



**Proposition 202 Tribal Gaming
Application Sponsorship/Support Form
Requesting Pinal County serve as the Fiscal Agent/Pass Through Entity**

Name of the Tribal Community: Tohono O'odham Nation

Due date of the application to the Tribal community: June 7, 2024

The following information will be used by Pinal County to 1) send the resolution and grant documents for the applicant to submit to the Tribal community, 2) send the funds, if awarded.

Name of the Non-profit: Gold Canyon Community, Inc.

Contact person/title: David B. Coward, President

Email address: gccinc21@gmail.com

Address: 6499 S Kings Ranch Rd. Ste 6-31, Gold Canyon, AZ 85118

Project name: Gold Canyon Community Center

Amount being requested: \$103,610

Project summary: To provide a resource to our senior population for services, educational opportunities, and a place to socialize.

Beneficiaries: Our majority senior population

Supervisor District: District 5, Supervisor Jeff Serdy

The undersigns hereby certifies they have read and comply with the responsibilities set forth in the PINAL COUNTY TRIBAL GAMING GRANT PROGRAM
Request for fiscal agent/pass through support documentation.

David B. Coward

Director name and signature

TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION PROPOSAL

REQUESTER: GOLD CANYON COMMUNITY, INC.

Organization: Gold Canyon Community, Inc. (GCCCI) a 501(c)(3) (IRS Determination Letter attached)

Contact: David Coward, President **Email:** gccinc21@gmail.com **Phone:** (480) 678-1756

Alternate Contact: Glen Legus **Email:** galegus@snowyop.com **Phone:** (612) 220-6565

Mailing Address: 6499 S Kings Ranch Rd. Ste 6-31 Gold Canyon, AZ 85118

Website: <https://www.gccinc21.org>

Submitting through: Pinal County, Heather Patel, Grant Administrator

Email: heather.patel@pinal.gov

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name: Gold Canyon Community Center Operations

Purpose of Grant: Funding to assist in providing resources to provide programs and services and to hire staff to manage the day-to-day operations and to develop programs and activities to support our senior population

Priority Funding Area: Education and Health Care

Annual Amount Requested: \$103,610

Has organization received past funding from Tohono O'odham: No

Other Funding Sources: We are currently receiving grant funds from Pinal County, sponsorships from a number of local businesses, fundraising activities and donations for the use of the space for special events, meetings and educational sessions. We also received many donations of furniture, supplies, and other items to enable us to function on a limited schedule as volunteer time is available. We are implementing a program to expand our sponsorship levels to help with future funding of activities and programs in the near to long term future for the Community Center. Long-term it is anticipated that the Community Center will be self-sufficient from community sponsors, user fees, and donations from individuals. These requested funds are to assist in the development of programs and activities that will attract users keep the facility open on a more regular basis and support the community.

The Objective

GCCI has been working with Pinal County and ASU in the development of a comprehensive plan for the development of Gold Canyon area. We have developed a working relationship with multiple departments of the county for assistance in a variety of situations and have received grant funds from their Pinal County Supervisor Grant program for the past three fiscal years.

In a community needs assessment, it was determined that a place to physically meet for community activities was lacking. There was no community center that was freely available to residents for gatherings, educational opportunities, or social engagement. It was also noted that the lack of information for assistance for an aging population was lacking. A venue to host information sharing was needed and connections to services was unavailable in a central location for access to all that needed this information.

Subjects like: health promotion, disease prevention, wellness activities, recreational activities that promote physical fitness, nutrition, mental health, behavioral health, drug, alcohol or tobacco use cessation, environmental health, direct patient care, health education, and other programs that may assist in improving the overall health of residents.

The Gold Canyon Community Center Mission is to enhance the quality of life for all residents of Gold Canyon by providing activities and resources by promoting wellness, safety in the home and community, and resources for independent living for our majority senior population. Our Vision is a place where everyone of every age can be supported in their goals for health, wellness, and lifelong learning while living their best life possible.

The proposed project, objectives, and population served

An opportunity to sublease a facility became available to GCCI and we are currently funding the operation of the location to meet the needs expressed above. The current location is on a major artery in the community that is essentially functioning as our “main street” at 6021 Kings Ranch Road, Ste 5. This grant will help expand our capabilities to provide these and more services to meet the growing demands for information and activities not currently available to the residents of Gold Canyon

Currently we are functioning with an all-volunteer staff that to-date has expended over 1,000 volunteer hours since the Community Center opened to develop and conduct programs as well as maintain the facility. Our non-profit, Gold Canyon Community, inc., has been funding this effort through donations, outreach to local small businesses for sponsorship contributions and a small grant from Pinal County. To fulfill the growing needs of the community the funding requested will enable a more robust program effort and a more consistent staffing for the facility.

