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Les Dames d'Escoffier San Antonio Chapter Aspirations Grant Program

Mission Statement

Welcoming Women Entrepreneurs in South Texas and the Texas Hill Country to the field of culinary professionalism through financial grants and collaborative mentorship.

Purpose

The purpose of the Aspirations Grant Program is to award a grant(s) (amount to be determined) each year to empower and further business enhancement or culinary innovation to a non LDEI member woman resident in the San Antonio, the Texas Hill Country, or South Texas community.

Eligibility and Requirements

- Grant Eligibility – Grant recipients must meet the following criteria: Must be a non LDEI member woman in the areas of food, beverage, agriculture, hospitality or arts of the table who resides in San Antonio, the Texas Hill Country or South Texas
- Must demonstrate how the grant will be used for culinary development or innovation in her respective field
- Must demonstrate community giveback and/or support the initiative will have on the community
- Must provide three (3) written reference letters as to why the individual should receive an Aspirations Grant and detail the reference's relationship with the individual
- Must represent fiduciary responsibility and transparency
- Must follow the reporting and accountability guidelines
- Must attend the Aspirations Grant Award ceremony on date appointed by LDEI SA Chapter
- Must agree to participate in LDEI SA Chapter public relations initiatives to promote the Aspirations Grant Program, if asked
- Must agree to presence on the LDEI SA as well as the LDEI web sites and mutual promotion of the Aspirations Grant Program, if asked
- Must agree to submit a written report at both six months and twelve months of grant receipt, detailing how the grant was used to enhance business or project and community benefit.

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Les Dames d'Escoffier is an international organization of women leaders in the fields of culinary arts, hospitality, agriculture, viticulture and related areas. The San Antonio Chapter, with more than 70 members, is celebrating over two decades of community philanthropy focused on scholarships and grants for women, community garden funding, nutrition education for children and families and culinary excellence in the Bexar County area.

Les Dames d'Escoffier San Antonio Chapter is a 501 (c)3 organization.