

Community Foundation of Central Missouri Impact Grant Process and Guidelines 2018

Impact Grants allow the Community Foundation of Central Missouri (CFCM) to have a greater effect in the mid-Missouri area with a more significant allocation, specifically, one \$5,000 award.

- The Impact Grant is a new category that partners CFCM with an agency to address an issue in a more significant way.
- In the 2018 granting process, the Impact Grant award will center on one of CFCM's priority areas: human capacity development, especially for disadvantaged persons.
- Projects proposed might focus on equal opportunity, poverty reduction, education and literacy, affordable housing, workforce training, diversity training, and other similar efforts.
- In the future, the area of focus for the Impact Grant may change.
- Eligible applicant organizations must hold 501(c)(3) status and must have their main office and provide services in central Missouri.
- Applicant organizations must also have been operational for at least five years.
- Applicant agencies will first submit a one-page letter of intent with the basics of their proposed project.
- The CFCM Grants Committee will select two to three organizations to submit a full application to be reviewed and voted upon, with the CFCM Board of Directors making final approval.
- So not to leave agencies out of any/all grant opportunities, applications may be submitted for both the Community Support Grant category and the Impact Grant. That way, the agencies seeking an Impact Grant and are unsuccessful, might have another chance to receive CFCM grant funds.

Guidelines for Submitting an Impact Grant Letter of Intent

- In bulleted form, include the following items in the order listed:
 - title of project
 - specific focus of the project, including a basic description of the issue you seek to address
 - intended program/project beneficiaries or audience
 - succinct description of program/service to be delivered
 - intended outcome
- Do this in one page maximum, using Times New Roman 12-point font, 1-inch margins, and 1.5 line spacing. If a second page is submitted, it will not be considered.
- Include a cover letter, on agency letterhead, that is signed by the agency's executive director.
- Impact Grant letters of intent must be submitted in hard copy—currently, there is no electronic form for this application.

- Mail your Impact Grant letter of intent to Community Foundation of Central Missouri, Impact Grant, P.O. Box 6015, Columbia, MO, 65205, and postmarked no later than Friday, August 31. If you wish to hand-deliver your letter, you must do so by 5 PM on Friday, August 31. The physical address is 1 S. 7th St., Columbia, MO, 65201. Late submissions will not be accepted.