We are coordinating with the Gila/Pinal County Senior Programs agency to bring their on-going offerings of informational and educational programs to Gold Canyon. Having a Community Center as a permanent facility to accommodate these programs has been a missing element for their providing these services to our senior residents. The concept of a community center was developed to be a resource for socialization, education, and resources to enhance wellness, and safety at home and in our community.

The local county library (Apache Junction Library) is now also servicing Gold Canyon, at the Community Center

location, with a monthly visit by their Mobile Library which brings their services closer to residents of our community. This Mobil Library didn't have a dedicated place to provide this service in Gold Canyon until the Community Center offered to host this activity.

We are also working with other county agencies (Sheriff, County Attorney, Recorder, Assessor, etc.) to share with our residents' elements of their services available to the community.

According to the 2019 U.S. Census, Gold Canyon has a large population of 55+ residents. The median age of the community is between 65-69 years old. Gold Canyon has a small proportion of residents under 30 years old.

Outline of Proposed Activities and Education Opportunities

Wellness Activities: Socialization for mental wellness preventing isolation in a rural community with an aging population.

Health Promotion and Education: Aging

Public Safety – programs and projects that enhance the efforts of sheriff's department and fire departments, crime prevention programs, reduction of environmental hazards, environmental protection or quality, educational programs that address public and individual safety, homelessness, and homeless and transitional shelters.

ELDER ABUSE, what is it, how to prevent and how to report

Online Safety and Cybersecurity - What you need to know: two factor authentication; Banking safety; Is Zelle safe and other tips to ensure safe banking

Safety in the Community, Seasonal events i.e. Renaissance Festival, marathons and other events, how to prepare for an influx of visitors to the community, BLM and recreational areas safety awareness tips

Fire Department: Safety and fall prevention at home, smoke alarms and fire hazards, seasonal hazards, blood pressure checks at The Community Center

Aging safely in place: In-home services, i.e.: housekeeping/homemaker, transportation options

Safety at Home: Tools for Independence, Personal emergency response system (PERS) i.e.: Lifeline, Medical equipment to enhance safety and assist with activities of daily living (ADLs), Medication reminder systems

Ask the Pharmacist: Medications, what you need to know, tips for managing medications safely

Pinal/Gila Senior Citizen Association serving Gold Canyon will provide: Information and Referral, Case Management, IHS- in home supportive services (low-income housekeeping/homemaker services, Adult Protective Services

PROJECT BUDGET DETAIL

Proposed Expense	Amt Requested	Amount Secured Other	Total
Community Center Mgr.	\$ 82,530	\$ 0	\$ 82,530
Facility Overhead	\$ 19,600	\$10,150	\$ 29,750
Technology	\$ 800	\$ 300	\$ 1,100
Marketing	\$ 680	\$ 700	\$ 1,380
Totals	\$103,610	\$ 11,150	\$135,840

Description for each of the project budget items listed.

1. **Community Center Manager** would be paid a salary (including benefits) as identified in the May 2022 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates (US Bureau of Labor Statistics) for code 11-9070 (Entertainment & Recreational Manager title). The Community Center Manager will staff the community center and run the day-to-day operations, coordinate volunteer efforts, and develop and manage the center program activities.
2. **Facility Overhead** includes sub-lease payments, utilities, Insurance, maintenance, and office supplies. Funds not provided by this application would be met by other grants, donations, fundraisers and sponsorships from the community.
3. **Technology** cost is reflected by the purchase of a laptop for office use and a printer/copier/scanner purchased during the first year. Other sources would be through donations, fundraising, or sponsorships.
4. **Marketing** cost are associated with cost of website hosting/maintenance, email services (MailChimp), domain name maintenance. Other sources will be from donations, fundraising, or sponsorships



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6499 S KINGS RANCH RD STE 6 PMB 31
GOLD CANYON, AZ 85118

Date:
11/17/2021
Employer ID number:
86-1423046
Person to contact:
Name: Customer Service
ID number: 31954
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
509(a)(2)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
February 08, 2021
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053642002121

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin

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Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements