

Application Process

If, after a careful review of our [strategic priorities](#) and [values](#), you believe that your organization is a strong candidate for financial support, we ask that you submit an online Letter of Inquiry (LOI).

As the initial outline of your proposed ideas and work, the Foundation utilizes the LOI to determine sufficient alignment for funding consideration and “fit” before your organization expends time and energy putting together a full proposal. A successful LOI will provide the following: clear alignment with the Foundation’s mission and values; a sound and thoughtful approach to addressing one of our strategic priorities; and evident indicators that the organization has the capacity to carry out the work. A review may include site visits or follow up questions necessary to make funding recommendations.

Community Investment Grants – \$1,000 to \$5,000

- One-stage: Letter of Inquiry submission accepted at any time.
- Within four weeks, advisement of whether funding is approved.

[Starting a new \\$1,000 to \\$5,000 Letter of Inquiry application](#) or [returning to an application in progress?](#)

Community Investment Grants – Over \$5,000

- Two-stages: Letter of Inquiry submission, followed by a more detailed proposal if invited.
- Accepted on a quarterly basis.
- Within four weeks, advisement of whether a full proposal is in order and the corresponding due date for

completion.

- Our Board approves or declines recommendations at the quarterly Board meeting.

Tip: We advise you submit in advance of the deadlines below in case you encounter unexpected obstacles submitting your application.

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Grant Application Deadlines

Board Meeting	Letter of Inquiry Submission deadline is 5:00 p.m.	Proposal Submission deadline is 5:00 p.m.
March	December 1	January 15
June	March 1	April 15
September	June 1	July 15
December	September 1	October 15