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### **Sierra Grant Awarded to Porterville Art Association, Inc.**

**Porterville, CA** —Bank of the Sierra is pleased to announce a Sierra Grant in the amount of \$2,500 has been awarded to the Porterville Art Association, Inc. to benefit the Porterville Mural Project. The grant funds will be used to support the “Marching Through Time” historical band mural to be placed on the east side of Centennial Park on Main Street, Porterville. The mural will depict a chronology of the history of bands in the community beginning in 1902.

#### **About The Sierra Grant Program**

The Sierra Grant Program is designed to improve the quality of life for the families, especially the children, who reflect the diversity within Bank of the Sierra branch communities. The Sierra Grant Program is focused on three areas: community services, park preservation, and education. Anyone involved in a non-profit program that is interested in a Sierra Grant can pick up an instructional brochure at any Bank of the Sierra branch, or visit the bank web site at [www.bankofthesierra.com](http://www.bankofthesierra.com).

#### **About Bank of the Sierra**

With over \$1.3 billion in assets and strong performance ratios, Bank of the Sierra is the largest independently owned community bank headquartered in Southern San Joaquin Valley’s Heartland. The bank serves 15 different communities with 25 branches, two Ag Centers and one SBA Center. For more information visit the web site at [www.bankofthesierra.com](http://www.bankofthesierra.com) or call (888) 454-BANK.

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