



City of Lago Vista
Charitable Contribution and Non-Profit
Funding Application

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Name of Agency/Organization: Scholastic 3D Archery (S3DA), Texas Chapter

Address: Observatory Hill

City, State & Zip: Lago Vista, TX 78645

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Project Title: Trail System Improvements - Shade Structures

Amount of Funds Requested: \$4,000

Project Status: (check one) Existing Expansion New

Briefly describe the program:

Oak Ridge Archery has partnered with Scholastic 3-D Archery (S3DA), a nonprofit organization, to introduce youth to the sport of archery. The S3DA is active in 30+ states and teaches youth not only about archery, but also life-long skills, ethical bowhunting as well as wildlife conservation practices which are integral to the development of well-rounded outdoorsmen and women. S3DA classes provide a natural progression that helps youth grow from elementary school through high school which allows them to move straight into shooting at the collegiate level, where they can earn scholarships to shoot archery. Not only are youth attracted to the S3DA, but families are as well. All of the S3DA events are family-oriented and family friendly. The S3DA continues to be one of the fastest growing archery programs for youth in the nation!

Describe the services the program provides:

The Scholastic 3-D Archery (S3DA) program is an after-school initiative for youth who want to participate in archery either recreationally or competitively and it provides that next step from 4-H, the Boy Scouts and/or Girl Scouts archery programs. Homeschoolers are also encouraged to participate in the S3DA since archery is recognized as an extracurricular activity by most homeschool programs. Our youth leagues are growing in size and practices are held 1-2 times a week plus they have the opportunity to shoot on Saturdays with their family. Several of our parents participate in archery now too so it's become a family outing! Because of our continued growth, we will be starting an adult league the first week of August. Excited to continue to build upon the family aspect.

If organization received support from the City of Lago Vista previously, provide the following information:

Year Received:	<u>2024</u>	Dollar Amount	<u>\$2,500</u>
Project Supported	<u>Trail System Improvements</u>		

Charitable Contributions and Nonprofit Funding Request Application Questionnaire

The City strongly requests that all answers be typed.

Submission of a completed questionnaire is required for application consideration.

1. What is the agency's mission?

The mission of the Scholastic Archery Association is to foster, educate and guide youth in the 3 disciplines of archery: indoor target, outdoor target and 3-D, while teaching safe, ethical bowhunting practices and wildlife conservation.

2. What are the goals of the program for which you are requesting funding?

Please see attachment

3. How will you know you met these goals by the end of the funding year?

I would order the steel kits as soon as we receive funding. We would start construction on the shade structures as soon as the kits were delivered. The dads and I are excited to work on this project. I would prioritize starting on those stations that receive the most sun so that the community can continue to enjoy the trails even during the warmer months.

4. Describe the impact of services on the community

Please see attachment

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5. If the request for funding for the proposed fiscal year is an increase from the previous fiscal year, please justify such increase:

The request is not an increase from the previous fiscal year, however, it's more than the grant that was graciously awarded last year. Thank you.

The cost of construction materials (steel for the shade structures) has increased as have all construction materials and/or hard costs. The labor is free.

6. Provide information on the overall financial position of the organization.

Include: annual budget, sources of funding (e.g., fund raisers, charitable donations)

I continue to volunteer as the Texas State Coordinator for the S3DA. Each state chapter fundraises by hosting state and national championships. We hosted 2 TX State Championships this year and \$5 of each registration goes back to the Texas Chapter (approx \$150).

The S3DA Texas State Chapter has received the following monetary donations:

\$3,500 grant from the Lago Vista Women's Club (May 2025) – grant money will go towards jerseys, youth bows to build fleet rental and specific targets needed for S3DA tournaments. (Each archery organization requires its own specific targets to adhere to their guidelines and rules.)

*We always encourage families to come take a tour of the range first so they can get a better understanding of the layout and how practices are managed. If any of the kids don't have a bow, we let them know it's not a big deal. We have a loaner fleet that our youth can use before parents commit to purchasing all of the archery equipment.



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Submitted By: _____

Signature of Executive Director (if applicable) _____

Date _____

Printed Name of Executive Director (if applicable) _____

Approval: _____

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Signature of Organization Representative _____

June 30, 2025

Date _____

David Snyder

Printed Name Organization Representative _____

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Date Received: _____ By: _____

Date Reviewed: _____ Reviewed By: _____

Submit for Board Review: Yes _____ Council Meeting Date: _____

Ineligible? Yes _____ Reason: _____

Council Decision: Approve \$ _____ Date: _____

Council Comments: _____

Finance Officer Reviewer: _____ Fund Distribution Date: _____

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2. What are the goals of the program for which you are requesting funding?

The overall goal is to continue to provide additional improvements to the trail system. We keep hearing from locals and archers alike the importance of providing shade on the upper trails since those trails are more open with less trees and have full exposure to the sun. (The lower course is much more densely wooded.) The upper trails are walked most often so building out several shade structures would enhance the trails and ensure they could be utilized throughout the entire year and provide a resting place from the elements. With the warmer weather hitting us earlier in the springtime, we recognize the need for additional shade. Specifically, the improvements would include:

1. construct up to 6 covered structures - steel with corrugated metal roofs (6x6 or 8x8, depending upon the shooting station). Please note, the lowest bid that I have received to date **for materials only** is \$550 each = \$3,300. This is a discounted rate through one of our members since their family is a distributor of prefabricated metal structures. The archery dads and myself are happy to volunteer our time to erect the structures. (We have price shopped the big box stores – Home Depot, Lowe's, Amazon, Costco and Sam's Club and Wayfair and similar products of less quality are over \$1,000+ each.);
2. bring in material such as decomposed granite to compact and level out the rocky portions of the trails, especially on the inclines. (The trucking costs are more expensive than the material itself! I haven't been able to secure trucking yet.)

4. Describe the impact of services on the community.

Trail Expansion: When we first opened in spring of 2024, we offered only the upper portion of the trail system, and since then, we have cut-in and built out an additional 12 shooting lanes on the lower trail system while maintaining the walking trails of both the upper and lower courses.

The outdoor archery range offers 2 separate trail systems now and 2 permanent practice areas for short and long-distance shots. Oak Ridge Archery is located behind the high school ball fields and is an attribute to the existing Cross Country course. These trails are used by archery participants as well as our local community for dog walking, hiking, running, and the middle school and high school Cross Country Teams. We support our community and the athletic teams that utilize the trails. I work in conjunction with the Cross Country middle school and high school coaches and the Athletic Director so there's no scheduling conflicts with ISD sports.

In a cooperative effort with the S3DA Texas State Chapter, it is our goal to continue hosting youth archery tournaments to ensure that locals or those traveling from around the state can participate as well. We are committed to providing an experience for all families to enjoy the archery range and walking trails whether as a spectator or participant. We feel strongly in our belief that extracurricular activities provide a positive influence on our youth, and that our community enhances the overall quality of life to those who enjoy being outdoors. We are blessed to live and establish a thriving business for both locals and visitors in Lago Vista!