



BLUE MOUNTAIN
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

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2019-2020 Discretionary Grant Guidelines

Deadline: July 1, 2019 at 11:59 pm

2019 Budget – \$248,000

Who May Apply?

The following organizations located in or serving Columbia, Garfield, Umatilla and Walla Walla counties are eligible to apply.

- 501(c)3 charitable organizations
- Public agencies or units of government
- Churches and faith-based organizations
- Non-charitable organizations that have a 501(c)3, church or public agency serving as fiscal sponsor

Please note that membership organizations and non-charitable organizations lacking a fiscal sponsor are not eligible to apply. Requests from organizations outside of our service area will not be considered without an established presence in the community they plan to serve.

Grant Focus:

Grants for programs, projects, or capital purposes are preferred. Projects – programmatic or capital – that will make a difference within the term of the grant, and to which BMCF’s grant will make a difference. Larger grants – defined as \$20,000 to \$100,000 – are possible. Grant requests should align with the Community Conversations Priorities.

Application Requirements:

- Financial disclosure. The level of financial disclosure will depend on size of organization.
 - Organizations with annual operations of \$5 million or more are required to have an audit.
 - Organizations with annual operations under \$5 million may use reviews, compilations or bookkeeper reports.
 - Public agencies should send their most recent public audit.
 - Organizations working with a fiscal sponsor must include the fiscal sponsor’s financial disclosure report as well as a financial report of their own organization.
 - Form 990 or Form 990-EZ is required for all organizations other than public agencies or faith-based groups not required to file Form 990.
- A current list of the governing board of the organization, including board officers.
- A brief summary of the background and expertise of the organization’s leader (executive director, CEO, Board chair or president – whoever is the executive for the organization).
- A budget for the entire program for which the grant is sought.
- A “Statement of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion”
- BMCF understands that expressions of faith are central to programs offered by faith-based groups. Please disclose if differing levels of program services are based upon religious observation, or if adherence to a particular faith is required for program services. Organizations primarily serving their own members, or seeking funding to grow or serve their membership, are not eligible for a Discretionary Grant, since we seek to make the greatest impact on the entire community with our discretionary dollars.

2019-2020 Grant Program Timeline

Deadline: July 1st, 2019 at 11:59 pm

July-August: Staff and Committee Review Applications

September 17th: Board of Trustees Approves Grants

End of September: Applicant Notification