

## Grants Committee Recommendation – The Seed Bomb Project

The PPCC Grants Committee is pleased to recommend a grant of **\$3,000** from donations that PPCC has received to The Seed Bomb Project (SBP), for the ingredients to make and then distribute “seed bombs” to Palisades residents during the holiday season. The Grants Committee hopes that these seed bombs will result in impacted homeowners turning their cleared lots into wildflower meadows.

As explained on its website, The SBP “mobilizes young people and fire-impacted communities to heal through hands-on ecological restoration. By creating and spreading native wildflower seed bombs, we accelerate recovery, transform grief into growth, and plant the future – one wildflower at a time.” <https://theseedbombproject.com/>.

The SBP was founded in spring 2025 by then 14-year-old Rummy Goodyear, after he lost his home in the Alphabet Streets In the Palisades Fire. It was borne out of “one teen’s need to find purpose in the midst of tragedy, bringing beauty and nature back to the fire-devastated community. Making these Bombs is a tangible way for kids to heal the land, heal themselves and heal Pacific Palisades.”

The organization partners with the Theodore Payne Foundation to use a custom blend of “fire-following” wildflower seeds that are adapted to our climate conditions. The SBP explains that the “Seed Bombs are drought-tolerant, halt the spread of invasive species, detoxify the soil, and provide essential urban habitat for local wildlife. These powerful seeds, combined with Malibu Compost Bu’s Blend biodynamic compost and kaolin clay, make the most land fortifying Seed Bombs for fire-ravaged land.”

A team of hundreds of youth volunteers makes and distributes the bombs. Bombs have already been distributed for the Marquez Bluffs cleanup and for the newly planted tree wells outside CVS on Swarthmore. The SBP estimates that it has given away more than 3,000 seed bombs since its inception to homeowners in the Palisades and Altadena.<sup>1</sup>

In the words of The SBP: “One profound lesson of the disastrous 2025 wildfires is that kids can (and must) transform loss into a catalyst for social change. The [SBP] is a catalyst for this transformation, rooting youth in activism, service, and citizen science.”

By helping to promote healing of our teens and the land, this grant would support the goal of overall Palisades Fire Recovery. The Grants Committee urges the PPCC Board to approve a \$3,000 grant to The Seed Bomb Project for the purpose described above.

### ***By the PPCC Grants Committee:***

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<sup>1</sup> Based on The SBP’s estimation, the recommended grant of \$3,000 will cover ingredients to make and distribute approximately 1,000 Seed Bombs specifically to fire-impacted *Palisades residents*.