

FUNDING APPLICATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organization Information

Legal Name: Guadalupe Regional Medical Foundation		Federal Tax ID#: 74-2649777		501(c)(3) Public Charity 509 (a)(1)	
Address: 1215 E COURT ST		City: Seguin		State: Texas	
				Zip Code: 78155	
Website: grmedfoundation.org		Fax: (830) 401-7209		United Way Funded: Yes	

Fiscal Year:
October 01 to September 30

Head Of Organization

Name: Elaine Bennett		Title: CEO	
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Previous Najim Funding

Year	Funding \$
2018	\$40,000
2019	\$45,000
Total	\$85,000

Has the organization applied to the Najim Family Foundation in the past and been declined?
No

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:
\$50,000	\$56,143	\$298,300

Mission Statement:
Guadalupe Regional Medical Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that seeks to advance the mission of Guadalupe Regional Medical Center through the development of philanthropic resources and community awareness.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Program / Project Title:
To support and enhance neonatal, newborn, and child safety in the Emergency Room of GRMC.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Start Date	End Date
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05/01/2020

09/30/2020

Harvey E. Najim Family Foundation Priorities:

Medical Needs

Program / Project Description:

The Guadalupe Regional Medical Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit entity created to help fund Guadalupe Regional Medical Center (GRMC). GRMC is a 153-bed not-for-profit community hospital, jointly owned by the City of Seguin and Guadalupe County.

Visionary volunteer leaders established the Guadalupe Regional Medical Foundation, also located in Seguin, in 1999, to raise funds to improve patient services at formerly, Guadalupe Valley Hospital, currently Guadalupe Regional Medical Center. It was built in 1965 as a 64-four bed community hospital; it is the only hospital in Texas jointly owned by a city and county. The hospital has grown to become an acute care regional medical center that offers comprehensive healthcare to approximately 150,000 residents of Guadalupe County and seven surrounding counties. All gifts fund enhancements of patient care and services and upgrades to equipment and technology. Unlike most community hospitals that receive a portion of their operating revenues from local taxpayers through a hospital district tax, GRMC is funded primarily through patient revenues and charitable contributions. The hospital employs over 800 full-time and part-time staff who live throughout the region served and has over 150 board-certified physicians on its medical staff. Over 100 volunteers serve the hospital and its patients.

Despite being an independent organization operating without the backdrop of a corporate network or local taxes, the hospital has grown and prospered. GRMC is recognized at a national level for a variety of safety, quality, and service awards. The Leapfrog Group, a national watchdog organization of healthcare employers, announced this Spring that GRMC had earned an "A" for the Spring 2020 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade. The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses up to 28 national performance measures to produce a single letter grade representing a hospital's overall performance in keeping patients safe from preventable harm and medical errors. GRMC has been deemed to be in the top 4% of the nation's hospitals by the Women's Choice Award, earning the distinction of one of America's best hospitals. Safety and quality are the key indicators that prompted an "A" rating based on the comprehensive criteria of this award. Healthgrades also recognized GRMC with the 2019 Outstanding Patient Experience Award. This distinction recognizes GRMC as being among the top 10% of hospitals nationwide for patient experience, according to Healthgrades, the leading online resource for information about physicians and hospitals. In 2019, Modern Healthcare awarded GRMC one of the 100 best healthcare employers in the nation.

The hospital serves a full range of patients, including delivering approximately 1,000 newborns in its Birthing Center each year and caring for an average of 100 patients in its Emergency Department (ED) every day. The population served in the ED ranges from neonate to the elderly, treating a wide range of acute illnesses, chronic disease, injuries, and traumas.

Approximately 50% of all GRMC patients are admitted to the hospital for extended care or surgery through the ER. The department was substantially remodeled in 2010 to include 25 private exam rooms and is staffed around the clock by board-certified ED physicians and highly skilled physician extenders and nurses.

The ED is currently using a dated ultrasound machine with a broken transducer. A replacement machine is on the capital budget, but funds have not been allocated for its replacement. The broken transducer means that the ED physicians have limited ability to perform rapid ultrasound exams, the visual resolution is poor, it is no longer able to provide printed images, and as a result, the machine is rarely used.

The purpose of the ultrasound machine is to obtain images of the patient's organs, surrounding tissues, and venous structures. While the imaging department has a high-definition ultrasound machine, it is essential to maintain a portable smaller unit within the ED for rapid diagnosis and treatment.

One specific use for the Sonosite Ultrasound machine is to assist ED nurses in obtaining vascular access. If the patient is unstable or has difficulty obtaining vascular access, the ultrasound machine can locate the best access point for IV access and minimize the pain and discomfort of multiple sticks. Ultrasound-guided access can also prevent more intense measures, such as intraosseous (in bone) IV access. The goal is to provide the most appropriate, effective, safest, and least stressful and invasive care to the patient in a timely manner. It is also a safer alternative to CT or x-ray, as there is no radiation associated with ultrasound examination.

The Sonosite is especially helpful for its role in helping diagnose pediatric patients. Approximately 20% of the ED ultrasounds performed last year were for patients under 18 in urgent and emergent medical situations. One-third of all ED-based ultrasound exams involved pregnancy or prenatal care, thereby impacting the health of at least 300 additional neonates.

GRMC has an urgent need to replace a dated Ultrasound machine to expedite the diagnosis and treatment of emergent conditions. Our board-certified emergency physicians and extenders have the training and knowledge of performing these exams.

