



Om Gallery Education Fund

About Om Gallery

Om Gallery works with family industries in Asia and around the world. We promote fair trade, condemn demonic working conditions and enjoy helping Cooperative Cottage Industries in developing countries. Every article of Om Gallery merchandise is handmade by one of our many families of tailors, cobblers, lantern makers and lamp makers. We enjoy many meals with our partners, many laughs and the satisfaction of knowing that everything we make is handmade with an agreed price that is profitable to our partners.

We have two retail locations, one in downtown Santa Cruz and the other in Capitola Village; we also have an online store at www.omgallery.com and we wholesale our products to stores nationwide. We have been a local Santa Cruz business for 10 years.

Why we setup OMGEF and what does it mean for us?

The Om Gallery Education Fund was setup in response to the recent budget cuts that we have seen effect our local and national schools. We believe education to be the foundation of our society and at the cornerstone of our well being as humans. We felt that we were presented with a unique opportunity to give back and improve our community and thus developed the OMGEF.

This is a new initiative for us, but one that we hope will grow and prosper.

For every transaction we make at one of our two retail locations, \$1 is added to the OMGEF. With these funds we are able to assist Santa Cruz County teachers with monthly grants for supplies and scholarship opportunities for their students.

What are the requirements?

To be a teacher, teaching in one of the Santa Cruz County School districts. You must fill out the application below requesting the grant and explain how you will use the funds

How much are the individual grants?

This will be determined on an individual basis, due to the specific needs of the recipient, with a range of \$200-\$600 per grant.

How many teachers are recognized?

Two to three teachers will be announced on the 1st of each month, a check will be sent to those teachers by the 15th of the month. The first grant recipient(s) will be announced August 15, 2010.

When can I expect to hear back if I will be awarded the OMGEF grant?

All inquiries will be acknowledged within 5-10 business days. If you are a recipient for that month, it will be announced on the first and a check will be mailed by the 15th.



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