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IMPACT SAN ANTONIO TO BEGIN ACCEPTING GRANT APPLICATIONS ON MARCH 1

Also Accepting New Members through September 30

SAN ANTONIO – Impact San Antonio awards at least one \$100,000 project grant to a single non-profit organization once a year, and will begin accepting grant applications from non-profits that serve the Bexar County region on March 1 in five focus areas: arts & culture, education, family, health/wellness, and environment/recreation/historic preservation. Founded in 2004, Impact San Antonio has now donated more than \$546,000 to area non-profits since 2005.

This year, the grant application will be available online at <http://impactsanantonio.org/grants/> beginning March 1; the deadline for grant applications to be submitted is May 31, 2012.

This will be the eighth year project grants will be awarded to a San Antonio non-profit agency by Impact San Antonio, a “giving circle” comprised of individual women who each contribute \$1,000 annually and combine their donations into at least one substantial gift per year.

Separate committees made of Impact San Antonio members review and evaluate the grant applications to select finalists, using a due diligence process that includes site visits.

At the Grant Award Night on October 24, 2012, Impact San Antonio members will listen to presentations by the finalists and vote by individual ballot. The winning grant recipient(s) will be selected by majority vote. At least one \$100,000 project grant is bestowed that night immediately following the vote. Information about previous grant recipients is available on Impact SA’s [Local Impact](#) website page.

Please note the differences from previous years:

- the Environment grant category has been expanded to Environment/Recreation/Historic Preservation
- the grant application will be available online on March 1
- grant applications must be submitted online; the grant application deadline has been moved up to Thursday, May 31, 2012
- If Impact San Antonio collects more than \$100,000 in membership donations, the additional money collected past the initial \$100,000 will go as a project grant to the finalist that comes in second at Grant Award Night.

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Two free applicant training workshops will be held at Texas Public Radio, 8401 Datapoint Drive, Suite 800 on March 13th from 2 – 4 p.m., and March 21st from 6 – 8 p.m. Seating is limited and advance reservations are requested via email to Michelle Price at price.michelle@hotmail.com. Attendance is not required to submit an application.

“This year our goal is to reach 200 members so we can give even more money to the deserving non-profits that serve our community,” says Ann Parker, Board President, Impact San Antonio. “We are looking for more women who want to make a difference in people’s lives, and encourage them to visit our website for more information on how to join.” The deadline to join Impact San Antonio for 2012 is September 30, 2012.

For more information on how to join Impact San Antonio or the grant process, please visit www.impactsanantonio.org or call Impact SA President Ann Parker at 210-829-5662.