



COMMUNITIES OF GIVING LEGACY INITIATIVE ONE-TIME 2023 Grant Information and Schedule

- *The Communities of Giving Legacy Initiative (CGLI) will consider requests that support and will have a positive impact on trailblazing youth of color within the 14208 and 14209 zip codes of the impacted community.*
- Applications MUST be submitted electronically online. No paper, emailed, or pdf applications will be accepted. Outcome reporting will also be online when closing the grant. For your convenience, an outline of the questions you will be required to address when completing your electronic application starts on p. 2.

Eligibility

- Applicants must be serving zipcodes 14208 or 14209 of City of Buffalo.
- Applicants must be serving youth ages 10 to 17.
- Grants are awarded only to organizations that have current Section 501(c) (3) status as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.
- Preference will be given to primarily Black-led 501(c)(3) organizations.

Other Matters

- The amount of funding available is \$30,000.
- The CGLI will not consider funding for:
 - ❑ Higher education scholarships (Please see <https://www.cfgb.org/community-change/initiatives/scholarships/> for separate application, deadlines, and process)
 - ❑ Religious purposes
 - ❑ Projects serving youth outside of 14208 and 14209 zip codes
 - ❑ Schools not registered with the New York State Education Department
 - ❑ Attendance at or sponsorship of fundraising events for organizations
 - ❑ Annual events or festivals
 - ❑ Any partisan political activity. Funds from the foundation cannot be used to support or oppose a candidate for political office.
 - ❑ Projects and activities that have occurred.
- The CGLI will consider allowing up to 10% of the grant amount for indirect costs.
- The CGLI requires that all grants be closed out within one year of the receipt of funds
- The CGLI reserves the right to conduct an independent evaluation of grant expenditures for up to four years. The grantee agrees to provide the information necessary to complete such an evaluation. Failure to submit requested information in a timely fashion may obligate the grantee to refund the grant.
- The use of grant funds for purposes not pre-approved by the CGLI or not supported through required documentation will result in a request that those grant funds be returned to the CGLI.
- The failure of an applicant to properly close out a grant in a timely manner will be a factor when considering new grant applications.

Timeline

Application opens online: April 3, 2023

Application deadline: May 1, 2023 at 4PM

NOTE: Applications in draft form after the deadline will be considered abandoned and will not be eligible to be considered for funding.

Decision notification: Mid June 2023

For grant-related and technical questions, please contact Ba Zan Lin at 716-852-2857, x 243 or linb@cfgb.org

Grant Application Questions

- Project name
- Amount requested
- Purpose of organization
- One sentence summary of grant purpose
- Date grant required
- Five-year history of prior grant requests to the Community Foundation
 - Previous requests, date submitted, and action (approved or denied) taken on each
- Financial background of organization including:
 - Annual operating expenses
 - Last fiscal year surplus/deficit
 - Accumulated surplus/deficit
 - Endowment market value

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. **Define need - why should this be done?**
 - What specific need does the proposal address?
 - Who will benefit?
2. **Describe how this request aligns with the CGLI's funding interests**
3. **Youth Focus**
 - Is this project youth-focused?
4. **Black-led Organization**
 - Is your organization black-led organization?
5. **Geographic Area Served**
 - Zip code 14208
 - Zip code 14209
 - Other
6. **Number to be served**
 - Indicate the number of individuals to be served by the proposed project.
7. **What will be done?**
 - What actions/activities are proposed to meet this need?
 - What are the distinctive features of your approach/program?
 - Is collaboration a part of this application? If yes, please detail.
 - What is the timetable?
8. **Who will be involved?**
 - What are the qualifications of people proposed for the project?
 - What other area providers deliver similar services?
 - What coordination has been/could be achieved with these providers? If none, explain why not
9. **Impacts and Outcomes**
 - Clearly identify the intended impacts and outcomes of the proposed project and how they will be measured. Quantifiable changes preferred.

PROJECT BUDGET

- Provide a very specific complete budget breakdown, identifying costs of the individual items that constitute your funding request to the Foundation
- Budget narrative (optional)
- What investment is your organization making in this project?
- Other funding sources from whom funds have been requested and the status of these requests
- If ongoing, what are your plans for continuing funding?
- If the CGLI were only able to partially fund your request, can you proceed?
 - If yes, how would your programming be affected? Please detail.

CERTIFICATION OF GRANT ELIGIBILITY

- Certification that the executive director and a board officer have approved submittal of the grant request and that all information provided is accurate
- Confirmation that organization has a Conflict of Interest policy in accordance with New York State Law
- List of all board members

ATTACHMENTS

- Resumes or CVs of project personnel – required
- Memoranda of Understanding or letters in support of your project from collaborators or letters from other funding sources who may have expressed interest in supporting the project – strongly advised