**San Joaquin Audubon 2023-2024 Request for Proposals to**

**Promote Environmental Education and Citizen Science**

To preserve birds and ecosystems for future generations in San Joaquin County, we must be willing to work toward a better future. That is why San Joaquin Audubon Society (SJAS) provides grant funds for organizations working to conserve our local environment.  We encourage groups to apply that are interested in birding, conservation, restoration, and environmental literacy. Grants are funded for projects located within San Joaquin County. This year, San Joaquin Audubon will prioritize Title 1 schools. These grants are made possible by the generous support of the Webster Foundation.

Grant Submission Period **September 1- November 30, 2023**

Grant funding cannot exceed $1500.00 per applicant.

**Proposal must include the following information**

The name of the organization that will receive funding, and your name, email, and telephone number.

Amount requested.

Project Description

Briefly describe the nature and scope of the project. Please include:

* What environmental education is addressed by this project and who will benefit? Please include the grade level(s) or ages, demographics, and number of participants.
* What are the objectives? How exactly will the project and/or materials contribute to San Joaquin Audubon’s goals: birding, conservation, restoration, and environmental literacy?
* Budget: Please include a brief explanation of how the funds will be used. Examples include: bus expenses to go on an environmental field trip; binoculars for science camps; materials for building bird boxes and a field trip fund to set up the boxes.
* List the start and end date of your project or state ‘ongoing’ for projects that continue.

Funded projects must provide a brief follow-up report that explains how the objectives mentioned in the description were met and photographs that document the project. Please submit your report by email no later than May 15, 2024. Projects do not have to be completed by this date, but the report must indicate progress.

San Joaquin Audubon may want to promote your grant-funded project and release information to various media sources. Also, if you’d be interested in giving a presentation to our organization about your grant project, please let us know!

Email your application to:

 San Joaquin Audubon Education Committee

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