

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible to apply?

Nonprofit agencies with evidence of tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that are not classified as private foundations. Grant funding will not be distributed to individuals.

Are there specific guidelines on how grant funding should be used?

Grants are awarded to direct service programs that benefit affordable housing residents and the neighboring communities. Indirect cost, general operating and administrative expenses (i.e. arbitrary "factors" or flat percentage cost add-ons) are ineligible and will not be included in the amount of any grants awarded. Please refer to Related Affordable Foundation Exclusion Criteria for a list of ineligible items for grant funding.

What impact areas does the Related Affordable Foundation prioritize?

Applications focused on the following impact areas will be taken into consideration for grant funding: education, food security, health and wellness, and workforce development.

What files are required for the grant application?

A recent annual financial statement, program budget for fiscal year in which funds are being requested and prior fiscal year, and current IRS documentation certifying that the applicant is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

How much funding will I receive?

Funding amounts and number of awards may vary depending on the quantity and quality of applications received.

What is the grant application deadline and award period?

The Related Affordable Foundation has a year-round, rolling application process. Grant requests are typically funded for one year.

Will my organization be able to apply for continued funding?

Organizations can apply for subsequent funding, but keep in mind that it is unlikely that our foundation's grants will continue to sustain an organization or program over time. The Related Affordable Foundation will want to learn more about the impact from the first awarded grant before offering subsequent funding.

If I am awarded grant funding, what are my responsibilities?

Final performance evaluation report must be submitted for all Related Affordable Foundation funded programs. The report should detail all program accomplishments and account for all grant expenditures outlined in your grant application. Failure to submit the final report will affect consideration for future funding requests.