b>	<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget Category</b>	<b>Sub-category</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	WENDY L. MOORE / MOORE BUSINESS RESULTS	01/20/2026	Web/Social Posting and E-Blasts	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$598.53
2	WENDY L. MOORE / MOORE BUSINESS RESULTS	02/02/2026	Web and Posting Services for Jan. 2026	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$566.22
3	Pamela Bingham	02/17/2026	Reimbursement for out of pocket payment for food for the November 12th, 2025 VNNC General Board Meeting	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$140.73
4	Columbus Avenue Elementary School	02/25/2026	Discussion and possible action to recommend that the VNNC Board approve an NPG application from Columbus Ave. School for \$3,700 to purchase a fence sign with school name and mascot, and t...	Neighborhood Purpose Grants		\$3700.00
<b>Subtotal: Outstanding</b>						<b>\$5005.48</b>

**Neighborhood Council Funding Program  
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: **VAN NUYS**

**SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION**

<b>Inisght Center for Community Economic Development</b>	<b>94-2410277</b>	<b>CA</b>	<b>January 21, 1977</b>
	<i>Federal I.D. # (EIN#)</i>	<i>State of Incorporation</i>	<i>Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)</i>

**1a) Organization Name**

**6946 Van Nuys Blvd., Suite 220**

**1b) Organization Mailing Address**

**Van Nuys**

**City**

**CA**

**State**

**91405**

**Zip Code**

**1c)**

**NA**

**NA**

**City**

**NA**

**State**

**NA**

**Zip Code**

**Business Address (If different)**

**1d) PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Michael Browning**

**Name**

**(747) 217-9258**

**Phone**

**Mike@Insightccd.org**

**Email**

**2) Type of Organization- Please select one:**

Public School (not to include private schools) or  **501(c)(3) Non-Profit** (other than religious institutions) **Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead Attach IRS Determination Letter**

**3) Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)**

**City**

**State**

**Zip Code**

**NA**

**NA NA NA**

**SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

**4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.**

**See below**

**5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)**

**See below**

**SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE**

(See below) You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary

6a)	<b>Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
	<b>Planning, Data Collection, and Evaluation Consultant:</b>	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,400
	<b>Outreach and Marketing Consultant</b>	\$ 1,300	\$ 5,500
	<b>Administration</b>	\$ 0	\$ 2,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$8,900</b>
6b)	<b>Non-Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
	<b>Translation services (Spanish/Armenian)</b>	\$ 0	\$ 900
	<b>Refreshments</b>	\$ 500	\$ 300
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 1,200</b>
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>	<b>\$10,100</b>
	<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$14,100</b>	

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?  
 **No**    Yes   If Yes, please list names of NCs: **No, but we will seek funding for their own reports: North Hollywood (NoHo, Northeast, & West), Studio City, Valley Village, Sherman Oaks, Greater Valley Glen, Van Nuys, Lake Balboa, Encino, Reseda, Tarzana, Woodland Hills-Warner Center, Winnetka, Canoga Park, West Hills, and Chatsworth (For their own independent assessments)**

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs)  **No**    Yes   If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
Insight Center	\$ 10,100	\$ 14,100
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application:    **\$4,000**

10a) Start date:   1   /   02   /   26     10b) Date Funds Required:   3   /   15   /   26     10c) Expected Completion Date: **6/15/26** / /

(After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

**SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?

No  **Yes**   If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant
All VNNC members	I am a former VNNC board member

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?  
 **Yes**    No   **\*(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED\*

Michael Browning

President

<i>PRINT Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
			12/15/26

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED\*

Yanci Panameno (**Secretary/Treasurer**) 1/15/26

<i>PRINT Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

\* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or [clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org](mailto:clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org) for instructions on completing this form



**Neighborhood Council Funding Program application questions #4–10**

**4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.**

Resident self-determination is the backbone of real community change and the key to improving quality of life. Our communities thrive when residents and elected officials work together, with neighbors helping to define the agenda based on lived experience and data. Elected leaders may change, but residents remain the guiding voice and steady presence. By grounding data-based planning in community priorities, we ensure progress continues beyond any one administration.

