

**Chabot-Las Positas Association of Retired Employees
CARE Fund Special Projects Grant Program
2025-2026 Application Form**

Application Deadline: Friday 7 November 2025

Award announcement: *Monday December 1, 2025*

Applicant Information

Name Marisa Pascal Site: ☐ Chabot ☒ LPC ☐ District Office
Campus e-mail address mpascal@laspositascollege.edu Campus phone number 925-424-1336
(or home phone if no campus phone is available)
Division or Department STEM/Geology Name of Dean/Mgr/Supervisor Paula Checchi

Project Information (Please take a moment to look at *grant guidelines* and *past winning proposals*!)

Name of project Geology Department Trim Saw Requested \$ 678.64
Who will be responsible for completion of the project? Marisa Pascal Expected completion date: 02/19/2026
Project Plan – Briefly tell us what you plan to do:

We will purchase a trim saw for the LPC geology department. A recent increase in student interest in rock identification has highlighted the need for hands-on tools that promote deeper learning and engagement. The saw will be used on both departmental specimens and student-provided rocks, supporting honors projects and classroom activities.

Outcome – What will be the result? Be brief and specific.

Our department will gain the ability to safely and efficiently cut and prepare rock samples for both instructional use and student research. This will give students improved access to hands-on tools for identifying and analyzing their own specimens, leading to increased engagement in honors projects and geology-related coursework.

Budget – Tell us what you want to buy: (Supplies, Apparatus, or Services - please see guidelines for what is possible.)

Vendor (supplier)	Item Description (Model # etc.)	Qty	Unit price	Tax	Shipping	Line Total \$
Kingsley North	6" Hi-Tech Trim Saw with Vice	1	\$ 569.00	\$ 58.32	\$ 0.00	\$ 627.32
Kingsley North	Cont Diamond Blade Sku 3-0186	1	\$ 46.55	\$ 4.77	\$ 0.00	\$ 51.32
Optional budget notes:						Budget Total: \$ 678.64

Benefits – Please briefly explain how the project will **improve service to the colleges** in your area of work responsibility.

Describe what problem the project will solve, and how long the benefits will last. Be specific.

This project addresses the growing need for hands-on tools to support student honors projects and classroom learning in geology. Acquiring a trim saw will significantly enhance both instructional and independent research opportunities by enabling safe and precise sample preparation. The benefits will be long-lasting, as the equipment will serve multiple cohorts of students over many years and support ongoing departmental outreach, educational displays, and programming.

Agreements: I agree to complete the project as described above and then provide a one-paragraph outcome report including a digital photograph or video to CARE. (Report due: May 15, 2026 or by the above completion date.)

I understand that grants will be payable to the College/District and grant purchases will become CLPCCD property.

Type your name as your signature: Marisa Pascal Date 10/28/2025

Please have your Dean/Area Manager/Supervisor "e-sign" as well (or they may email their agreement separately to shildreth@chabotcollege.edu. You will be emailed when this is received!)

I agree to provide fiscal oversight: Paula Checchi Date 11/4/2025
Dean/Mgr/Supervisor's Signature

Please complete the form, then "**Print**" and "**Save as PDF**" and **email** it as an attachment to shildreth@chabotcollege.edu
All submissions will be acknowledged promptly.

THANK YOU for your ideas to help make the Colleges and District even more successful and effective!

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