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Services for the Older Adults iFund 2023 Grant Application Guidelines and Information

Deadlines

Mon., Sept. 12, 2023

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Fri., Sept. 29, 2023

Fri., Oct. 6, 2023

End of Nov. 2023

Grant Information Meeting at OCCF

Interested Applicants may begin emailing Letters of Interest

Deadline for emailed Letters of Interest

Grant Application Deadline

Notification of funding decision

All deadlines are by 5:00 pm of the date listed. No exceptions.

The Services for Older Adults iFund program was designed to support organizations that provide direct services to the elderly (65+ years) which enable seniors to live independently in their home. Other services for older adults include activities that promote wellness and recreational opportunities, thus encouraging health and reducing social isolation. Programs must provide services to seniors who would not otherwise have access. **Direct Health Care services are not eligible under this iFund program. Please see our Access to Health Care iFund grant guidelines at www.ifundokc.org.**

Eligible program will offer one or more of the following:

- **Support independent living:** Programming that provides services which enable older adults to live independently, outside of institutional settings, and address specific needs that allow independent living in their home to continue.
- **Wellness services:** Programming that provides wellness and physical activity opportunities that encourage improved health for older adults, specifically those who are living independently.
- **Social and recreational services:** Programming that provides positive social and recreational opportunities for older adults who are otherwise isolated or unable to participate in community programs.

Preference will be given to:

- Programs that leverage resources and that demonstrate collaboration between two or more organizations
- Programs with proven success or those most likely to achieve the goals of the program with an identified population.

Grants may be awarded in the range of \$5,000 - \$20,000. Programs may be new, continuing, or existing. Previous grantees may reapply for additional funding if the program successfully achieved its goals.

Grants will not be made to programs that require a membership or entry fee. Grants will not be made for capital campaigns, fund-raising events, research programs, vehicle purchase, clinical equipment, or facility construction. Support for administrative needs such as occupancy, communications, computer equipment or programming, websites, supervision, and overhead are rarely funded.

Monday, February 06, 2023

Service Area: Oklahoma, Cleveland, and Canadian Counties

Grant Requirements

- The applicant organization must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.
- The applicant organization must be able to provide at least three years of financial statements.
- Programs must serve adults aged 65 and older, and activities must be in-person.
- Programs must provide **direct services** in central Oklahoma.
- Organizations must have a governing board located in central Oklahoma.
- Grants will not be made to individuals or private foundations.

Step 1: Information Meeting

All interested applicants are strongly encouraged to attend an informational meeting. The information meeting is an opportunity for potential applicants to learn about the Services for Older Adults iFund program and to ask questions. This meeting is not required but **strongly** encouraged.

Application Process

Step 2: Email a letter of interest to ifund@occf.org and request access to apply. The letter should include the following:

- Applicant name, organization's name, and contact information.
- Briefly describe the program.
- Briefly describe the target population and how it was selected.
- What is the timing of the program?
- Where will the program take place?
- What is the expected budget amount for the program?

Step 3: If approved to apply, the applicant will receive an email including a web address and access information for the online application system.

The application will require a description of the specific program and services for which funding support is requested, documentation of the need in the community, and an itemized budget clearly showing how OCCF funding will be allocated. Selected organizational financial information will be required. Individuals completing an application must be a staff member or member of the governing board and may not be a contracted grant writer.

Grant Notification

The grant application will be reviewed by a committee of community members, and recommendations for approval will be submitted to the board of Trustees. Applicants will be notified of a decision following the trustee meeting.

Reporting

Awarded grantees will be required to participate in a mid-term check-in with the OCCF Program Manager and submit a final report with evaluation results via the online platform.

Questions & Clarifications

Potential applicants are welcome to address questions or concerns by emailing ifund@occf.org with the subject line "iFund Services for Older Adults." Replies will be provided in a timely manner during the work week (excluding holidays). Questions will not be answered after the deadline. To ensure a fair process, OCCF staff will not hold meetings with potential applicants.