

## East Portland Neighborhood Office Community Activities Fund Request Form

Use this form or your own document with the same information. **Do not exceed one page.** You may submit your request in any language.

Date of Request 2/7/2017 .

Contact Name, phone, and email [DELETED FOR PRIVACY]

Group/Organization name (may leave blank, it not relevant) Instituto de Cultura y Arte In Xochitl In Cuicatl (all volunteers)

Additional members of your team and partners Member of the organization and Mexica Tiahui Aztec dancers

Activity or project title Monthly meeting dinner .

Activity or project location East Portland Neighborhood office .

Expected date(s) of activity or project Once a month (fourth Tuesday of the month)

Expected number of participants 14+ .

Amount requested \$500 .

**Briefly describe your project or activity. In a few sentences tell us what you plan to do. Be sure to include how your activity or project will increase the number and diversity of people involved in their communities and/or strengthen community capacity and/or increase community impact on public decisions.**

Our organization, Instituto de Cultura y Arte In Xochitl In Cuicatl in conjunction with Mexica Tiahui Aztec dance group, have worked in Portland community for over 20 years. Both groups were formed with a mission to promote, conserve, and teach the Mexica culture through leadership activities, art, dance, and traditional ceremonies. To this end, we have volunteered countless hours to host numerous events, workshops, and ceremonies in the Portland Metro area, including East Portland. To discuss, plan, and organize these events, we have meetings once a month. All members and board officers work during the day, have family obligations, and volunteer their time to the organization. And this year, we have extended invitations to several members to increase participation in our board meetings and thereby strengthen our organizational capacity. We hope that providing food will make it easier for them to attend and actively participate in them. This will increase our board's leadership and thereby increase our organizational capacity.

**Describe use of requested funds \$500 .**

We will be using the funds to pay for as many meetings as possible, approximately 5+ dinners **for approximately 14 people per dinner**, during this year until end of March 2018.

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