



GRANT REQUIREMENTS

The grantmaking philosophy of the Women's Foundation of Mississippi is to effect social change through efforts that address the roots of a social problem and/or explore new approaches to solving an issue. We are interested in funding efforts that create lasting change in our communities and our state.

STEP 1:

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A GRANT FROM WFM YOUR ORGANIZATION MUST MEET ALL THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

1. Your organization must have 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status; or must be a governmental, educational or research institution with tax-exempt status.
2. Your grant proposal must be for a program based in Mississippi that impacts women and girls.

STEP 2:

SUBMIT AN ONLINE LETTER OF INTENT (LOI)

The LOI should include the following items:

1. A cover letter documenting your organization's eligibility, including organizational name, address, director, tax ID number (EIN) and brief description of current services and population served
2. Title of the program for which your organization is requesting funds and whether the program is new, existing, or a modification of an existing program
3. Geographic service area
4. Target population (i.e. youth, parents, teachers, etc)
5. Proposed activities (Brief and concise description) – Please designate which focus area(s)
6. Plan to engage key stakeholder/community partners in the program
7. Timeline
8. Proposed budget

STEP 3:

SUBMIT A FULL PROPOSAL.

If your LOI is approved, you will be invited to submit a full proposal.

To begin the **2018** Grant Application process, please [click here](#).

Quick tutorial resources for the application system are available here: [PDF](#) or [Video](#)

IMPORTANT NOTES:

Women's Foundation of Mississippi only accepts applications via its online application system. This automation includes all stages of the application process: Letters of Inquiry, full applications, grant agreements, and follow-up grant reports. We no longer process paper copies of these documents.

*All deadlines are firm. **Letters of Intent** and/or proposals submitted after their respective deadlines will not be accepted. All organizations interested in applying should review this information carefully to ensure they meet the Foundation's guidelines prior to submitting an application.*

IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH 22: WFM hosts an interest webinar for potential applicants

APRIL 16: Organizations submit **Letters of Intent** (LOIs) based on WFM's guidelines

APRIL 30: Based on LOI submissions, organizations are invited to submit full proposals

MAY 31: Full proposal applications due to WFM

JUNE 11 – AUGUST 17: Proposal reviews and site visits

OCTOBER 1: Official notifications to organizations

We encourage communication throughout the application and grantmaking and process. Please feel free to contact us any time. Applicants who talk to us about their grant proposal are much more likely to be successful. Please call Latisha at 601-326-3002 or send an email to latisha@womensfoundationms.org.