

YORK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

APPLICATION FOR GRANT

The Grants Program of York Community Foundation, Inc. (YCF) is a means by which not-for-profit charitable organizations may secure financial assistance for programs and/or projects which will enhance the quality of life for all residents of the York area and surrounding communities. YCF is a "community" foundation, in that we collect and administer charitable funds under Section 509(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code. We are technically a charity. We channel gifts from donors to a variety of nonprofit organizations. YCF serves the York area in three major ways: 1) seeking and soliciting gifts and bequests from individuals, families, corporations, and other not-for-profit organizations; 2) managing assets for preservation of principal, optimum return, and perpetuity of the donor's intentions; and, 3) distributing funds through grants. This application form pertains to request for grants from the unrestricted assets of YCF. Unrestricted assets are those assets that have not been designated for a specific purpose or beneficiary and over which the YCF Board of Directors has full discretion. YCF awards grants in six fields of interest: education, arts/culture, human services, community/civic, health, and recreation. Grants are made to nonprofit, federally tax exempt 501(c)(3) qualified organizations or to organizations delivering a project or program that qualifies as a charitable activity.

Grants are made for such charitable purposes which will enhance the quality of life for the residents of the York area, regardless of race, creed, color, sex, national origin or age, and must be consistent with such specific charitable areas of interest as recognized by YCF. Grants are not made to individuals or organizations that operate for profit. A grant cannot be used for political purposes.

Eligibility Requirements

Grants are awarded to organizations in the York community, or those serving a significant number of York County residents. Except in unusual circumstances, the Foundation does **NOT** award grants for:

- individuals
- operating expenses
- annual fund drives
- elimination of previously incurred deficits
- established or new endowment funds
- travel or related expenses for individuals or groups
- religious organizations where funds would be used in whole or in part to further the organization's sectarian purposes

Funding Limits

- The Foundation does not normally fund entire projects or programs. Preference is given to organizations that have raised a portion of the required funds, and/or enlisted the financial support of other organizations
- Applicants must have a plan for future funding and support from other sources if funding is for an ongoing program.
- Grants are usually awarded only for a definite purpose within a specified time period – normally for 12 months or less.

To apply

- Please complete the Grant Proposal Form, print and submit to:

York Community Foundation
Grants Committee
603 N Lincoln Ave.
York, NE 68467

Or email to: yfc@yorkchamber.org

GRANT PROPOSAL FORM

For Grants from Unrestricted Funds

Date: _____

Legal name of the organization: _____

Tax ID Number (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Contact Person(s): _____

Authorized signature: _____ Title: _____

Briefly describe the applicant organization, its' programs and population served:

Brief description of the project/program for which you are seeking funds:

Indicate the category which best describes your organization (not purpose of the grant):

Education _____ Arts/Culture _____ Community/Civic _____
Health _____ Human Services _____ Recreation _____
Religious (non-denominational) _____

Budget for project or program:

List sources of funds & amount of each.

SOURCE OF FUNDING	AMOUNT
TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDS SECURED	

List expenses.

EXPENSE	AMOUNT
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT/PROGRAM	

Amount of funding requested from YCF: _____

Funding period: From _____ To _____

Additional information that may be helpful in understanding the provided budgetary figures.

Problem/Purpose:

Describe what the project will accomplish, what benefits it will provide and what community need(s) it will meet.

Implementation:

How will this project be accomplished? By whom, where, when, etc.? Provide numbers and timetable.

Size and duration:

How many people are served or affected by this project and for how long?

Coordination:

Who else is addressing this need? Are there any coordination efforts between you and them? How does this project's approach differ from other already established efforts?

Continuation:

Will this project require continued funding? If so, identify the source of this future funding.

Evaluation:

Once completed, explain how your project will have accomplished its purpose?

In general:

Identify and explain which of the selection criteria your project or program meets.