**ORANGE Insights: Organizing Residents for Assessment, Neighborhood Greatness, and Engagement:** (Historic Orange Corridor: The fifteen communities situated along the Metro G Line (formerly the Orange Line). This 18-mile stretch spans diverse neighborhoods from North Hollywood to Chatsworth and serves as a microcosm of Los Angeles’ social, economic, housing, safety, and environmental challenges and opportunities. *North Hollywood (NoHo, Northeast, & West), Studio City, Valley Village, Sherman Oaks, Greater Valley Glen, Van Nuys, Lake Balboa, Encino, Reseda, Tarzana, Woodland Hills-Warner Center, Winnetka, Canoga Park, West Hills, and Chatsworth*).

Historic Orange Corridor Community Assessment and Neighborhood Water Needs & Access Survey Initiative (Homeowner Associations, Condo Associations, and other neighborhood-based volunteer-led groups)

Here's a **set of concrete, feasible assessment activities** that can be carried out within a \$4,000 budget and directly tied to the proposal's goals.

Goal 1: Conduct a comprehensive assessment of Archival data for each community along the Metro G-Line (Orange Line) in the Historic Orange Corridor of the San Fernando Valley (*North Hollywood (NoHo, Northeast, & West), Studio City, Valley Village, Sherman Oaks, Greater Valley Glen, Van Nuys, Lake Balboa, Encino, Reseda, Tarzana, Woodland Hills-Warner Center, Winnetka, Canoga Park, West Hills, and Chatsworth*).

Data Sources:

- **Neighborhood Council Demographic Data Dashboard:** Offers detailed profiles on population, income, housing, and more to guide engagement strategies.
- **USC's Crosstown LA Local Data:** Provides hyperlocal insights into crime trends, emergency response, and civic engagement.
- **LA County Department of Public Health's Community Health Profiles:** Includes over 100 indicators across 11 thematic areas impacting health and well-being. By Council District.
- **USC's Neighborhood Data for Social Change (NDSC):** Aggregates data across 150 indicators with visualization tools to track change and advocate for policy improvements.
- **The UCLA Center for Neighborhood Knowledge:** transforms data into action, using spatial analysis to drive equitable policies that uplift diverse, low-income, and immigrant neighborhoods across Los Angeles.
- **Inside Safe Data:** Offers insights into housing-led strategies for transitioning unhoused individuals into stable housing.
- **CIRCLE Program Data:** Tracks community-led responses to non-emergency calls involving unhoused individuals. ((affected Communities: Van Nuys, Sherman Oaks, etc.)
- **2025 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count Data:** Provides the most recent data on homelessness across the region.
- **The Park Needs Assessment** identifies and explores the diverse recreation and park needs across Los Angeles.
- **Los Angeles County Tree Canopy Map Viewer TreePeople 2025**  
This map shows the Existing and Possible Tree Canopy Coverage in Los Angeles County. Possible Tree Canopy includes areas that are theoretically available for establishing tree canopy. This category includes both pervious and impervious areas (asphalt or concrete surfaces, excluding roads and buildings) where improvements could ostensibly be made to accommodate additional trees
- **Inside Safe Outcomes:** Los Angeles' "Inside Safe" is the primary initiative providing safe, temporary housing and services for people living in encampments, moving them into hotels or shelters with supportive services for pathways to permanent housing. What are the numbers?
- **Jobs and Economic Development Incentive (JEDI) Zones data**
- **METRO:** The Metro Active Transportation Strategic Plan (ATSP) is a planning document that sets the vision for how walking, biking, and rolling (active transportation) are supported across Los Angeles County.
- **METRO:** The Half-Mile Travelshed Analysis is a data analysis method used within the ATSP framework to define the primary walking catchment area around transit stations for planning and prioritizing improvements
- **METRO:** The Orange (G) Line Transit Neighborhood Plan, also referred to as the Orange Line TNP or OLTNP, is a long-range planning effort around three Metro Orange (G) Line stations in the eastern San Fernando Valley. As part of the Transit Neighborhood Plans, Los Angeles City Planning is developing regulatory tools and strategies for the areas around the Van Nuys, Sepulveda, and North Hollywood Stations along the Metro Orange (G) Line.

- **Neighborhood Specific Plans:** A Specific Plan (SP) in Los Angeles is a tailored zoning tool and legal document that implements the City's General Plan by setting detailed development standards, land-use regulations, and design guidelines for a specifically defined geographic area. It serves as a regulatory overlay that overrides standard zoning codes, often to guide specialized, comprehensive development.

