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Promotional and Community Event Grant Application

Step 1

Important Information

- **Form Function Note:** In order to go back from a page in the form to a previous page, all required fields on the page must be populated.
- Please read the McKinney Community Development Corporation [Grant Guidelines](#) before completing this application.
- The Grant Guidelines are available on this website or by emailing Info@McKinneyCDC.org.
- A completed application and all supporting documents are required to be submitted via this application for consideration by the MCDC board.
- **Applications must be completed in full, using this form electronically, and received by MCDC by 5 p.m. on the application deadline indicated on the [Grants page](#) of this website.**
- If you are interested in a preliminary review of your grant request or event idea, please complete and submit the online [Letter of Inquiry](#).

Organization Information

Name Texas Women Society

Federal Tax ID Number 883219610

Incorporation Date 7/13/2022

Mailing Address PO Box 250128

City Plano

State TX

Zip Code 75025

Phone Number 2146791853

Email Address	texasws12@gmail.com
Website	www.texasws.org
Facebook	under construction
Instagram	na
Twitter	na
LinkedIn	na

Please provide a detailed narrative about your organization including years established, mission, goals, scope of services, staff, successes, contribution to community, etc.

We, Texas Women Society, are the non profit women organization in North Texas area, founded by three Asian Women Jennie Shen, Summer Yu and Catherine Chen in March 2022. We work diligently to create a welcoming environment where all women can come together, connect and learn about different cultures. Our mission is to empower women and make a positive impact on our community by increasing awareness of different cultures and promoting unity through diversity and understanding.

Since Sep 2022, our organization has expanded to over 100 members, with 5 board directors, all volunteers with no paid. We had total 13 events done, average once a month we have an event from healthy talk to social network. We joined Plano Asian Festival, Dallas International Festival, Meed Annual Fundraising. We contributed more than 500 hours on volunteering the society. All of us have a full time job or business, but, we tried our best to make this organization success.

Organization Type Nonprofit - 501(c) (Attach a copy of IRS Determination Letter)

IRS Determination Letter [tws_501C3_aproval.pdf](#)

Noteworthy recognitions or awards in the last two years. We are a new organization. We don't have history of two years yet.

Representative & Contact Information

Representative Completing Application:

Name	Jennie Shen
Title	president
Mailing Address	PO Box 250128
City	Plano
State	TX

Zip Code	75025
Phone Number	2146791853
Email Address	texasws12@gmail.com

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Contact for Communications Between MCDC and Organization:

Name	Jennie Shen
Title	President
Mailing Address	PO Box 250128
City	Plano
State	TX
Zip Code	75025
Phone Number	2146791853
Email Address	texasws12@gmail.com

Project Information

Funding - Total Amount Requested	12500
Are matching funds available?	No
Will funding be requested from any other City of McKinney entity (e.g. Visit McKinney, Arts Commission, City of McKinney Community Support Grant)?	Yes
Provide name of City of McKinney entity funding source and amount.	Visit McKinney \$8500 (Hotel related marketing and promotion) , Arts Commissions \$2950 (Performance related)
Have you received or will funding be	No

requested from other organizations / foundations for this event(s)?

Has a request for funding for this Promotional / Community Event been submitted to MCDC in the past five years?

No

Board of Directors

Jennie Shen
Catherine Chen
Summer Yu
Dawn Chiu
Nancy Lei

Leadership Staff

Jennie Shen

Board of Directors Attachment

Field not completed.

Leadership Staff Attachment

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Promotional / Community Event Information

Information provided for promotional / community event for which you are seeking funding.

Date(s) of Event

03/23/2024

Ticket Prices

Free of charge to everyone in DFW Area

Describe the target attendee for the event(s)?

The target audience for this community event includes individuals of all ages from DFW area and surrounding states/cities. We aim to reach out to residents, supermarkets handout, local Asian community channel. Businesses, churches, chamber of commerce, schools, and organizations, as well as wider networks through social media and online platforms.

Is this the first time for this event?

Yes

How will the event showcase McKinney for tourism and / or business development?

We intend to showcase the beauty of McKinney, and promote tourism to the city by offering an exciting and engaging cultural experience. We are actively working with businesses in downtown McKinney by having them involved with our pre-marketing plan, by providing discounts to festival-goers, and we are also putting together an informational package on the history of the city and its unique heritage for all visitors to learn and

appreciate.

Our vendors and performers are not limited in DFW area, some of them are from Houston, Oklahoma City, Hot Springs and so on. Our social media promotion will push the event to the area within 50 miles from McKinney. That will help a lot to bring more people to come to our event.

