

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT GRANTS

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Community Investment Grants for the 2021-22 fiscal year will be awarded in two grant cycles: Summer/Fall, and Winter/Spring. Community Investment Grants are available to organizations that serve or operate in Pulaski or Lonoke Counties. Applications for our Summer/Fall 2021 grant cycle will be available Tuesday, June 1 at heartaruw.org/apply. Evaluation of Summer/Fall grants will be based on application only. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Mollie Palmer at mpalmer@heartaruw.org.

FUNDING RANGE AND TIMELINE

- Grant funding range will be \$2,500-\$20,000
- June 1: Grants Available
- July 9: Grant Applications Due (evaluation will be based on application only)
- Early September: Grant Announcements made

Grants will be paid in two installments, made in September and December 2021.

OUR FOCUS AREAS AND PRIORITIES

Community Investment Grants will focus on general administrative support and capacity building. However, applicants should still be able to demonstrate how the work of their agency aligns with United Way's focus areas of Education, Financial Stability, and/or Health.

Education – Preparing children, youth and young adults to succeed in school and life.

Financial Stability – Helping individuals and families pave a path to financial independence.

Health – Helping individuals live healthy, independent lives.

In addition, grant applicants should demonstrate how their work directly impacts one or both of our target populations:

- Those directly impacted by COVID-19
- Individuals and families living below the ALICE threshold (visit www.unitedforalice.org/arkansas for more information)

REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must meet and provide evidence of the following requirements:

- Recognized 501(c)3 non-profit, tax exempt organization and/or a tax-exempt entity by the IRS
- Locally based volunteer board of directors or management body that meets at least quarterly, makes policy decisions and holds election of officers
- Registration with the Arkansas Secretary of State, if required
- Compliance with all applicable anti-terrorist financing and asset control laws as outlined by the federal Patriot Act
- Serve or operate in Pulaski and/or Lonoke Counties.

Financial Requirements

- Total Revenue up to \$199,999: Signed copy of IRS form 990 (or 990EZ) and compiled financial statements issued by an independent certified or licensed accountant
- Total Revenue of \$200,000-499,999: Signed copy of IRS 990 and independent financial review by certified or licensed accountant
- Total Revenue of \$500,000 or greater: Signed copy of IRS form 990 and audited financial statement issued by certified or licensed accountant.

GUIDELINES

- Grant funds may be spent for general administrative support or capacity building.
- Grant funds cannot be sought for capital expenditures such as building, plans, construction or renovation.
- Grant funds cannot be sought for proselytization.



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