



## Grant Application Guidelines

The Women's Foundation of Arkansas' grants program will be used to promote ideas and support projects and programs that assist Arkansas women and girls in achieving their full potential. WFA has one annual grant cycle per year. The process begins with a Letter of Interest.

**To be eligible to receive a grant from the Foundations, applicants must meet the following criteria:**

1. Must have a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt designation from the Internal Revenue Service, or be a governmental, educational or religious organization.
2. Must be located within Arkansas
3. Consultation and/or collaboration with other agencies are encouraged, but not required.
4. No application will be considered from previous grant recipients unless all written reporting requirements have been met.

### **Funding Focus:**

1. Projects/Programs must assist Arkansas women and/or girls, in rural and/or urban communities, in achieving self-sufficiency and should promote one or more of the following:
  - Improved educational status of Arkansas women and girls.
  - Development of skills in math, science and technology.
  - Job readiness and Entrepreneurship.
  - Promote mentoring of Arkansas women and/or girls.
  - Promote philanthropy by and for women in Arkansas.
  - Increase economic and financial literacy.
2. Grant requests should include evaluation tools to measure effectiveness of process and outcome with a clear definition of program success.
3. Projects/Programs should serve significant numbers, so that resources make a greater impact.
4. Should have board, staff and/or volunteers that are inclusive of and clearly reflect the diversity of the community served.

### **The Foundation does not fund:**

- Individuals.
- For-profit organizations.
- Sectarian activities of religious organizations.
- Operating expenses for annual drives or to eliminate debts.
- Capital improvements or campaigns for building, and property.
- Partisan political issues.
- Multi-year commitments.
- Projects that take place before the completion of the grant-making process.
- Scholarships.

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