

STARSEED SOCIETY EIN 46-4253054
FORM 1023 APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION OF EXEMPTION
UNDER SECTION 501(c)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

PART IV – NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES

The attached Starseed Society outline provides an overview of the Starseed Society mission, structure and projects.

The document specifically references “Starseed Conferences” as a main activity of the organization. It also lists “sustainable communities” as one of Starseed Society’s work. The board and staff of Starseed Society have determined these two projects as the organization’s two main endeavors over the next two years.

The board and staff have also agreed to work with the Starseed Ambassadors over this first year of full operation to research, identify, and develop additional projects that help accomplish the Starseed Society mission, specifically in the areas of food security, sustainable communities, water conservation and purification, and free energy projects.

Following is a detailed description of the two initial projects, Starseed Conferences and “Sustainable Communities.”

STARSEED CONFERENCES

Starseed Society staff and board will collaborate with Starseed Ambassadors to develop, organize and sponsor three, one-two day conferences over the next twelve-eighteen months. Each conference will have a specific main theme from the arenas of environmental and social changes, education, housing, sustainability, food security, water conservation and purification, and energy. Starseed Society staff and board will spend approximately sixty percent of their time on the conferences.

The conference activities will include artistic presentations and interactions, speakers, and hands-on experiential learning opportunities. Each conference will either begin or end with work projects of the community in which each conference is held. Starseed Society staff and board will work with local community organizations and officials to organize and undertake these field activities.

Starseed Conferences will be funded through grants, donations, and conference registrations and sponsorships.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY PROJECT

Starseed Society staff and board have initiated a project with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation in Western North Carolina to build a sustainable, eco friendly village of one hundred units for members of the Cherokee nation. Starseed Society staff and board will spend approximately fifteen percent of their time on this project over the next two years.

This project was initially conceived by the "Eastern Band Cherokee Seed Corn Family Healing and Housing" group. Starseed Society staff and board have now joined a collaboration to undertake the project and bring it to fruition. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation leadership and members are the guiding agency in this effort. Starseed Society follows the Cherokee's lead, bringing technical expertise on the design and construction of the buildings.

Starseed Society staff and board will work with Cherokee leaders and community members in obtaining funding for the construction of the eco village, if requested and befitting.

All members of the collaboration are working to finalize the design within the next six-eight months and initiate construction by fall of 2014.

This project will serve as a model and pilot for future Starseed Society efforts to develop sustainable lifestyle for communities in need.

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PART VIII 4.a – DESCRIPTION OF FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Starseed Society will initially undertake two types of fundraising programs. Following a description of how Starseed Society will approach and accomplish these efforts.

FOUNDATION GRANT SOLITIITATIONS

Starseed Society staff and board collectively have fifty years experience in foundation grants and, therefore, have the in-house ability to research, identify and select potential grant opportunities for each Starseed Project. The staff and board will determine their capacity to pursue each grant and/or the need for outside assistance. If outside assistance is deemed necessary and appropriate, the board will formally review and approve the proposal.

ACCEPT DONATION ON THE WEBSITE

Starseed Society will establish the structure to accept donations on the Starseed Society website in the year 2015. Given the rate of change in the world of technology, it is not feasible to predict the specific system that will be used. However, the methodology will conform to strict online security and safety protocol while being a very user friendly interface.

Funds received through website donations will support both the projects and organizational operation of Starseed Society.

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PART VIII 12 – DESCRIPTION OF FOREIGN COUNTRY ACTIVITY

Starseed Society has an office in Santa Teresa, Costa Rica to support on-going projects and operations within the Central and South American region and the general operations of the organization.

The social structure of Costa Rica is fertile ground for modeling projects and programs that further the mission of Starseed Society. The existing local communities fundamentally align with the principles of food security, sustainable communities, water conservation and purification, and free energy.

Starseed Society staff and board will work with these community members and officials to establish pilot projects that will promote the existence and efforts of the organization.