#### **Activities:**

- Produce a report on findings with an executive summary.
- Provide a community briefing (Neighborhood Outreach Committee): nonprofits, chambers of commerce, civic groups, faith institutions, Schools, law enforcement, neighborhood watch/homeowner associations, foundations, elected officials' field staff, and other funders, etc.)
- Determine gaps in data to shape the development of neighbor and community surveys.

### **Why Archival Data Matters for Community Planning**

Archival data is essential for effective community planning because it provides a historical lens to understand long-term trends, patterns, and outcomes. By analyzing past demographic shifts, economic changes, crime, homelessness, health indicators, and policy impacts, planners can identify what strategies worked, what challenges persisted, and how communities evolved over time. This historical context ensures that decisions are not made in isolation but are informed by evidence, helping avoid repeated mistakes and guiding sustainable, equitable development. Archival data also strengthens accountability, transparency, and trust by showing how priorities and resources have been managed historically, creating a foundation for future planning that is both data-driven and community-centered.

### **Neighborhood Watch Leaders: The Backbone of Community Engagement**

Neighborhood Watch, Block Clubs, Homeowner Associations, and other neighborhood-based volunteer-led groups represent our communities' most committed and connected residents. These grassroots leaders are the **first line of engagement**, linking neighbors, law enforcement, and city agencies through trust, vigilance, and compassion. Their work goes far beyond safety patrols; they organize clean-ups, distribute emergency preparedness materials, lead neighborhood beautification, TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) coordination, Traffic safety advocacy, support vulnerable residents, foster cross-cultural understanding, Coordinate with elected officials' field staff, coordinate Emergency resources, and partner with CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams), Provide training on situational awareness, engagement with homeless and housing matters, protect the environment, parks, trees, and water systems, advocate for resources and programs for children, families, public art, and seniors, reporting suspicious activity, and personal safety, Host neighborhood events, and promote intergenerational understanding. Neighborhood Watch leaders are not just safety advocates but top investors in their neighborhood's quality of life. Their time, energy, and heart sustain the health and resilience of our communities. Funding their assessment, development, and integration into a multi-sector coalition will amplify their impact, transforming resident energy into measurable progress across public safety, civic engagement, and social cohesion. To fully realize the potential of these community champions, we propose a strategic investment in their assessment.

Goal 1: Work with the NC, LAPD, and neighborhood watch leaders/residents etc. to create a survey to assess the needs and strengths of neighborhood watch groups.

The community survey will be conducted in the summer/fall of 2026.

### **Why These Data Sets Matter**

Each dataset offers actionable insights that can strengthen NC planning, advocacy, and community engagement:

Conference that will convene stakeholders, share best practices, and develop collaborative strategies. The intent is to strengthen neighborhood safety, build local capacity, and connect residents with resources and opportunities for long-term community resilience.

### **Data-Informed Capacity-Building Outcomes**

- **Enhance leadership and coordination skills** among Neighborhood Watch captains and volunteers through targeted workshops and peer-learning sessions.
- **Expand communication networks** between residents, Neighborhood Councils, and public safety agencies to ensure timely and transparent information sharing.
- **Provide translation and accessibility resources** so multilingual and multicultural communities can participate fully in safety planning and civic engagement.
- **Develop shared tools and data systems** to track safety concerns, community assets, and quality-of-life indicators across neighborhoods.

### **Activities:**

- Draft survey and questions
- Form an advisory committee of neighborhood watch leaders, law enforcement, nonprofit leaders, animal rescue representatives, neighborhood council representatives, etc., to guide the survey development and protocols.
- Each Neighborhood Council to decide on two unique questions that they want to add to the standard survey.
- Host one all-community neighborhood watch/homeowner association meeting with LAPD to seek feedback on the process.
- Finalize the survey.

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### **5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large?**

This grant will directly serve the public interest by strengthening safety, preparedness, and civic participation across 15 communities in the Historic Orange Corridor. Funds will support a community-led assessment that identifies neighborhood strengths, challenges, and unmet needs related to safety, emergency readiness, homelessness response, environmental conditions, and quality of life. By mobilizing Neighborhood Watch leaders, Neighborhood Councils, and resident volunteers, those most embedded and trusted within their communities, the project ensures that real conditions on the ground guide decisions, resource advocacy, and public investment.

The assessment will result in actionable data that:

#### **Standardized Benefits of Resident-Led Data Collection, Planning & Priority Setting**

##### **1. Strengthen Resident Voice, Leadership & Advocacy**

- Creates a unified community voice through shared and documented priorities, making it harder for officials to ignore resident needs.
- Trains residents in civic engagement, data literacy, and leadership, increasing local capacity and confidence.
- Ensures residents, not political cycles, set the agenda for long-term neighborhood improvement.

