



# Frank Nigro Columbian Foundation

Supporting People with Intellectual Disabilities, Inc.

DATE: January 26, 2020

TO: District Deputies, Grand Knights, and Financial Secretaries

SUBJECT: MARCH 15 POSTMARK Deadline for \$10,000 GRANT APPLICATION

Brother Knights,

For the seventh year, the Frank Nigro Columbian Foundation Supporting People with Intellectual Disabilities, Inc. is continuing to award \$10,000 grants. At the January 3, 2020 Board of Directors meeting, the board authorized up to \$40,000 in grants to be announced and presented at the California State Convention in May 2020. The grant application forms, and information submissions must be **postmarked by March 15, 2020**.

This is a **\$10,000 BONUS PROGRAM** for councils who are already having fund raising drives to support their selected organization or special project for assisting people with intellectual disabilities. While there is an emphasis for October fund drives, the fund-raising events can be held year around and must be reported to be eligible to participate in the **\$10,000** grant award program. However, the deadline for submission of the application form is that it must be **postmarked by MARCH 15, 2020**.

Typically, the grant requests are for special projects, events, equipment, computers, software, etc. that are beyond the fundraising capabilities of the council. This can be a \$10,000 bonus to existing fundraising. Councils are urged to work with their local beneficiary in preparing the application form and accompanying material.

The Grant Applications committee has made the requirements very simple as explained in the instructions Form 100. Simply include the completed signed application form 101 and attachments and a copy of the IRS letter of 501c3 determination letter and submit.

I strongly urge that the submission be mailed using registered mail. This provides proof of meeting the **March 15, 2020** deadline, enables tracking of progress on USPS website, and provides a signed return receipt of delivery for proof that the submission was received by the Grant Award Committee.

Also included with this letter as attachments are copies of the Grant Instructions Form 100 and the Grant Application Form 101 for your use. They are also on the website.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (562) 429-5430, e-mail address [m2sjm@earthlink.net](mailto:m2sjm@earthlink.net), or 3686 Conquista Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90808-2808.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael S. Jelle".

Attachment: Application Form/Instruction