



***“The Paradise Chocolate Fest is dedicated to benefit non-profit youth organizations
In our unique and charming community through the celebration of chocolate.”***

CRITERIA FOR QUALIFICATION OF VOLUNTEER EQUITY DISTRIBUTABLE FUNDS

- **Volunteer Equity Program** – Over 100 people in the Paradise community will volunteer for the Fest. Distributable funds will be allocated to qualified youth organizations based on the number of hours contributed by their volunteers. Funds will be multiplied by the calculated hourly rate for the Fest. The hourly rate attributed to each volunteer will be determined by dividing the net Distributable Funds by the total number of qualified volunteer hours.
- **Volunteer** – Any member of the general public who donates his or her time at one of the following events: Chocolate Thunder, Queen Coronation Dinner, Evening of Chocolate & Wine, or the Fest Day. Prospective volunteers must submit a completed application by March 15, 2010, designating the non-profit youth organization that their volunteer hours are in support of. Those supporting queen candidates are not considered “volunteers” for the purpose of fund allocation under the Volunteer Equity Program. Youth volunteers must be 14-18 years of age, under the supervision of a qualified adult at all times, and volunteer application must include Release signed by parent or guardian.
- **Volunteer Positions** - Needs will be determined by the Chocolate Fest committee, and volunteer positions will be filled proportionately, in respect to all qualified participating youth organizations. All qualified volunteers will be contacted by April 1, 2010. Volunteers must attend mandatory orientation on April 14, 1:00-2:00 pm or April 14, 7:00-8:00 pm in order to participate as a volunteer at the Fest.

The Board of Directors has adopted the following criteria for use in selecting qualified charities. Charities submitting applications for consideration should be prepared to demonstrate how they meet the following criteria:

Nature of Charity – The charity shall be directly or indirectly involved with the educational, enrichment or recreational health and well-being of children, under the age of 18. If 18 years of age, members must be enrolled in high school. “Any group organized and recognized by the State of California and the Internal Revenue Service as a tax exempt non-profit organization that, as one of its identifiable missions, serves youth on the Paradise Ridge in some capacity.”

Location of the Charity – The principal location of the charity and its activities shall be on the Paradise Ridge, CA

Funding Requests –

- Must submit a copy of 501(c) certificate.
- Must submit a completed Application For Support through the Paradise Chocolate Fest Volunteer Equity Program.
- Applications must be submitted by March 15, 2010 in order to be considered for funding.



**APPLICATION FOR SUPPORT
THROUGH CHOCOLATE FEST VOLUNTEER EQUITY PROGRAM**

**Applications must be received by March 15th to be considered for distribution of funds
through proceeds raised by the 2010 Paradise Chocolate Fest**

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name:

Address:

Non-Profit Tax Exempt #:

Telephone Number:

Fax Number:

Email Address:

Website Address (if applicable):

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Contact Person:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

CHOCOLATE FEST VOLUNTEER EQUITY PROGRAM

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please provide a brief narrative of how organization serves youth on the Paradise Ridge.

Form completed by: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Date Received: _____

**Please Send Completed Application To –
Paradise Chocolate Fest, Inc. • P.O. Box 2648 • Paradise, CA 95967
530/313-7908 • info@chocolatefest.us • www.chocolatefest.us**