

## **Jewish Community Foundation Legacy Fund Innovation/Emergency Cycle FAQ**

### **1. What is the Community Legacy Fund (CLF) and what are its goals?**

The Community Legacy Fund is comprised of unrestricted permanent endowments contributed to the Foundation. Grants are awarded from the Community Legacy Fund after review and evaluation by the Foundation's Grants Committee and approval by the Board of Trustees.

The goal of the Community Legacy Fund is to provide for a robust, vibrant Kansas City Jewish community. Funds may be used for, but are not limited to: safety net services, Jewish education, community relations, and cultural arts.

### **2. What is the timeline for the Innovation/Emergency Cycle**

Application Deadline: Monday, October 15, 2018

Potential Meeting with Grants Committee: November 2018

Notification: Friday, December 28, 2018

### **3. What types of programs will you fund?**

This funding opportunity is meant to provide financial support for:

- Seed programs to respond to unmet community needs within the Service Area. Funding will support high quality, new programs that provide an innovative approach or solution to an existing or emerging community need; or
- Programs that respond to humanitarian emergencies within or beyond the Service Area. These grants are meant to provide support for extraordinary crises.

### **4. How will my application be evaluated?**

Applications will be evaluated on a variety of factors including but not limited to:

- How well does the program match the Community Legacy Fund goals?
- How closely does the innovation tie to a strategic assessment of your agency and its programming?
- How well does the program match the community's needs?
- How well does this application articulate the proposed program and its capacity to effect change? How will you measure those changes?
- What other resources will be needed? Will Legacy dollars make a significant impact on the applicant's ability to launch a program? Are other partners needed? If so, does the applicant have the capacity to raise sufficient resources?

### **5. What type of organization can apply for a grant?**

Applicants for Innovation/Emerging/Emergency grants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Must be located within the Service Area (see 6 below);

- Must serve the Jewish community or be an agency that self-identifies as a Jewish communal organization which maintains the quality of Jewish life and/or promotes the pursuit of tikkun olam (repairing the world). Houses of worship are excluded.
- Must be qualified as tax-exempt under section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended (the “Code”)
- Must have missions compatible with the Jewish Community Foundation

An agency that does not meet the criteria above may submit an application only for a program produced in formal collaboration with a qualified organization, as outlined above, as demonstrated by a letter of support by the qualified partner

#### 6. What geographic area will you support?

The Service Area is restricted to Kansas City and neighboring Jewish communities. This includes Manhattan, Kansas to the west, St. Joseph, Missouri to the north, Columbia, Missouri to the east and Joplin, Missouri to the south.

If an organization’s national office is not located in Kansas City, but has a Kansas City affiliate which is within the service area and which directly serves this geographic area, that organization may apply, but grant dollars will be restricted for use solely within the Kansas City area.

Support for Innovation applications is restricted to the Service Area above. Support for humanitarian emergencies may be given within the Service Area or beyond.

#### 7. Where do I find the application form? How do I apply?

- Applicants must contact the Director of Funder Services and Education at the Jewish Community Foundation prior to applying at [bfine@jcfkc.org](mailto:bfine@jcfkc.org) or 913-327-4618. If contact is not made prior to submission, the application may not be reviewed.
- You may download the grant application form and budget form here.  
[https://www.jcfkc.org/file\\_download/inline/0ec4d4e6-ab1e-40fb-9a5f-d6c1c2486af3](https://www.jcfkc.org/file_download/inline/0ec4d4e6-ab1e-40fb-9a5f-d6c1c2486af3).
- Applications must be submitted electronically to *both* [astarks@jcfkc.org](mailto:astarks@jcfkc.org) and [bfine@jcfkc.org](mailto:bfine@jcfkc.org) by Monday, October 15, 2018.

#### 8. For what size grant can I apply?

Applicants may apply for up to 100% of the amount available to grant for this category each year. This calculation will be posted annually by February 1. **The total amount for 2018 is \$69,000.**

Successful applicants are allowed to apply for the same innovative program, limited to three times total.

Grants in this cycle will not affect eligibility or amount available in core cycle.

#### 9. Is there anything that is not eligible for funding?

As in the past, Community Legacy Fund dollars may not be used to support:

1. Capital campaigns
2. Fund-raising events/campaigns

3. Endowment, reserves, or other saving programs

**10. How do I recognize the Community Legacy Fund in my publicity?**

More details about this will be shared in the award letter that will accompany your check and information may also be found at [jcfkc.org/acknowledgment](http://jcfkc.org/acknowledgment).