

# HOW TO APPLY FOR GRANT SUPPORT

*We work with nonprofits to lead change and increase impact in philanthropy! We welcome your request for funding to support our efforts to build a community that thrives.*

## The Application

We strongly encourage all applicants to connect with us prior to completing a grant application. Contact Nona Baker at 812.482.5295 or [nona@dccommunityfoundation.org](mailto:nona@dccommunityfoundation.org) to discuss your proposal.

The Community Foundation uses an online grants platform called Community Force. All applications must be submitted through this application process found on our website, <https://dccommunityfoundation.org/grants/> via the [Online Application](#) link.

If you are new user, you will need to create an account using your e-mail address and a password. Once you start the application, you can save your work throughout the process and come back to it later.

## Eligibility

We encourage applications from 501(c)(3) nonprofits or other qualified tax-exempt organizations that serve Dubois County residents.

## Limitations

The Community Foundation generally does not support the following:

- For-profit business-related programs or projects
- Loans or grants directly to individuals
- Golf scrambles, booster clubs and 5K events

## Considerations

Grants from the Community Foundation are not intended to be the “first stop” or only source of funding. Financial commitment from the organization and other funding sources is important to show broad support and community buy-in.

Those applicants that are results driven, take a dignified, empowering approach to building a healthy community with effective partnerships will stand out.

## Nondiscrimination Policy

The Community Foundation does not support organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, disabilities, age, status as a veteran, national origin, or any other protected classes.



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## Is there a deadline for the grant application?

- We accept applications year-round. The Grants Committee meets to review applications every other month, specifically January, March, May, July, September and November. Applications are due by the 1st of the month that the Grants Committee meets.

## Can my organization submit a request for multi-year funding?

- Yes, multi-year funding can be a consideration for strong proposals that demonstrate a plan for sustainability.

## Can we apply for a grant more than one time a year?

- Yes. You can utilize the *Grant Application - #2 (2nd application)*". Information from the previous application (within the same calendar year), may be imported and updated as needed.

## Who reviews the grant applications?

- Applications are reviewed by our Grants Committee comprised of volunteers from across the county.

## When will I be notified of the outcome of my grant application?

- All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their grant application within five business days of the review.

## If our organization's proposal is denied, can we apply again for the same purpose?

- Generally, yes. If a request is denied after review, Community Foundation staff will provide the reason(s) and make recommendations about whether additional information or effort is needed to improve the request and your eligibility to reapply.

