

## Bags of Change 2013 Grant Information

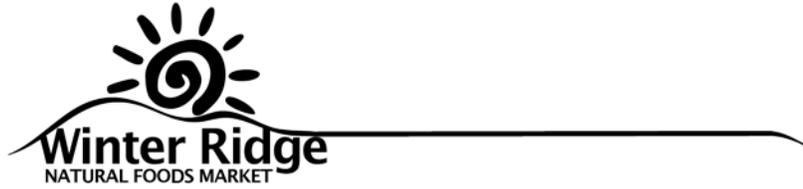
***Bags of Change*** is a program by which Winter Ridge Natural Foods Market supports our community. Here's how it works: Customers receive a 10-cent refund every time they bring in and reuse a shopping bag. Cashiers ask these customers if they'd like to donate their refund to ***Bags of Change***. Each quarter, the donations from the program are used to award a grant to a different organization's local project. To date, quarterly proceeds have ranged from \$250 to \$500.

This Winter Ridge grant program is designed to help fund the projects of local, non-sectarian, and non-discriminatory non-profits and community organizations. Preference is given to projects that address local food security issues or align with the mission of Winter Ridge Natural Foods Market:

*We nourish and educate our community and strive to be Sandpoint's natural food store of choice. We offer excellent products and customer service while we care for our employees, our community and the environment.*

### Application Guidelines:

- To apply, please complete and submit a ***Bags of Change*** Grant Application.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Funding is available to schools, nonprofits, clubs or other organizations. Payments will not be made to individuals.
- Funding is available only for projects that take place in and benefit citizens of Bonner County, Idaho.
- A committee of Winter Ridge staff members determines awards. All other criteria being equal, preference is given to organizations not recently funded by ***Bags of Change***.
- Grant award amounts vary and are made in the amount of the ***Bags of Change*** donations collected during the previous quarter.
- Applications are reviewed and grants made on a quarterly basis. Quarters begin January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. Grantees are chosen and award announcements made just before the beginning of each quarter.
- Bags of Change donations will be collected for the grantee in the quarter immediately following their award announcement.
- Grantees will receive their grant money within 30 days after the end of the quarter in which Bags of Change donations were collected for them.
- Winter Ridge staff, their immediate families and their privately owned businesses are not eligible for grants.
- Organizations in which Winter Ridge employees are members or otherwise participate are eligible for grants. However, if his or her affiliated organization applies, the staff member may not participate in award selection.
- Applications are accepted year round and will remain in the applicant pool for one year.



# Bags of Change 2013 Grant Application

Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Position within the organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website URL: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-profit tax ID number (if appropriate): \_\_\_\_\_

What is your organization's mission statement?

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Briefly explain how your organization's mission, activities and proposed project are in harmony with the mission of Winter Ridge.

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Does the organization have a preference for an award during a certain quarter? Which quarter and why?

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