This new piece of equipment is essential to something as simple as starting an IV with minimal attempts to something as complex as diagnosing a life-threatening event for patients of all ages.

GRMC is very thankful to the Najim Family Foundation for its support in purchasing four CoreMetrix fetal monitors for our Birthing Center last year. This year, we ask for your consideration for a \$50,000 grant to purchase the aforementioned Sonosite ultrasound machine.

Evaluation Plan:

The main objective of the new Sonosite Ultrasound machine is to provide expedited bedside visualization via ultrasound for emergencies in the pediatric, obstetric, and trauma patient population. The pediatric patient would receive essential care, as the new ultrasound would allow the ER provider to perform an ultrasound without the delay of calling in technicians after hours. The effectiveness of this purchase will be apparent as the ER providers become more proficient and experienced in pediatric ultrasound due to extensive tutorials, technology enhancements, and image visualization. In addition to improved decision-making, the ultrasound can assist with procedures such as difficult intravenous (IV) insertions. The success of quick IV access during crises is imperative for pediatric patients. Overall, this new ultrasound can improve patient care and expedite proper treatment by eliminating delays when performed at the bedside by the ER physician.

Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

As with all patient care equipment at the hospital, a preventative maintenance contract would be purchased by the hospital to ensure appropriate repair and back up in case of machine malfunction. The hospital employs a full time Bio Med Department who would also be available to maximize the sustainability of the machine.

Children Impacted:

How many unduplicated children will the TOTAL PROJECT INITIATIVE impact?	How many unduplicated children will NFF REQUESTED FUNDS impact?
1,050	175

Please provide the percentage of each group below that will be served by the project in which funds are being requested. Do not leave any area blank. If that specific group will not be served, include zero. The percentage should total 100%.

A. Population Served Age		B. Population Served Ethnicity	
Infants (0-5)	21%	African American	8%
Children (6-13)	34%	Asian American	2%
Young Adults (14-18)	45%	Caucasian	36%

TOTAL:	100%	Hispanic/Latino	54%
		Native American	0%
		Other and Define	0%
		TOTAL:	100%

City Council District for Which Children are Being Served:

District1

Line item Budget:

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Funds Allocation
SonoSite X-Porte	\$56,143	\$50,000
TOTAL:	\$56,143	\$50,000

OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES

For Project being Requested: Funding sources and amounts, pending and committed.

PROJECT - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Guadalupe Regional Medical Center	\$50,000
TOTAL:	\$50,000

PROJECT - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Guadalupe Regional Medical Center	\$6,143
TOTAL:	\$6,143

Other funding sources and amounts, pending and committed not specific to this request.

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Rotary Club of Seguin	\$4,500
Baptist Health Foundation	\$140,000
Bras for a Cause Cancer Fund	\$35,000
Alamo Group, Inc.	\$20,000
TOTAL:	\$199,500

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Cargill	\$5,000
Vaughn Construction	\$5,500
Guadalupe County United Way Mini Grant	\$500
Guadalupe Valley Electric Coop	\$10,000
Dr. & Mrs. James C. Lee	\$5,000
Officer of the Governor	\$50,000
Najim Family Foundation	\$45,000
Vaughn Construction Foundation	\$5,500
Mr. and Mrs. Lambert H. Hollub	\$100,000

Guadalupe County United Way	\$6,500
TOTAL:	\$233,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

What percentage of your board contributes financially to the organization?
100%

If Board giving is not at 100%, please explain why?

How are board members expected to participate in your organization?

Guadalupe Regional Medical Foundation is governed by a distinguished group of professional, business, and civic leaders who volunteer their time and energy to serve on the Board of Directors.

- The purpose of the Board of Directors is to:
1. Set fundraising policies.
 2. Establish, implement and evaluate short and long-range strategies to support the Foundation's mission and goals.
 3. Ensure that the Foundation's assets are invested prudently and wisely.

- Each member of the Board has the following duties:
1. Attend scheduled Board meetings.
 2. Advocate for the Foundation and the Hospital when talking with others.
 3. Encourage philanthropic support by promoting community involvement.
 4. Give an annual gift commensurate with personal circumstances.
 5. Assist in fundraising by:
 - a) Soliciting others for contributions.
 - b) Helping to identify, evaluate and cultivate potential major gift prospects.
 - c) Helping to plan / implement special events.
 - d) Attending events and greeting guests.
 6. Participate in committee work.
 7. Help to identify and recruit volunteers to serve in key positions.

LIST OF BOARD DIRECTORS

Name & Office Held	Corporate Affiliation
Tony Schaker (Chair)	Five Star Title Real Estate Attorney, Owner
Jo Ann Maples (Vice Chair)	Kinfolk Creations Business Owner (retired)
James C. Lee, MD (Treasurer)	Family Practice Physician (retired)
Michelle Kuempel (Secretary)	Seguin ISD Middle School Librarian
Diana Allen	First United Bank Vice President
Jim Colvin, MD	Physician (retired)
Susan Dyess	Seguin ISD teacher (retired)
Eithne Goetz	Mid Texas Symphony
Tres Hewell	Tres Hewell Mortuary Owner
Jeff Koehler	Design Associates/The Shop Business Owner
Karen McMillan	Heritage Texas Property Real Estate Agent
Ruben James Reyes	Attorney
Lauren Smith	Allstate Insurance Company, Owner
Lynda Redix	Guadalupe Valley Nursing Center, LVN

Jennifer Meservey, CPA	The Meservey Group, Owner
Signature Elaine Bennett	