



# Request for Appropriation of Funding Non-Board of Trustee Item Request

Note: All request must be submitted 6 weeks prior to event date

Submit to Student Life Office and email to [lhennings@mtsac.edu](mailto:lhennings@mtsac.edu). Upon receipt, confirmation of item and agenda date will follow.

For Office Use Only	
Request #:	12
Date Received:	May 3
Agenda Date:	May 10

Amount Requested per item

### I. Type of Appropriation Requested (Select all that apply):

- Catering: (ex. Sodexo, off-campus restaurants and caterers) \$ -
- Conference & Travel: (ex. Registration, transportation, lodging, meal allowance) \$ -
- Food Supplies: (ex. Pre-packaged food items like chips and candy, etc.) \$ 322.00
- Supplies: (ex. Streamers, paper cups, plastic utensils, decorations, etc.) \$ 26.00

If you are requesting funding for an Independent Contractor or Contract, you will require the Board of Trustees approval. You must complete a separate "Request for Appropriation of Funding Board of Trustee Item Request."

**TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED:** \$ 348.00

### II. Additional Sources of Funding

Are you considering other sources of funding? (Circle one)  Yes / No

If so, please indicate the Source: Students are providing money in order to cover the cost of the site for the weekend. Amount: \$ 20.00 per person  
This is not added into the amount we are requesting from Associated Students.

### III. Event Information

Recognized Student Club/ Organization (RSCO) or Department: Mt. SAC Astronomical Society - Earth Science & Astronomy Dept.

Name of Event: Dark Sky Excursion

25 Live Reservation Reference Code: 2022-AAJZNC

Event Location: Off-campus: Goat Mountain Astronomical Research Station in Landers, CA

Event Date: May 27 - 29, 2022

Event Start to End Time: 11:00 AM May 27, 2022 to approx. 4:00 PM May 29, 2022

**NOTE: Associated Students has the purview of requiring certain events to prove all participants to have paid their current Student Activities Fee. Fees are subject to electronic verification, via the Associated Students website.**

Meals are estimated for 16 people. Students going on the trip are paying a fee to cover the cost of the site for the weekend.

<u>Dinner 5/27</u>	
pasta	\$ 4.00
meatballs	\$ 15.00
garlic bread	\$ 10.00
sauce	\$ 5.00
<b>total</b>	<b>\$ 34.00</b>

<u>Breakfast 5/28</u>	
oatmeal	\$ 7.00
cereal	\$ 5.00
pop-tarts	\$ 10.00
muffins	\$ 15.00
eggs	\$ 6.00
milk	\$ 4.00
milk alternative	\$ 4.00
juice	\$ 10.00
<b>total</b>	<b>\$ 61.00</b>

<u>Lunch 5/28</u>	
tortillas	\$ 8.00
ground beef	\$ 15.00
onions	\$ 2.00
cilantro	\$ 1.00
cheese	\$ 8.00
tomatoes	\$ 2.00
guacamole	\$ 7.00
salsa	\$ 5.00
<b>total</b>	<b>\$ 48.00</b>

<u>Dinner 5/28</u>	
potluck at site	\$ 20.00

<u>Breakfast 5/29</u>	
same as 5/28	

<u>Lunch 5/29</u>	
bread	\$ 20.00
meats/cheese	\$ 20.00
tuna	\$ 5.00
peanut butter	\$ 4.00
jelly	\$ 7.00
<b>total</b>	<b>\$ 56.00</b>

<u>Misc</u>	
cutlery	\$ 10.00
paper towels	\$ 4.00
cups	\$ 6.00
paper plates	\$ 6.00
ice	\$ 10.00
water bottles	\$ 20.00
water jugs	\$ 5.00
snacks	\$ 40.00
hot chocolate	\$ 6.00
instant coffee	\$ 6.00
coffee additives	\$ 8.00
condiments	\$ 8.00
<b>total</b>	<b>\$ 129.00</b>

<b>Total for the weekend:</b>	<b>\$ 348.00</b>
<b>Price per person:</b>	<b>\$ 21.75</b>

## **Purpose and Nature of the Club Event**

The Goat Mountain Astronomical Research Station (GMARS) is located in Landers, CA. This area of Southern California is known for its dark skies, which are essential for astronomical imaging. The city night sky is filled with light pollution, which makes it difficult for viewing astronomical objects, even for imaging. GMARS is a place where professional and amateur astronomers gather to image the night sky, or just simply view amazing objects in their telescopes. Many astronomers have their own larger telescopes that they keep on the site. Once per month, GMARS is open to the public for a single weekend. Astronomers come from all over the area to use their telescopes and allow guests to look through them as well.

We would like the opportunity to attend a telescope weekend at GMARS for the students in the Mt. SAC Astronomical Society (the Astronomy Club). Many of the astronomers that attend this event are quite knowledgeable about the objects they're viewing, and are eager to share with others. Not only does this event give the students access to large telescopes in an incredible dark sky area, but we will also be bringing some of our campus-owned telescopes for the students to work with. The students will learn how to set up a telescope, navigate the night sky, and record images. Because of the expert astronomers and the sky conditions, this opportunity allows the students to truly experience astronomy in a way that's not possible from the city.

The GMARS site has a small building that they will allow students to use for storage and sleeping over the weekend. The Astronomical Society is asking for funding assistance from Associated Students for this trip to help cover the cost of meals. We are very grateful for the possibility of campus support for this event.