



2023 Passion Grants Information Sheet

Grants range from \$7,500 - \$31,900

Grant Description

Passion Grants convert The Community Foundation's donors' passions into impact through supporting programming in a broad range of focus areas including: human services, the environment, restoring historical structures, clean water, human rights/inclusion, the arts, preschool child development, and projects in Eastern Lancaster County.

To view past project examples, go to this URL: <https://www.lancfound.org/announcing-more-than-555000-in-grant-awards2/>

Virtual Information Meeting Register at www.lancfound.org/grants

DATE: March 20, 2023

TIME: 10:00am – 11:00 am

Eligibility Summary

Eligible applying organizations must meet the following requirements:

- Serve Lancaster County* residents without discrimination.
- Current 501(c)(3)** designation from the IRS.
- Registered with the Pennsylvania Bureau of Charitable Organizations unless otherwise exempt per the Institutions of Purely Public Charity Act.
- Complete IRS Form 990 annually.

- Annual audit or a financial review by an independent CPA is within the last 12 months.
- In good standing with all existing awards and contracts with the Lancaster County Community Foundation.
- Provide organizational Non-Discrimination Policy meeting all federal requirements as it applies to your type of organization ([FAQs](#)).
- Be aware of the Community Foundation's [Anti-Hate policy](#).

*The John J. Snyder Fund also serves Cumberland County, building must be owned by the CBO

**The Clean Water Fund also grants to municipalities

Application Process

1. Complete Letter of Intent (LOI) in the grant portal at [Lancfound.org/grants](https://lancfound.org/grants). The LOI provides basic organizational information and a brief description of your project concept.
2. After LOI is approved, we will provide full access to the grant application through the same portal.
3. Complete the full application by the final deadline.
4. Draft applications are eligible for staff review and feedback before final submission.

Grant Timeline

- Application opens: 3/10/2023
- Draft applications due for staff feedback (optional): 4/21/2023
- LOI Deadline: 5/12/2023
- Final applications due: 5/19/2023 at 11:59pm
- Award notifications: 7/21/2023
- Grant funding period: 7/21/2023, to 7/22/2024
- Completion Report due: 8/30/2024

Application questions

- **Vision –**
 - Q1: What is your vision for how this project will change the community? (1,500 characters)

- **Equity & Inclusion –**
 - Q1: Describe your organizational or project-level intentions to create practices of JEDI (justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion) to advance opportunities and minimize harm to individuals and/or communities. If applicable, how does this project address issues identified in Lancaster's Equity Profile? (1,500 characters)
- **Implementation Plan –**
 - Q1: Outline the expected timeline of your project, including anticipated milestones. (1,000 characters)
 - Q2: Outline how grant funds will be used. (1,000 characters)
- **Collaboration –**
 - Q1: How is your project supporting collaboration in our community? (Mention potential project partners) (1,500 characters)
- **Goals & Achievements –**
 - Q1: What are your project goals? (1,000 characters)
 - Q2: How will you evaluate your achievements? (1,000 characters)

Evaluation Criteria

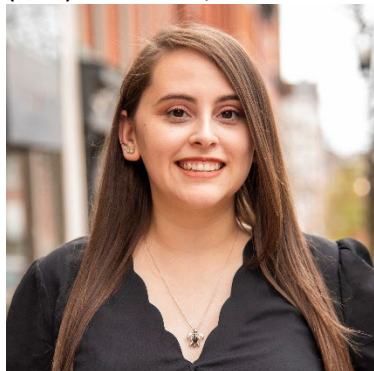
- **Vision –** To what extent does the response demonstrate a vision for change in our community?
- **Equity & Inclusion –** To what extent does the response demonstrate intentional practices of JEDI (JEDI: Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion), to advance opportunities, and minimize harm to individuals and communities, at the organizational or project level?
- **Implementation Plan –** To what extent does the response outline an effective plan for project implementation?
- **Collaboration –** To what extent does the response include collaboration with community partners and initiatives?
- **Goals & Achievements –** To what extent does the response outline and evaluate attainable and impactful goals?

Passion Grant Descriptions

- **Ada F. Harr Fund**
 \$10,000 - \$31,700
 For home health or custodial care for people impacted by illness or disability.
- **Katherine K. Gaeth Fund** (new focus this year)
 \$10,000 - \$27,200
 A fund that supports direct human services, 2023 grant dollars will be focused on programs providing direct support to individuals in need of safe and affordable housing.
- **Anne C. & W. Franklin Ressler Fund**
 \$10,000 - \$28,300
 For community projects based in Eastern Lancaster County. Specifically Eastern Lancaster County (ELANCO), Pequea Valley, and Conestoga Valley School Districts.
- **Lancaster Environmental Fund**
 \$10,000 - \$31,900
 Supports environmental protection, conservation, and education.
- **Patrick Kenney, Jr. Memorial Education Fund & K.L. Shirk Memorial Fund**
 \$7,500 - \$15,000
 Supports programs that fight hate and bigotry while promoting social justice.
- **Sam and Verda Taylor Fund**
 \$10,000 - \$28,000
 Supports the performing arts.
- **Florence Starr Taylor Fund, Eloise C. Aurand Fund, and Lancaster Arts & Culture Fund**
 \$7,500 - \$15,000
 Supports the visual arts.
- **Better Lancaster Fund**
 \$10,000 - \$24,800
 Supports early childhood development from birth to age five.

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