



2024 John J Snyder Grant Information Sheet

Grants range from \$20,000 - \$112,000

Grant Description

The John J. Snyder, Jr. Fund for Historic Preservation is a distinct fund of our Passion Grants. It provides for the restoration, maintenance, and repair of historical structures in Lancaster and Cumberland counties. Grant funds may be used for many of the “unglamorous things” necessary to sustain a documented historical structure owned by a community benefit organization, so that it may be preserved for future generations.

Project examples include repointing, roof repair and replacement, electrical system repair and replacement, general restoration, maintenance, and repair. To view past project examples, go to this URL: <https://www.lanfound.org/more-than-300000-awarded-throughout-lancaster-county/>

Zoom Office Hours

Have questions? Feel free to drop in for Zoom office hours with our Programs Team—The Zoom link and dates are listed below.

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/94537957170>

March 20, 10:00 – 11:00 am

April 18, 10:00 – 11:00 am

Eligibility Summary

- 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

Please note the Community Foundation will not typically fund:

- Creation of a new organization
- Schools
- Capital campaigns/capital costs (equipment, building costs, maintenance)
- Political campaigns
- Expenses incurred before the grant is awarded
- Cemetery associations
- Religious causes that further a specific belief/agenda

Visit our website for resources on eligibility criteria: <https://www.lancfound.org/eligibility-requirements/>

Application Steps

1. Complete Letter of Intent (LOI) Form in the grant portal at [Lancfound.org/grants](https://www.lancfound.org/grants). This form asks for 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 your full application by the final deadline.
4. Draft applications are eligible for staff review and feedback before final submission.

Timeline/Due Dates

- Grant portal opens: 3/12/2024
- Draft applications due for staff feedback (optional): 4/19/2024 at 11:59 pm
- LOI due: 5/10/2024 at 11:59 pm
- Final applications due: 5/17/2024 at 11:59pm at 11:59 pm
- Award notifications: 7/19/2024
- Grant funding period: 7/19/2024, to 7/19/2025
- Completion Report due: 9/30/2025

Application questions

- **Historical Significance –**
 - Q1: Describe the historical significance of the structure? (1000)
 - Q2: How is the structure relevant to the mission of the organization, or how is the structure currently utilized? (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 or ADA accessibility? (1,500 characters)
- **Nature of the Work –**
 - Q1: Describe the nature of the restoration, maintenance, or repair for which you seek funding, including respect for the original materials used in its fabrication and plans to document the nature of the work. (1,500 characters)
- **Pre-Planning Process –**
 - Q1: Describe how this project fits into a restoration/maintenance/repair plan for this building. Consider pre-treatment documentation (written and photographic records of the area or/and structure to be changed). Describe that planning process. (1,500 characters)
 - Q2: Provide details about the historic preservation consultant or vendor you have worked with. (1,000 characters)
- **Implementation Plan –**

- Q1: Outline the expected timeline of your project, including anticipated milestones. (1,500 characters)
- Q2: Outline how grant funds will be used. (1,500 characters)
- **Ecological/Long-term Benefits –**
 - Q1: Describe any ecological benefits or long-term cost savings associated with this project. (1,500 characters)

Evaluation Criteria (questions grant reviewers will use to evaluate & score)

- **Historical Significance** – To what extent does the response demonstrate the historical significance, and relevance of the structure?
- **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?
- **Nature of the Work** – To what extent does the response describe the nature of the work, steps to respect the original materials of the structure, and documentation of the work to be done for historical purposes?
- **Pre-Planning Process** - To what extent does the response outline a clear and well thought out pre-planning process, including collaboration with historic preservation consultant or vendor?
- **Implementation Plan** - To what extent does the response outline an effective plan for project implementation?
- **Ecological/Long-term Benefits** - To what extent does the response describe ecological benefits, or long-term cost savings associated with this project?

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