



Frequently Asked Questions

Thank you for inquiring about a grant. All applicants should first read the Grants page of the King Foundation's website [here](#). This FAQ document answers questions including and beyond basic eligibility. Please consult the FAQs before contacting the Foundation with questions.

1. How do I get into the online portal?

Go to our website and click on the [Application Portal](#) tab at the top of the homepage. Select the option that applies to your organization to log in. Please contact Grants Administrator [Amie Anderson](#) for help with the online portal.

2. I know that my agency applied previously, but I cannot find any proposals when I log in. How can I view past proposals that my agency submitted?

Once logged into the application portal, you will see options along the top ribbon, including "Organizational History." Here, you can view all past proposals for your organization, whether you or someone else was the named applicant in the proposal.

3. What is the Eligibility Quiz?

All applicants must complete an Eligibility Quiz before submitting an Application. It is a series of questions to help determine whether your request will meet the basic eligibility requirements.

4. What are the eligible counties funded by the King Foundation?

Eligible counties are listed under the grants tab on the website and divided into three regions: Arkansas, North Texas, and West Texas. If you do not serve in an eligible county, you may not apply.

*NOTE: King Foundation eligible counties changed as of December 2025.

5. What is the basic timeline of the Community Grant Cycle application process?

The upcoming Fall Cycle's Application deadline is August 1, 2026. This cycle's grant awards will be announced on December 11, 2026, and the grant implementation period is the 2027 calendar year. After that, grantees will have six months to submit an online grant report which will be due in early June 2028.

The Application deadline for the next Spring Cycle will be in early February 2027. Grant awards will be announced in June 2027. The grant implementation period will be June 2027 through May 2028. After that, grantees will have six months to submit an online grant report which will be due in early December 2028.

6. When is my organization eligible to reapply if my proposal was declined?

If your proposal was declined, you are eligible to apply again during the next open grant cycle. Email your regional program staff to schedule a decline call and/or to discuss your reapplication proposal and timing.



7. When is my organization eligible to reapply if it received a grant award?

If your organization received a King Foundation grant, you must wait at least 18 months before reapplying. This includes one year to implement the grant-funded work and six months to submit the final report. Your organization may reapply when all three of these things are true: (1) the full 18-month period after the grant award has passed, (2) the prior grant funds have been spent completely, and (3) the final report has been submitted online. Two to three months prior to the application deadline, email your regional program staff to schedule a pre-proposal call to discuss your next application.

8. Can my organization submit more than one proposal in the same cycle?

No, you may submit only one request per organization (based on the EIN) in a single cycle.

9. May I apply in more than one region or category of giving at a time?

No, an organization must pick only one category of giving in only one region for its proposal.

10. What does the Foundation mean when it says, “at least 50% of participants must be in a King Foundation county”?

At least half of the people served by your program must live in one or more King Foundation counties.

11. My organization is a chapter/affiliate of another organization (state, national, or other umbrella organization), and we each have a unique EIN. May the chapter/affiliate and the organization apply at the same time? May two chapters/affiliates with different EINs apply at the same time?

Generally, the board will only review proposals from these types of related organizations in the same cycle when they have different EINs and they serve different populations. Even then, coordinate with your peer organizations, departments, and schools (for universities).

12. Do you fund year-round programs, one-time programs, and projects that span longer than the 12-month grant implementation period?

Yes, all of those are eligible in the Community Grant cycles.

13. Does the Foundation make capital grants?

Yes, but capital grants are not a large part of the Foundation’s portfolio. Please call your regional program staff to discuss capital grant requests.

14. Does the Foundation make grants solely for general operations?

No, the Foundation only makes program/project or capital grants. However, for program/project proposals, the Foundation allows agencies to include in their program/project budget an extra line item for 10%-20% of indirect agency costs, sometimes called “Administrative Costs” or “Shared Services.”



