

**APPLICATION: M2M Charity Bike Tour Mini-Grants for Non-profits**

**Organization Information**

**Name of Authorized Representative:** Jon C. Hinojosa  
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

**Nonprofit name:** SAY Sí

**EIN Number:** 74-2759456 **Date of Charter:** 9/12/1995

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**Nonprofit Information**

**Years actively serving San Antonio** 22 Years

**Organizations Yearly Gross Program Budget:** \$ 1,350,000

**Requested total for your Mini-Grant Project:** \$ 2,000  
(not the same as Gross above)

**Neighborhoods/Service Areas:**

SAY Sí serves students from every city council district in San Antonio, but our focus and tuition free programs remain committed to serving urban, Inner-city, youth. While SAY Sí accepts students from diverse backgrounds and different geographic areas throughout the city, priority is given to urban youth from low-income households. SAY Sí serves students from over 75 schools throughout the San Antonio community with 90% of students coming from urban, inner-city schools.

**Charitable Goals/Activities:**

**Mission:** SAY Sí is a national-award winning, year-round, long-term, multidisciplinary arts program for San Antonio youth that provides opportunities for these students to develop artistic and social skills in preparation for higher educational advancement and professional careers. **Goals include:** enhancing students' social, academic, cognitive and vocational competencies; improving students' self-esteem and identity; and enhancing students' character. SAY Sí students gain pre-professional skills and knowledge through regular, intensive, instruction and experimentation in a wide variety of artistic genres, styles, media, and techniques and through the study of art history and contemporary art. Students also receive guidance to help them prepare for college and their lives after SAY Sí through college and career programming that is embedded into our programs. **SAY Sí's programs include the following:** **VA** [Visual Arts], a comprehensive visual arts program for students in grades 9-12. Students study drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, and art history with a focus on the development of entrepreneurial and marketing skills. **WAM** [Working Artists and Mentors], a year-round Saturday program for middle school youth in visual arts, theatre and media arts/new media. **MAS** [Media Arts Studio], an innovative technology based learning program that provides a hands-on focus in filmmaking and digital design. **ALAS** [Activating Leadership, Art and Service] emphasizing leadership skills and civic engagement, our theatre program empowers youth to create work that addresses community concerns, challenges prejudices and social injustice, and celebrates diversity and difference. **ABC** [Artists Building Communities], Alumni facilitate weekly art workshops for children and youth served by inner-city public schools and health and human service organizations which have included the Battered Women's Shelter, ChildSafe and many inner city title-one public schools. **HIVE** [Home for Innovation and Video Ecology], is a new media program in which students learn digital art, interactive media art, video games, comic books/zines, 3D modeling/animation and creative coding.

### **Grant Project**

**Briefly describe a specific project or activity to which an M2M Mini-Grant would be applied.** Include specifics that distinguish your project from the ordinary. You may wish to review the Question/Answer page.

Funds would support a project for SAY Sí's ALAS Youth Theatre Program. What sets this program/project apart from others is that students create and perform original works related to their own lives and communities. Last year for Hispanic Heritage Month, students created and performed "Napako (Our Journey)," an original stage production that portrays one of the creation stories of the ancient people of Texas. The play uses multimedia-driven staging and storytelling to dive into the history, geography, and significance of San Antonio landmarks including the San Antonio River and the Blue Hole. This year's goal is to expand upon this production and include more information and history about the San Antonio missions. As part of the creation and development of the show, students will continue to work with and learn from visiting artists and community members. "Napako" will be performed in September 2016 in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month.

**Grant Budget**

Append or insert an estimated budget for the specific activity or project this grant application will fund. The Grant Budget should describe only the Mini-Project you wish to fund, not an overall program requirement. The total budget should agree with the figure you listed on page 2 of this application: [Requested total for Mini-Grant Project].

**NOTE:** Grants are considered each year based on their merits. These grants are intended for use in small projects or one activity not financed in a larger grant. Please request what you need for that activity. Our grants typically fall between \$500 and \$2500 depending entirely on the success of the Bike Tour. The goal is to support a limited activity or project for which funding is problematic.

**SAY SI ALAS Napako - Our Journey Budget****Cuentos Y Cultura HS:**

**Students will devise an original play on the Blue Hole for Latino Heritage Month**

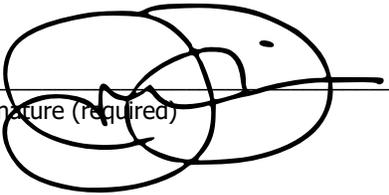
<b>Materials and Supplies [set build and lighting]</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>
<b>Costumes</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>Props</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>
<b>Visiting Artists [local performing artists]</b>	<b>\$600.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>

# APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I have included: (1) my organizations completed application form, (2) A brief description, no more than 150 words, explaining which specific activity or activities of my organization the grant will help support, and an estimated budget.

I agree that when funded project is completed, I will submit Part 2: Final Report. Deadline for Part 2 is the last day of February 2018.

Further, I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct. I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could interfere with the truthfulness and accuracy of this application.

  
Signature (required)

Artistic | Executive Director  
Title

June 27, 2016  
Date

Thank you for serving our neighborhood!

**Note: MTR Charities, Inc. really cares that all applications are considered on their merits. Please ensure that your project description and project budget explain the how and why of your specific project request. The review of your application may be delayed if additional information is required.**

**\*\* Any additional Information (below) \*\***