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Mr. Terry Newland
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Dear Mr. Newland:

Thank you for your letter of inquiry about the Council's grant program.

The general topics which you describe could be considered by our Council. It would be important, however, that specific public policy issues be addressed in such programs and that provision would be made for the articulation of pro and con points of view on the issues at stake. In addition, it would be important that scholars from core disciplines of the humanities, i.e., history, philosophy, literature, languages, be centrally involved in the discussions.

Two notes of caution: since our Council is specifically based in and oriented toward California, we do not fund national or international conferences. Programs submitted for Council consideration should deal primarily with California issues and employ California resource people. Secondly, our sole function is as a grants-making organization; we would be unable to be jointly involved in any form of co-sponsorship or other jointly hosted activities.

I would suggest that your organization develop a rough draft of a specific proposal and make an appointment at that time with a member of our staff to discuss the project in detail.

Sincerely,

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