One of our pre-event projects “Your vision of McKinney”, a photographic contest by our organization invites aspiring photographers, regardless of experience or age, to showcase their talent by capturing the city's beauty in their own unique way. We believe that everyone has their own perspective on what makes McKinney special, and this contest offers an opportunity for all participants to showcase their creativity while connecting with others who share the same passion for photography.

Another planned pre-event projects “Scavenger Hunt of Old Town McKinney”, by creating “Marks” in the historic landmark and participated restaurants, retails. Our mission is to encourage people to explore and discover the beauty of Old Town McKinney in a fun and interactive way. By participating in our event, you will be able to visit historical landmarks, experience the local cuisine, and shop at participating retail stores. Once complete the Scavenger Hunt, you will receive a chance to win promotional items and local business' gifts as a token of appreciation for being part of the event and contributing to the growth of the area.

Expected attendance	3000-4000
Expected number or percentage of attendees coming from outside McKinney	50% or more
Location(s) of event(s)	Dr. Glenn Mitchell Memorial Park
Does the event support a non-profit (other than applicant)?	No
What percentage of revenue will be donated(indicate net or gross)?	Unknown yet
Provide a detailed narrative of the event(s) including mission, goals, activities, schedule, production timeline, goals for growth / expansion, etc.	<p>We believe in celebrating diversity and promoting cultural awareness in our community. The McKinney Asian Festival is a prime example of how we are fulfilling our strategic goals and objectives. By showcasing the rich cultural heritage of the Asian community, we intend to educate, inspire, and entertain our guests.</p> <p>Our event is set for Mar 23rd, 2024 at Dr. Glenn Mitchell</p>

Memorial Park, from 11am to 6pm. We will have pre, during, and post events activities.

Our planned activities included variety of Food vendors, handcraft vendors, Children's activity section, photo booth, performance, lantern showcase.

Our children's activity is designed to bring communities together through traditional Asian DIY projects. We believe that implementing cultural education in our activities is a great way for children and families to learn about different customs and traditions, while having fun doing a hands-on activity. We planned to have pre-event activity at city library to show case some of the DIY project. At our events, we provide all the necessary materials and guidance to complete the DIY project, regardless of experience level. We also planned to have flyer to each student through ISD channel.

Our goal is to promote cross-cultural understanding and appreciation by showcasing the sights, sounds and tastes of the many different Asian countries represented in our community. From traditional dances and music performances, to delicious food offerings and fun family activities, there is something for everyone to enjoy at our festival. This festival promises to be a memorable experience for everyone.

The objectives of the event include:

Increasing public awareness: By leveraging advertising and promotional strategies, we aim to reach a wide audience and spread the message about the event. This will involve utilizing various channels such as social media, print media, radio, and Newspaper channels.

Engaging the target audience: The event is designed to appeal to individuals from diverse backgrounds who are interested in making a positive impact on their community. It will feature engaging culture related activities, guest speakers, and entertainment to create an enjoyable experience for all attendees.

Building partnerships: Through the event, we aim to establish strong relationships with local businesses, organizations, and community leaders. These partnerships will not only help promote the event but also create a network of support for future initiatives.

Overall, our objective is to create a memorable and impactful community event that promotes the charity's mission, engages the target audience, and ultimately raises the necessary funds to support their initiatives.

Specific Marketing Plans and Budget

Provide a detailed marketing plan and budget for the event(s). Plan should also include promotional channels (print ads including publication names, social media, radio, posters, flyers, yard signs, etc.).

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4. We planned to print out 30K-40K flyers for School district to each kid in the school.
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6. Yard sign, banner and light pose flags will be considered by following City's rule.
7. Summary of what we have planned

Item Estimate Cost Notes

Online Marketing (Website and Social Media Setup) \$30/hour, 120 hours= \$3600 This includes pre-events activities online promotion

Flyer Print (5x7) \$0.25/Each, 30K=\$7500 We planned to send flyer to ISDs, Local Business, Churches, Communities.

