



Welcome

2024-2025 Competitive Grant Cycle
Info Session

TODAY'S AGENDA



- **How it works**

(process, decisions, types of grants, awards)

- **Our areas of focus**

(capacity building, economic opportunity, education and youth, thriving community)

- **Requirements, milestones, best practices**

- **How to begin**

HOW DOES THE GRANT PROCESS WORK?



Summer Grants



Year-round Grants



Youth Literacy Initiative (interventions for grades K-12)



Multiyear Grant Opportunity

**Special Virtual Grant-Seeker Session:
Youth Literacy Initiative**

HOW ARE DECISIONS MADE?



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What are the types of grants you make?

Programmatic

Support for a **specific project or program** tied to specific outcomes

Operating

Support for an organization's **overall activities**, including overhead

Summer Program

Program activities that occur between the months of **May and August**

Organizations may only apply for ONE grant type

HOW MUCH DO YOU AWARD PER GRANT?



**Up to
\$75,000**

COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT

WHERE DO YOU FOCUS YOUR GRANTMAKING?





Capacity Building

To support, develop, and promote a network of services and resources that strengthen the quality and impact of the local nonprofit sector and community.

Examples:

- Curriculum Driven Programming
- Executive Coaching



Economic Opportunity

To improve human capital by creating opportunities for strategic and effective workforce preparation leading to economic sufficiency.

Example:

- High-demand jobs
- Higher pay jobs
- Literacy (economic, technical, reading)
- Unemployed/under-employed





To provide youth with the opportunity to reach their fullest potential.

Example:

- Early Childhood
- Access to Education
- At-risk Youth
- Youth Literacy

Education and Youth

Thriving Community



To address a broad range of community needs so that residents can live healthy and vibrant lives.

Examples:

- Housing & Homelessness
- Health & Wellness
- Food Insecurity
- Arts & Culture
- Environmental



WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS?



- ❖ A **tax-exempt organization** under Internal Revenue Code (Fiscal Sponsors welcome*)

*If you plan to use a Fiscal Sponsor, please contact our staff.

- ❖ **Located within OR serving** Palm Beach and Martin Counties

- ❖ Organizations in **good standing** with the Community Foundation

WHAT IS NOT CONSIDERED?



PROGRAMS

Intended for regranting

Grant recipients for past 3 consecutive years*

Programs that have received 3 consecutive years of competitive funding **may reapply after 1 year, and/or apply with a **different program***

ORGS & INDIVIDUALS

Past loans and debts

Orgs with HQ outside of PB and Martin Counties

Parochial, charter, private, or individual public schools

Specific individuals

Discriminatory Practices

FUNDRAISING

Annual appeals

Capital campaigns or projects

Event underwriting

Agency endowments

Debts/budget deficits

KEY DATES FOR SUMMER REQUESTS



Dates	Summer
November 1, 2024	Application opens
December 20, 2024	Application due at 5 p.m.
February 2025	Site visit calls
March 14, 2025	Award notices
Late March/April 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement calls• Grant agreements• Funds disbursed
May 1 – August 31, 2025	Grant period

KEY DATES FOR YEAR-ROUND REQUESTS



Dates	Year-round
November 1, 2024	Letter of Intent (LOI) opens
December 20, 2024	LOI due at 5 p.m.
February 3, 2025	Full proposals invited
March 3, 2025	Full proposal due at 5 p.m.
March 2025	Site visits (in-person/virtual)
May 23, 2025	Award notices
Late May/June 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement calls• Grant agreements• Funds disbursed
July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026	Grant period

TIPS FOR STRONG PROPOSALS



The 4 C's: **Clear, Concise, Comprehensive, Compelling**

Generate visible **results**

Review and complete the **budget form** correctly

Emphasize **collaboration** and learned/lived **experiences**

HOW DO I START?



Access the Letter of Intent (LOI)

www.yourcommunityfoundation.org

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LOI KEY AREAS



Eligibility – Nonprofit Status

Organization Name*

Organization Name is Required

Do you have an IRS 501c3 designation?*

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

LOI KEY AREAS



Previously Funded by the Community Foundation

Project Name*

What is the name of the project for which you are applying?

Have you received 3 years of consecutive funding from the Community Foundation for this program?*

Fiscal Year 2022 (July 2021 through June 2022)

Fiscal Year 2023 (July 2022 through June 2023)

Fiscal Year 2024 (July 2023 through June 2024)

☐ Yes

☐ No

LOI KEY AREAS



Eligibility – Articles of Incorporation

Do you have active Articles of Incorporation through Florida Division of Corporations (Sunbiz)?*

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

What is your FEI/EIN Number (Without Hyphen)?*

Please use the following link to find your FEI/EIN number.

[Florida Division of Corporations](#)

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LOI KEY AREAS



Fiscal Agent

Name of Fiscal Agent*

Fiscal Agent EIN*

Fiscal Agent Address*

Fiscal Agent Contact Name*

Fiscal Agent Email Address*

Fiscal Agent Phone Number*

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)*

If you are using a fiscal agent to accept and manage a grant award, please upload your signed MOU.

Upload a file

[20 MiB allowed]

LOI KEY AREAS



- **Programmatic Requests**

Operating Budget Amount*

Please provide the dollar amount of your current, board approved, operating budget.

ENTER NUMBERS ONLY. NO DOLLAR SIGNS OR COMMAS

Operating Budget Amount is Required

Total Cost of Program*

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Grant Request Amount*

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LOI KEY AREAS



General Operating Requests

Operating Budget Amount*

Please provide the dollar amount of your current board approved, operating budget.

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Grant Request Amount*

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Grant Request Amount is Required

Q&A

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