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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT APPLYING FOR A GRANT FROM THE WOMEN'S COMMUNITY FUND

What was funded in the past?

In 2009, the following projects were funded:

- **Agape Resource Center:** To support food pantry and clothing closet programs that assist individuals who cannot afford basic essentials based on their income.
- **Peace Connections:** Scholarships for adult caregiver meals, a new component to their summer meal program.
- **Meals on Wheels:** Providing nutritious meals for those 60 and over and homebound due to illness and disability.
- **Harvey County Domestic Violence / Sexual Assault Task Force:** Supporting outreach services. This organization serves those who are survivor/victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.
- **St Matthews Representative Payee Program:** Replenish client needs fund which assists with emergency expenses such as food and utility bills.
- **Harvey County Homeless Shelter:** Support to residents with basic physical and mental health care needs.
- **Health Ministries:** Diagnostic testing to low income families and uninsured females.

You may obtain a complete list of projects funded in the past by emailing Sandi Fruit at sandi@ckcf.net.

Do you truly consider operating expenses?

Yes, we will consider these as long as the agency shows that the request meets one of the 3 criteria: Urgency to address a critical need, excitement because it is a bold new venture, or creativity in providing new solutions to age-old problems.

Does the application have to be typed? Can it be handwritten? Can it be retyped by computer?

The WCF grants committee is more interested in the project and the agency than in the specific presentation of the application. It is okay for it to be neatly handwritten or typed onto the application provided. You may also retype the application into a new document and fill it out by computer as long as you try to stay as true to the format of the application as possible and it still fits on only 2 one sided pages (excluding cover page) without changing the font and/or spacing to be very small and unreadable. Also, please ***do not*** type additional information on the cover page. For your convenience an electronic form type application is posted on the Central Kansas Community Foundation website, www.ckcf.net.

Do you try to select new agencies for grants from year to year?

The WCF grants committee and members look at every application each year. We do not choose or rule out an agency because of previous funding that it has received or not received. We are looking for projects and organizations that address the criteria on the application.

What amounts do you actually end up funding?

WCF will consider funding any amount up to \$5,000 if we feel that the project meets the criteria and the agency demonstrates specifically how the funds will be used to accomplish the project. In the past, we have awarded grants in amounts ranging from \$500 - \$5000.

Our agency has applied 5 times for a grant from WCF and has not been funded. What are we doing wrong?

Don't feel like you are doing something wrong because you have not received funding in the past. Several applications are received for WCF grants each year. Unfortunately, some very worthwhile causes and projects have not gotten funded simply because there have been so many wonderful projects that have applied. Furthermore, WCF members commit to a donation on an annual basis, meaning that the amount of money available to fund requests fluctuates from year to year. Please keep trying!

Our agency would like to include a brochure or annual report with our application. May we do so?

In the interest of keeping the grant making process fair to all agencies, the WCF grants committee requests that you include only the three page application and proof of 501 (c) (3) status. Please do not include any attachments or cover letters. We also ask that your application **NOT** be bound or placed in a report cover. You may staple the application and 501 (c) (3) documentation if you wish.