

# Eligibility

## Criteria

In order to be eligible for support from The Raymond John Wean Foundation your efforts must include integrated, equitable solutions that are well-aligned with our mission and values within one of the strategic priorities of:

### Community Revitalization

### Economic Opportunity

### Educational Opportunity

### Public and Civic Sector Leadership

To be eligible, an organization must be:

- Tax-exempt nonprofit under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or operate under the fiscal sponsorship of a tax-exempt nonprofit under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including schools, faith-based and public organizations; and
- Primarily serving the residents of the Mahoning Valley (on a case-by-case basis, the Foundation may consider support for regional, statewide or national public policy efforts that are otherwise aligned with our strategic priorities)

### The Foundation Does Not Fund:

- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, religion, gender or gender identity, sexual orientation,

age, national origin or disability.

- Individuals, businesses/for profit entities
- Individual scholarships or grants, even if through an otherwise qualified organization
- Religious organizations for religious or evangelical purposes
- Participation or invention in any political campaigns or attempts to influence legislation except to the extent that such activities are permissible under IRS rules pertaining to recognized 501(c)(3) organizations
- Endowment funds or capital campaigns
- Film or video production
- Debt reduction
- Foreign operations or expenditures
- National fundraising campaigns or mass mailing campaigns
- Fundraising event sponsorship
- Membership in civic organizations or trade associations
- Veterans' organizations or fraternal societies