

Westmont College Student Association

Funding Proposal Form

Group Name: The Multi-Ethnic Student Association	Proposal Date: 3/6/2018
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Project Name: MESA Shirts	Project Date: N
Department Affiliation: Intercultural Programs	Event open to the entire student body? n/a

Has your group submitted a proposal in the past? Yes No If so, when?

Describe the nature of your project (Target population, number of students involved, length of project, etc).

MESA is wanting to purchase tshirts for the members of the Multi-Ethnic Student Association. We have about 30 constituents. The shirts say "OTHER" on the front next to a checkmark, a representation of the "Other" box we have to check on forms, surveys, etc. as our racial identification.

What do you hope to achieve with this project?

The "other" shirts are a MESA tradition, so we believe that continuing this tradition will help create a stronger community within MESA, both present and past. These shirts are also educational in that they prompt conversation. When people ask about the other and checkmark, the person wearing the shirts is given a chance to share an experience that is inherent with their identity and be heard. The person asking is able to listen to a perspective that is not the majority at Westmont, learn something that may be new to them, and be connected with someone new or on a deeper level with someone they already know.

How much money are your requesting from WCSA? (Please provide an itemized budget)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Amount</i>
TSHIRT x30	320.40
Film & Screen Charge	70.00
TOTAL	390.40

Westmont College Mission Statement

Westmont College is an undergraduate, residential, Christian, liberal arts community serving God's kingdom by cultivating thoughtful scholars, grateful servants and faithful leaders for global engagement with the academy, church and world.

WCSA Mission Statement:

WCSA is the voice that represents the diverse views, beliefs, needs, and desires of our student body. We seek to unify faculty, staff, administration, and students by promoting communication and initiating change at Westmont College.

How does your project relate to the mission of the college and WCSA?

As described above, these shirts will help create a stronger community within MESA but also are educational and community building for the whole of Westmont. These shirts are a medium to give voice to the multi-racial population on campus. It is an opportunity for all who wear them to feel united with all others who experience "being othered," a way to be proud of the way God has created us to be, whether or not we look like our fellow classmates, teachers, chapel speakers, etc., and it is an easy opportunity for the rest of Westmont to be exposed to a diverse experience that is present in this student body.

Payment Logistics:

Pay to: Intercultural Programs__ Account #: 18-51502-58520

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General Council Comments:

Action Taken: Pass / Fail

Contact Person Notified? _____

Amount Granted: \$ _____