Flyer Distribution \$750 Transportation and delivery cost

Poster \$2.00/Each, 500=\$1000 Window posters

Poster Distribution \$1250 Transportation and delivery cost

Banner Print \$100/each, 20 =\$2000

Promotional flags in McKinney Downtown area \$5.00/each, 200=\$1000

Banner and Flags installation \$750

Newspaper and Radio Ad \$1250

Social Media promotion Facebook/Instagram:\$150/Day

45days=\$6750
Asian supermarkets in DFW area promotion \$2500 Printing, award, admin
Pre-Event Speech contest \$2500 Location, award, admin
Pre-event Scavenger hunt \$2550 Printing, award, admin

Attach marketing plan [Marketing plan for McKinney Asian Festival 2024.docx](#)

Total Promotional Budget 33500

What percentage of the total marketing budget does the grant represent? 35

Marketing lessons learned from past (what worked and what did not). Two of our event committee members have been working in Plano Asian Festival and Plano International Festival for 17 years. Three of our committee members have been working with Chinese Spring Festival concert for three years. Our lessons are we need start early, plan early, timeline for each pre-event activities to make this event a memories and something they are looking forward to. Reach out to as much as possible the residence, businesses, HOA. To the vendors and sponsorships, we have to keep our promises. We will help them to market their brand.

How will you measure success of your event(s) and marketing campaign? (attendance, website hits, social media indicators, etc.) Success for the McKinney Asian Festival is measured by the impact it has on the community. Attendance is a major factor in gauging the event's success, along with creativity and visitor engagement throughout the event. We will also analyze the effectiveness of the sponsorship program, as well as social media activity before, during, and after the event. Our team will be gathering feedback from sponsors, vendors, performers, and attendees throughout the planning process to ensure continuous improvement. It is our commitment to making the festival an annual success and a cultural staple in the community.

Please include examples of past marketing efforts (screen shots of ads, posters, social posts, radio text, etc.) We have created our website www.mckinneyasianfestival.org. We also designed and print out flyers. More social media work is under construction, We will provide the detail during our presentation.

Additional details related to marketing efforts. We are planning to have pre-events photograph contest "your vision of McKinney". "McKinney downtown Scavenger hunt", Speech contest topic either related to McKinney or Asian American in Texas.

Budget [Marketing plan for McKinney Asian Festival 2024_1.docx](#)

What percentage of Project / Promotional / Community Event funding will be provided by the applicant?	25
Are matching funds available?	No
What dollar amount and percentage of Promotional / Community Event funding will be provided by other sources such as sponsorship, registration fees, individual or corporate donations, etc.?	
Sponsorship Revenue	5500
Registration Fees	2250
Donations	3500
Other (raffle, auction, etc.)	0
Net Revenue	unknown
Metrics to Evaluate Success: Outline the metrics that will be used to evaluate success of the proposed Promotional / Community Event. If funding is awarded, a final report will be required summarizing success in achieving objectives outlined for the event.	We are using network solutions for online click analysis weekly. We will use facebook marketing to push out ad to 50 miles radius of McKinney. A daily report will be generated for us. We will also create a QR code for early online registration for us to predict the attendees. A post survey will be done for google reviews. During the event, we will constantly getting traffic report from volunteers. Activities are also have guests counts in order for future events. We hope to have this event become a continue annual events where people look forward to.
Financial Goals of Promotional / Community Event	
Gross Revenue	45000
Projected Expenses	38000
Net Revenue	7000
Other Funding Sources	We are seeking funding from local corporation including HEB, TI, Capital One, Chase, Toyota, AA. Medium corporation like Local banks, Real Estate company, Doctor offices, Attorney office. Local chamber of commerce. Asian organization. Personal donations. We are trying our best to get enough funding for a

success event.

Financial Status of Applying Organization

- Provide an overview of the organization's financial status including the projected impact of the event(s) on the organization's mission and goals
- Please attach your budget for the current year and audited financial statements for the preceding two years. If audited financials are not available, please indicate why and attach a copy of the 990 filed with the IRS.

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Financial Statements	grant_financialStatement.pdf
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IRS Determination Letter (if applicable)	tws_501C3_aproval_3.pdf
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Presentation to MCDC Board of Directors

Completed applications that are eligible for consideration by MCDC will be presented to the board according to the schedule on the [Grants page](#) of this website. Presentations will be limited to five (5) minutes followed by time for Board questions. **Please be prepared to provide the information outlined below in your presentation:**

- Summary of organization and goals
- Summary of event(s) to include dates, location, ticket prices, target audience, how your event will showcase McKinney, estimated attendance from within and outside of McKinney (and past attendance, if applicable), event features / activities, how event supports your organization's mission, and non-profit beneficiary, if applicable.
- Specific marketing plans for event(s) including promotional channels to be utilized (print, radio, social media, posters, etc.) and budget for each. Please share the percentage of the total marketing budget that this grant application represents.

