



2019 Impact Grant Guidelines and Instructions

The Community Foundation of Harford County’s 2019 Impact Grant Program assists a wide range of nonprofits and other qualifying charitable organizations that improve the quality of life in Harford County. The Impact Grant Program generally provides one-year grants for specific programmatic or operational needs. **Applications must be submitted by October 11, 2019 using our online grant application at cfharfordcounty.egrant.net.**

In 2019, funds are available for programs that address:

FOCUS AREAS	MAXIMUM AWARD
• High school STEM	\$3,000
• High school arts	\$4,500
• Respite care	\$3,059
• Homelessness	\$1,000
• Human needs	\$1,000
• Children	\$1,000
• Animal welfare (preference for domestic and feral cats)	\$1,000
• Hunger	\$1,000
• STEM	\$1,000
• Other charitable purposes	\$1,000

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or other qualifying charitable organization providing services in Harford County.
- Grant funds must be used to provide services in Harford County.
- Grant funds may be used for specific programmatic or operational needs.
- Only completed applications will be reviewed.
- Funded projects must begin after November 12, 2019. Retroactive funding is not given.
- Recipients of 2018 Impact Grants must submit their final grant report to be eligible to apply in 2019.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

- Grant proposal
- 501(c)3 determination letter from the IRS. Other qualifying charitable organizations should contact CFHC to verify your eligibility prior to completing an application.
- List of current members of the Board of Directors and executive staff.
- Proposed program budget on required CFHC Impact Grant 2019 budget form.
- Most recent Form 990 or financial statement.

CFHC accepts proposals requesting funding for the following:

- demonstration projects if accompanied by a sound evaluation plan,
- general operating costs, new or special projects undertaken by an organization,
- program evaluation, generally if the organization has applied for or received a grant for program implementation,
- seed money for new nonprofit [501(c)(3)] organizations,
- gap funding for a project,
- matching funds required by another funding agency, and
- emergency funds, under certain circumstances. Organizations must contact the foundation to discuss their situations prior to submitting a proposal.

CFHC does not ordinarily fund:



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- capital projects;
- organizations that do not provide a direct service but are requesting a grant in order to redistribute or re-grant the funds to other organizations;
- deficit financing;
- endowments; and
- organizations that do not have nondiscrimination policies.

CFHC does not fund:

- any project that would jeopardize its 501(c)(3) status;
- religious organizations for religious programs or any religious organization that requires religious participation in return for non-secular assistance;
- political or lobbying efforts; and
- organizations outside Harford County that do not specifically assist Harford County residents.

Grant recipients will be notified of award and the approved amount by Nov. 1, 2019 and will be invited to attend CFHC's Annual Celebration of Giving on Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019 from 7:30-9 a.m.

Grantees must enter into a grant agreement with CFHC acknowledging that all grant funds must be used for the charitable purposes as stated in the original grant application. If at any time funds are being misused, CFHC has the authority to withhold and/or recover grant funds.

Grant recipients are required to provide a final grant report by Nov. 1, 2020. Grantees may request a modification to or extension of their grant approval at any time by submitting the request in writing to CFHC. CFHC reserves the right to conduct site visits to evaluate the status of grant programs. A grantee may not apply for another grant if it has an open grant with the foundation.

Contact CFHC with questions at 443-371-6062 or info@cfharfordcounty.org. Apply now at cfharfordcounty.egrant.net.