

COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAMS

For Organizations Under Two Years Old

PROGRAM SUPPORT GRANTS

Program Support Grants fund new and innovative programs and sustain current and/or ongoing programs. New initiatives are limited to a single year request.

- Organizations may apply for a Program Support Grant (PSG) and/or an Organization Support Grant (OSG) in either the Spring or Fall grant cycle if they did not receive a grant from that grant program in the previous grant cycle. See application guidelines for either grant program for further explanation.
- For organizations with operating budgets greater than \$125,000, the maximum request amount is \$25,000.
- Organizations with operating budgets less than \$125,000 may request an amount up to 20% of their operating budget per request (rounded up to the nearest \$100).
 - The Community Foundation generally does not fund more than 20% of an organization's operating budget between Program Support and Organization Support grants total in a calendar year.
- Organizations that are primarily volunteer-driven and/or have a very small operating budget should contact the Program Officer to discuss the eligible amount for their specific situation.

LINN COUNTY GRANTS

Support for efforts in Linn County outside the metropolitan area (considered to be Cedar Rapids, Marion, Hiawatha, Robins, Fairfax)

- Organizations can submit one application per year
- Grant Term: 12 months
- Grant Amount: maximum of \$10,000

ORGANIZATION SUPPORT GRANTS

Organization Support Grants fund capacity building projects for organizations serving Linn County with operating budgets under \$20M.

RAPID RESPONSE GRANTS

Support for critical emergency expenses and emerging opportunities. Opportunities that can be or could have been submitted within a grant cycle are not eligible.

- Organizations are limited to one grant per 12 months
- Grant Term: Up to 12 months
- Grant Amount: maximum of \$2,500

COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAMS

For Organizations Two – Seven Years Old

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ORGANIZATION SUPPORT GRANTS

Organization Support Grants fund general operating costs for organizations based in Linn County with an operating budget less than \$5M and capacity building projects for organizations serving Linn County with operating budgets under \$20M.

RAPID RESPONSE GRANTS

Support for critical emergency expenses and emerging opportunities. Opportunities that can be or could have been submitted within a grant cycle are not eligible.

- Organizations are limited to one grant per 12 months
- Grant Term: Up to 12 months
- Grant Amount: maximum of \$2,500

COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAMS

For Organizations More Than Seven Years Old

PROGRAM SUPPORT GRANTS

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ORGANIZATION SUPPORT GRANTS

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- Organizations with operating budgets less than \$125,000 may request an amount up to 20% of their operating budget per request (rounded up to the nearest \$100).
 - The Community Foundation generally does not fund more than 20% of an organization's operating budget between Program Support and Organization Support grants total in a calendar year.
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- Organizations can submit one application per year
- Grant Term: 12 months
- Grant Amount: maximum of \$10,000

RAPID RESPONSE GRANTS

Support for critical emergency expenses and emerging opportunities. Opportunities that can be or could have been submitted within a grant cycle are not eligible.

- Organizations are limited to one grant per 12-months
- Grant Term: Up to 12 months
- Grant Amount: maximum of \$2,500

ENDOWMENT CHALLENGE GRANTS

Supports nonprofit organizations with a matching grant to help in their effort to create sustainable funding.

- Maximum is \$25,000, awarded as a 1:3 matching grant
- Five years to meet the match
- Additional eligibility criteria in application materials and online



OTHER GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

(no limitations based on organization age or size)

COMPETITIVE DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

The Community Foundation administers competitive grants for local corporations and family foundations. Competitive Donor-Advised Funds are donor-driven. The funding priorities, exclusions, decision-making, and timing of grant awards are determined by the donor.

- Altorfer, Inc.
- Bloomhall Family
- CRST International
- Diamond V
- GreatAmerica Financial Services Corporation
- Lil' Drug Store Products
- McGrath Automotive Group
- World Class Industries
- Girls with Goals

OTHER GRANT FUNDS

The Community Foundation provides administrative support for the following additional grant opportunities. The funding priorities, exclusions, decision-making, and timing of grant awards are determined by the donor.

- Friends Helping Friends

More information on all grant opportunities and the Grantmaking Equity Statement can be found at www.gcrcf.org/nonprofits/grants.