Acknowledgements

If funding is approved by the MCDC board of directors, applicant will assure:

- An application is considered complete when it is submitted on time and when it contains all information in this application.
- The Promotional / Community Event for which financial assistance is sought will be administered by or under the supervision of the applying organization;
- All funds awarded will be used exclusively for advertising, marketing and promotion of the Promotional / Community event described in this application.
- MCDC will be recognized in all marketing, advertising, outreach and public relations as a funder of the Promotional / Community Event. A logo will be provided by MCDC for inclusion on all advertising, marketing and promotional materials. Specifics for audio messaging will be agreed upon by applicant and MCDC and included in an executed performance agreement.
- The organization's officials who have signed the application are authorized by the organization to submit the application.
- Applicant will comply with the MCDC Grant Guidelines in executing the Promotional / Community Event for which funds were received.
- Applicant gives permission for the use of Board presentation images and other published event images on MCDC and City of McKinney website and social media content and print/digital publications.
- Applicant will provide a final report of the Promotional/Community Event(s) no later than 30 days following the completion of the Promotional/Community Event(s). Applicant may choose to use the online form for Final Report found [here](#) or email Final Report to info@mckinneycdc.org. If emailed, Final Report may be in any format. All Final Reports should include: narrative report on the event(s), goals and objectives achieved based on performance metrics outlined in the application, financial data (budget vs. actual expenses and revenues along with explanation for variances, amount donated to charity (if applicable), samples of marketing efforts (images of printed materials and ads, screenshots of website and online promotions), and photos and/or video of the event(s).
- Grant funding is provided on a reimbursement basis subsequent to submission of a reimbursement request, with copies of invoices and paid receipts for qualified expenses. Up to 20% of the grant awarded may be withheld until the **final report on the Promotional/Community Event is provided to MCDC.**

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Applicant Electronic
Signature

Selecting this option indicates your agreement with the above statement.

Chief Executive Officer Jennie Shen

Date	11/14/2023
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Representative Completing Application	Jennie Shen
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Date	11/14/2023
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Notes

- *Incomplete applications or those received after the deadline will not be considered.*
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 - *Final payment of funding awarded will be made upon receipt of final report.*
 - *Please use the [Final Report](#) to report your results. A [PDF version](#) is also available.*
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Marketing plan for McKinney Asian Festival 2024

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

for Tax-Exempt Organization not Required to File Form 990 or 990-EZ

2022

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2022 Calendar year, or tax year beginning 2022-01-01 and ending 2022-12-31

B Check if available

- Terminated for Business
- Gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less

C Name of Organization: TEXAS WOMEN SOCIETY

PO Box 250128, Plano, TX,
US, 75025

D Employee Identification

Number 88-3219610

E Website:

www.texasws.org

F Name of Principal Officer: Jennie Shen

PO Box 250128, Plano, TX,
US, 75025

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice: We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws.

The organization is not required to provide information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. The rules governing the confidentiality of the Form 990-N is covered in code section 6104.

The time needed to complete and file this form and related schedules will vary depending on the individual circumstances. The estimated average times is 15 minutes.

Note: This image is provided for your records only. Do Not mail this page to the IRS. The IRS will not accept this filing via paper. You must file your Form 990-N (e-Postcard) electronically.

Texas Women Society

Texas Women Society ● PO Box 250125 ● Plano, TX 75025

www.texasws.org

Financial Statement: This is 2nd year of establish of organization and 1st McKinney Asian Festival event. We don't have financial statement from previous year on record.

Regards,

Jennie Shen

President

Texas Women Society



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

TEXAS WOMEN SOCIETY
PO BOX 250128
PLANO, TX 75025

Date:
01/25/2023
Employer ID number:
88-3219610
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:
June 07, 2022
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053419001743

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

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Texas Women Society</div>		
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above		
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.		4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____ Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ Non profit organization		
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">PO Box 250128</div>		Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Plano, TX 75025</div>		Southwestern National Bank 500 N. Central Expressway Richardson, TX 75080
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
or									
Employer identification number									
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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶ 11/8/2023
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

What is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note: ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or “doing business as” (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation.** Enter the entity’s name as shown on the entity’s tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a “disregarded entity.” See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner’s name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner’s name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity’s name on line 2, “Business name/disregarded entity name.” If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box on line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3.

IF the entity/person on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation
• Individual • Sole proprietorship, or • Single-member limited liability company (LLC) owned by an individual and disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.	Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC
• LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, or • LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner but the owner is another LLC that is not disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification. (P= Partnership; C= C corporation; or S= S corporation)
• Partnership	Partnership
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys’ fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5—A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8—A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11—A financial institution
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G—A real estate investment trust

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K—A broker

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, write NEW at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/Businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or SS-4 mailed to you within 10 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983.

You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983.

You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions.

You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

*Note: The grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Visit www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.