



## 2019 NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP GRANTS

### Introduction

United Way of Central Ohio, The Columbus Foundation, and PNC are pleased to announce the 2019 Neighborhood Partnership Grants Program (NPG). The intent of the program is to support Franklin County residents engaging in community building activities that strengthen the fabric of local neighborhoods.

### Eligibility

- Applicants must partner with a 501(c)(3) registered agency that will act as the fiscal agent during the grant period.
- Projects should be designed and implemented by multi-person resident groups.
- Two (2) proposals are permitted per applying group. Applicants must demonstrate capacity to execute both projects in the event that both proposals are awarded funding. Both applications will need to be submitted at the same time.
- The maximum amount of each grant is \$10,000 annually.
- Prior-year grant recipients may apply for continued funding for a multi-year project, but this is not *guaranteed*. Applicants seeking continued funding for a project must re-apply each year and are required to demonstrate positive measurable outcomes and meet stated objectives detailed in prior-year funding agreements.
- Neighborhood Partnership Grant funds can constitute **no more than 75%** of the total project budget. Proposals must detail the source(s) of the remaining 25%, whether in-kind donations/services or monetary resources.

### Project Types

Proposed projects for grants will need to focus on resident driven community building programs or projects. Below are examples of the types of projects that qualify for Neighborhood Partnership Grants. This list should be used as a guide. Proposed projects are not limited to these examples:

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| • Neighborhood beautification           | • Youth services          | • Anti-graffiti                |
| • Festivals and neighborhood activities | • Leadership development  | • Neighborhood safety programs |
| • Public events                         | • Clean and safe programs | • Gateway signage              |
| • Neighborhood art projects             | • Senior citizen support  | • Neighborhood gardens         |

### Important Dates and Deadlines:

The link to the application will be available starting **Monday, January 28, 2019**  
<https://liveunitedcentralohio.org/neighborhood-partnership-center/>

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 by 11:59 p.m.**

- Applicants will be notified by email when their proposal have been successfully submitted.
- Grant announcements will be made in April 2019.
- Grant funds will be issued in June 2019.

### The Application Process

Applying for a Neighborhood Partnership Grant is an online process. Applications can be saved and continued at a later date before submitting.

- Applications can be accessed through United Way of Central Ohio's website <https://liveunitedcentralohio.org/neighborhood-partnership-center/>. This page includes a direct link to the online application, and other supporting materials, including a FAQ information sheet.
- If your agency or organization is using a Fiscal Agent, you will need to send an email request to receive a username and password to [tina.starner@uwcentralohio.org](mailto:tina.starner@uwcentralohio.org). In the subject line of the email you will need

to type 2019 NPG application. Please include Agency or Organization Name, first and last name, and email of the primary program contact. You will receive an email response listing your user name and temporary password.

- If your agency or organization already has an EIN number, you can proceed to the application website at <https://agency.e-cimpact.com/login.aspx?org=37145F>. You will then set up your own username and password.
- Once you have logged in to the e-CImpact website click on the NPG Application link under Neighborhood Partnership Grants / 2019 NPG.

### **Proposal Requirements:**

- **Applying Group and Organization Information:** organization and project name, project leader name, mailing address, email, phone number, (The project leader is the person overseeing the grant- funded project).
- **Fiscal Agent 501(c)(3) Information:** organization name, EIN number, executive director, mailing address, email address, telephone number.
- Amount of grant funding being requested (\$).
- A list of previous funding received from United Way of Central Ohio and/or The Columbus Foundation.
- If requesting funding for an ongoing project or event previously funded through the NPG program, applicants must document the outcomes achieved to date. Please note: *To remain eligible for funding consideration, final reporting forms must be submitted for all prior-year projects, unless other arrangements are documented with United Way of Central Ohio.*
- One Letter of Support from a collaborator/partner involved in the proposed project including organizations, churches, business groups, and/or individuals, describing their level of participation in the project.
- A complete budget and narrative form.
- Applicants are required to provide their fiscal agent IRS Letter of Designation to confirm 501(c)(3) status. A signed authorization letter from the senior leadership of the fiscal organization, along with that organization's IRS Letter of Designation is required with the application.
- If using a Fiscal Agent, you must submit a Fiscal Agent Authorization Letter.

### **The following is a preview of some questions to consider for the proposal:**

- Describe the conditions or characteristics of the area or neighborhood the project will serve, including the name of the neighborhood along with street boundaries.
- Describe your project. Be careful to explain WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, and HOW. Describe how residents are involved in the project.
- What impact will this project have on the neighborhood? How will you measure the success of the project?
- List the collaborators or partners involved in the proposed project. Indicate their specific contributions and whether they represent support from within the community or from outside the community.
- Timeline – List the key activities, events, or milestones as they relate to project planning and execution.

### **NPG Information Sessions**

Information sessions will be offered in February. They will include an overview of the application process, program guidelines, and an opportunity for applicants to ask questions. These sessions will be held at the United Way of Central Ohio, [360 S. Third Street, Columbus, OH 43215](#).

- Information session dates will be offered in February. Please check our website <https://liveunitedcentralohio.org/neighborhood-partnership-center/> for dates.

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** to attend the information sessions. Please contact Tina Starner (contact info below) to register.

### **NEED HELP?**

**If you have any questions, please contact:**

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