15. What types of things does the Foundation not fund?

The Foundation's 13 Grant Exclusions can be found [here](#). Scroll to find the Grant Exclusions section.

16. How much funding is included in King Foundation's Community Grants?

The average grant size is \$30,000. Grants range from \$15,000 to \$50,000.

17. Does the Foundation make partial grants when it cannot fund the entire request?

Yes. Partial funding is possible. However, we recommend requesting no more than half your project budget. The Foundation rarely makes grants for the entire project budget and only for very small organizations when a program grant is functionally similar to an operating grant.

18. What are the Foundation's expectations for data collection, evidence-based program models, and reliable outcome measures?

The Foundation asks how your organization knows that it is successful. Providing your outputs and outcomes (if available) and what tools you use to measure these is recommended in the Goals question and required in the Objectives question on the Application form.

19. Will my agency receive a site visit, and how do I prepare for that?

Not every applicant will receive a site visit. After the initial review, the Foundation will identify applications that will move forward for deeper review. Likely, the Foundation's program staff will contact those organizations to schedule a site visit.

20. If an organization does not have an official office, what do you suggest as a place for a site visit?

The Foundation prefers to see a program in action at a site visit. If that is not possible for programmatic or scheduling reasons, your program staff can advise about the type of site visit they need to conduct the level of due diligence that the Foundation board requires.

21. May I talk with staff about my proposal ideas before applying?

Yes, but please fully read the [website](#) and complete the Eligibility Quiz first. If you still have questions, you may contact Grants Administrator [Amie Anderson](#) about basic eligibility and technical difficulties, and you may contact your regional Program Officer to discuss additional proposal questions. To schedule a Program Officer call, please email [Dr. Joyvin Benton](#) for Arkansas or [Amanda Finney](#) for North Texas, and [Bridgette Meyers](#) for West Texas.

PRO TIP: If you received funding in the past, it helps to have your grant report turned in before a pre-proposal call.



22. What is the difference between Initiative Grants and Community Grants?

Both **Community Grants** and the **Initiative Grants** must meet the Foundation's geographic and category requirements for the region in which you are applying. The website identifies the three **geographic regions** that may receive King Foundation support: Arkansas Delta, North Texas, and West Texas. Only the counties listed on the website in the three regions are eligible for support. Under each region, the Foundation has five **general category descriptions**, including Aging Population; Arts, Culture, and History; Children and Youth, Economic Mobility; and Education. Under each general category description, the Foundation includes **specific category descriptions**, which apply to one or more regions.

Community Grants are offered twice a year in a Spring Cycle and a Fall Cycle, focusing on programmatic support. Your request must meet the general and specific category descriptions for the geographic region of the program in your application. Community Grant requests must be between \$15,000 and \$50,000. If you have a Community Grant to propose, please contact your regional program staff.

Initiative Grants are more strategic and are reviewed separately from the Community Grant cycles. These grants are focused on efforts that create broader, system-level impact or strengthen the nonprofit ecosystem. Initiative Grants may support strategies such as issue-based capacity building, nonprofit capacity building through cohort-based approaches, localized research and narrative development, funder collaboratives, coordinated investment strategies, capital needs, or other strategic opportunities aligned with the Foundation's geographic and category priorities. Typically, Initiative Grant requests range from \$50,000 to \$250,000. If you have an Initiative Grant to propose, please contact your regional program staff.

23. Does the King Foundation prefer to fund new programs or existing programs? Are new nonprofits eligible?

The Foundation does not typically fund startup organizations.

The Foundation typically funds existing programs. In Arkansas and West Texas, the Foundation may consider programs that are new, but in North Texas, programs need to have one to three years of strong outcomes and recognized measurement tools before applying.

24. Do program staff meet with community organizations between cycles?

Yes, program staff will meet with community organizations between cycles, as their time allows, which may vary per region and staff. Please contact your regional program staff to discuss your program if you would like the Foundation to visit your organization.