##### **2. Improve Community Engagement, Inclusion & Participation**

- Encourages place-based participation and ongoing input from residents, preventing decision-making by a small few.
- Helps identify underserved or overlooked populations through demographic trends and engagement data.
- Tailors outreach, leadership development, and capacity-building workshops to the right audiences, including low-engagement communities.

- Provides a clear benchmark to hold elected officials, public agencies, and institutions accountable year over year.
- Allows residents to track progress on priority issues through documented goals and measurable indicators.
- Clearly shows how decisions were made and whether needs shift, strengthening transparency and trust.

#### **4. Drive Evidence-Based, Responsive Decision Making**

- Helps move Neighborhood Councils and partners away from assumptions toward data-driven strategies.
- Keeps priorities relevant by responding to changing community conditions, housing, safety, environment, homelessness, health etc..
- Uses 100+ indicators (crime, housing, income, civic engagement) and 100+ health measures to guide planning, advocacy, and resource deployment.

#### **5. Guide Policy & Resource Alignment**

- Equips NCs to advocate for city policies and ordinances supported by real data, including safety, homelessness, parks, and equity.
- Helps inform targeted funding decisions, grant-making, and equitable resource allocation across neighborhoods.
- Supports planning for homelessness response by partnering with service providers, tracking trends, and driving solution-oriented advocacy.

#### **6. Support Cross-Sector Coordination & Collaboration**

- Builds a shared language of facts that strengthens partnerships with nonprofits, schools, faith institutions, businesses, and law enforcement.
- Aligns Neighborhood Councils with regional initiatives, economic development, transportation, park improvements, and health equity.
- Promotes shared learning and cross-neighborhood collaboration through regional briefings, coalition tables, and joint advocacy campaigns.

#### **7. Enhance Community Safety, Preparedness & Quality of Life**

- Helps build a unified safety network between residents, LAPD, emergency responders, CERT, and Neighborhood Watch groups.
- Uses data to plan Neighborhood Watch summits, training sessions, and public safety initiatives based on real community conditions.
- Improves preparedness for crises (homelessness surges, crime increases, environmental risks, public health emergencies) by anticipating needs early.
- Directly strengthens quality of life through coordinated action on safety, wellness, public spaces, and resource connectivity.

Because the findings will be shared publicly, every neighborhood will benefit from clearer information, safer streets, more connected residents, and more responsive government systems. Ultimately, this project transforms resident insight into public value by ensuring the safety, resilience, and long-term well-being of our area.

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### **Additional Project Budget Narrative**

The requested Neighborhood Council grant funds will directly support planning, data collection, evaluation, outreach and marketing, and reporting.

#### **Personnel-Related Expenses**

**Planning Consultant and Evaluation Consultant: (\$2,500):** Will design and facilitate the needs assessment process, ensuring that survey instruments and focus group tools reflect neighborhood concerns such as public safety, housing stability, and community well-being.

recommendation categories for Neighborhood Watch groups, NCs, and residents to improve quality of life.

**Outreach and Marketing Consultant (\$1,000):** The Outreach and Marketing Consultant will play a critical role in translating complex data, community assessments, and planning processes into an accessible, culturally responsive, and action-oriented report that empowers residents and neighborhood leaders. The consultant will develop a statement to be considered as an introduction to the report for NCs' website and social media.

**Non-Personnel Related Expenses**

- **Refreshments & Catering (\$500):** Providing refreshments during planning meetings.

**Alignment with Goals**

These personnel and non-personnel investments ensure that community-driven data collection, analysis, and outreach are professionally designed, culturally accessible, and resident-centered.

