



Grants range from

\$7,500 to \$30,800

About Passion Grants

Passion Grants convert the Community Foundation's donors' passions into impact through supporting programming in a broad range of focus areas. These projects turn love of community into lasting change!

Passion Grants Focus Areas

- Healthcare
- Human Services
- Arts
- Environment
- Human Rights/Inclusion
- Eastern Lancaster County
- Supporting Young Children

*Full descriptions available on pg. 4



Passion Grants Info Session

March 24, 2021

2:30pm – 3:30pm • Zoom

Register at LancFound.org/grants



Eligibility and Application Process

Eligibility

Applications must come from current 501(c)(3) community benefit organizations (CBOs) registered with (or exempt from) the PA Bureau of Charitable Organizations, have an audit or financial review (less than 12 months old) and a current Form 990. Projects must benefit residents of Lancaster County. CBOs may not receive grants from the same Passion Grant for more than 3 consecutive years.

Please refer to LancFound.org/grants for further eligibility details.

Application Process

- 1 Complete the Letter of Intent (LOI) in the grant portal by **May 12, 2021**. The LOI provides basic organizational information, and a brief description of your project concept.
- 2 After Program Staff approve the LOI, we will provide full access to the grant application through the same grant portal.
- 3 Complete the full application by final deadline: **May 19, 2021**.
- 4 Refer to the Timeline on page 3 for important dates.



Evaluation Criteria

Need and Vision

Does the application address community needs, and does it outline a clear vision for change?

Equity and Inclusion

Does the organization demonstrate a commitment to racial equity, inclusion, and social justice?

Does the program focus on an underserved or underrepresented group of people?

Implementation Plan

How effectively does the application outline a plan for project coordination, utilization of funding, strategies, and timeline?

Collaboration

Does the application incorporate meaningful collaboration or partnerships with other organizations?

Organizational Capacity

Does the organization demonstrate capacity to successfully implement its proposed program?

Results

Does the application articulate ways the organization will measure the effect of the program or solution at a broad community level, and are the outcomes meaningful and feasible?

Application and Grant Timeline

Application Timeline

- **March 3** Application opens
Reminder: LOI must be completed before application is available.
- **April 21** Draft applications due for staff feedback (optional).
**Drafts saved but not submitted will NOT receive feedback.*
- **May 12** LOI deadline
 - Staff feedback provided; applications returned to draft status for completion
- **May 19** Final applications due at 11:59 pm



Grants Timeline

Award Notification (yes or no) • **JULY 22, 2021 BY 5PM**

Funding Period • **JULY 22, 2021 – JULY 22, 2022**

Grant Partners Timeline & Reporting

Grant Overview • **SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 (3:30PM – 4:30PM)**

Completion Report • **DUE AUGUST 31, 2022**

Celebration • **SEPTEMBER 23, 2022**

Passion Grant Funds

Human Services

ADA F. HARR FUND

\$30,500 available, grant range \$10,000–\$30,500

Provides home health or custodial care to people living in their homes who are affected by illness or disability in Lancaster County.

KATHERINE K. GAETH FUND

\$18,600 available, grant range \$10,000–\$18,600

Funding for human service support that provides a direct benefit to clients, such as housing needs and home modifications, utilities, home care assistance, and food access.

Eastern Lancaster County

ANNE C. & W. FRANKLIN RESSLER FUND

\$27,200 available, grant range \$10,000–\$27,200

Supports programs working with residents in Eastern Lancaster County, exclusively in the geographic regions of Conestoga Valley School District, Eastern Lancaster County School District, and Pequea Valley School District.

Environment

LANCASTER ENVIRONMENTAL FUND

\$30,800 available, grant range \$10,000–\$30,800

Encourages environmental protection, conservation, and environmental education efforts.

- Preserve and protect the natural resources and environment of Lancaster County.
- Increase the awareness of the public of the need to manage and conserve natural resources and to protect the environment.
- Investigate, explore, study, and evaluate new, useful, and efficient methods, procedures, and technologies relating to resource conservation, waste management, and protection of the environment.

Human Rights/Inclusion

PATRICK KENNEY, JR. MEMORIAL EDUCATION FUND & K.L. SHIRK MEMORIAL FUND

\$15,000 available, grant range \$7,500–\$15,000

Supports programs that fight hate and bigotry while seeking social justice for the most vulnerable members of Lancaster County, through internships, scholarships, workshops, and education.

Visual Arts

FLORENCE STARR TAYLOR FUND, ELOISE C. AURAND FUND, & LANCASTER ARTS AND CULTURE FUND

\$15,000 available, grant range \$7,500–\$15,000

Provides support to visual arts programs in Lancaster County, with a preference given for those that serve underrepresented or underserved groups in our community.

Performing Arts

SAM AND VERDA TAYLOR FUND FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

\$27,000 available, grant range \$10,000–\$27,000

Supports performing arts programs in the Lancaster County community, with a preference given for those that serve underrepresented or underserved groups in our community.

Infant, Toddler, and Preschool Children

BETTER LANCASTER FUND

\$23,900 available, grant range \$10,000–\$23,900

Supports programs that increase early childhood development for children from birth to age five.



If you have any questions, contact either **Fran Rodriguez** at frodriguez@lancfound.org or **Alma Felix** at afelix@lancfound.org