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**7) Have you applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?**

Not for this project, but ICCED will seek to develop reports for these Neighborhood Councils independently: *North Hollywood (NoHo, Northeast, & West), Studio City, Valley Village, Sherman Oaks, Greater Valley Glen, Van Nuys, Lake Balboa, Encino, Reseda, Tarzana, Woodland Hills-Warner Center, Winnetka, Canoga Park, West Hills, and Chatsworth*

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**8) Is the implementation of this program contingent on other factors/funding?**

No

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**9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application?**

\$4,000

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**10a) Start date:** 02/01/2026

**10b) Date funds required:** 03/15/2026

**10c) Expected completion date:** 06/15/2026

**Insight Center for Community Economic Development** is a nonprofit organization founded in 1969 to support low-income communities through legal and programmatic innovation. With a mission to advance bold economic and community solutions that ensure prosperity for all, Insight Center envisions a country where people and communities are healthy and economically secure. Our Van Nuys office leads collaborative planning efforts to improve outcomes for families, businesses, and neighborhoods across the San Fernando Valley. We convene the 818 Week Coalition, a diverse network of residents, faith leaders, nonprofits, and professionals, to address local challenges through community-led initiatives. These include homeless outreach, animal rescue, neighborhood cleanups, blight abatement, and public safety campaigns. We promote family resilience by offering trauma-informed support and early childhood resources for caregivers and children. We also distribute bilingual materials, coordinate emergency animal care, and advocate for inclusive disaster planning. Insight Center integrates public and private resources to build lasting economic stability, community healing, and civic engagement.

This project builds on that commitment by convening Neighborhood leaders, Neighborhood Councils, and residents in a structured assessment process to identify pressing needs and guide actionable solutions.

**Neighborhood Council Funding Program**  
**APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Van Nuys

**SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION**

1a) <u>ONEgeneration</u> <i>Organization Name</i>	<u>95-406979</u> <i>Federal I.D. # (EIN#)</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State of Incorporation</i>	<u>1978</u> <i>Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)</i>
1b) <u>17400 Victory Blvd.</u> <i>Organization Mailing Address</i>	<u>Van Nuys</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>91406</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1c) _____ <i>Business Address (if different)</i>	_____ <i>City</i>	_____ <i>State</i>	_____ <i>Zip Code</i>
1d) <b>PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:</b>			
<u>Fina Morga</u> <i>Name</i>	<u>818-708-6618</u> <i>Phone</i>	<u>fmorga@onegeneration.org</u> <i>Email</i>	
2) <b>Type of Organization- Please select one:</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Public School <i>(not to include private schools)</i> <b>Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead</b>		or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) Non-Profit <i>(other than religious institutions)</i> <b>Attach IRS Determination Letter</b>
3) _____			
<i>Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>

**SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

4) **Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.**

ONEgeneration would like to request the Canoga Park Neighborhood Council's participation for our 17th annual outdoor Senior Symposium on Saturday, May 16th, 2026. This free event historically brings in over 600 individuals and will allow for the community to engage with local vendors who provide access to resources and services for the older adults, adults with disabilities, and family caregivers. We would greatly appreciate & need your support more than ever to assist us with the cost of equipment rentals (canopies, tables and chairs). We would also welcome the participation of your Neighborhood Council to attend this event and will be provide with a vendor space, canopy (if needed), table, and chairs.

5) **How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)**

The health and wellness of our senior community is of the utmost importance. Our goal this year is to help our older adults be more connected with the community, educated about continuously bettering their health and informed on various opportunities that are available to them. The symposium will be an outdoor event at ONEgeneration's Soccer Field located at 17400 Victory Blvd., Van Nuys, CA 91406. Residents from all over the San Fernando Valley will attend and outreach throughout the Van Nuys community specifically will be conducted. During the event, vendor booths will be set up so seniors and their caregivers can access information and resources. We have opened our new Community Room at the same location mentioned above where we will have on-site educational presentations, health screenings and referrals. Resources include information about ONEgeneration's vaccine clinics, CalFresh & Housing Assistance, senior homebound meal delivery, transportation, Care Management, Supportive Services and virtual health & wellness programs. Participating Neighborhood Councils will have access to a vendor space during this event.

**SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE**

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	<b>Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

6b)	<b>Non-Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
	Rental costs of canopies, tables and chairs	\$1000	\$ 14,000.00
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?  
 No  Yes If Yes, please list names of NCs: Northridge South, Canoga Park, Encino, Winnetka, Woodland Hills, Reseda, Lake Balboa, Tarzana, West Hills

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs)  No  Yes If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$ 1000.00

10a) Start date: 05/16/26 10b) Date Funds Required: 05/16/26 10c) Expected Completion Date: 05/16/26  
 (After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

**SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?  
 No  Yes If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?  
 Yes  No **\*(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

**SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE**

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED\*

Jenna Hauss President & CEO 02/5/26  
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED\*

Jim Esterle Board Secretary 02/5/26  
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

\* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or [clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org](mailto:clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org) for instructions on completing this form