

Fundraiser Support Program

Questions From Applicants

How much money can my organization request?

This funding is meant to support organizations with a donation of up to \$1,500.

How do I know if my organization is in alignment with Missouri Foundation for Health mission and values?

MFH focuses on enhancing health for all Missourians. We prioritize funding for organizations committed to decreasing barriers that prevent Missourians from living their healthiest lives. As part of our application process, applicants are also required to affirm that they do not/not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or veteran status.

What is a fiscal sponsor, and how do I know if I need one?

A fiscal sponsor is an established organization that offers its legal and tax-exempt status to groups or projects that do not have such status. It allows unincorporated groups or projects not recognized as 501(c)(3) entities to receive donations and grants they otherwise wouldn't qualify for. The fiscal sponsor handles some administrative tasks and usually charges a small fee.

If you are a new organization or do not possess tax-exempt status from the IRS, you will need a fiscal sponsor.

Are online fundraising campaigns, day or week-long capital campaigns, or donor drives eligible for support?

No, this program is intended to support a one-time event held at a specific physical location, date, and time.

Does this application process make me eligible for similar funding in the future?

No. Each funding application is reviewed individually. Approval for this or other funding is not an indicator of future funding support or eligibility.

What can the funds be used for?

The funds are intended as a general contribution to the fundraiser event and are not designated for specific purchases or items.

If an organization has one main office but also regional affiliates, can each affiliate apply, or is it limited to one approved application per year for the main location?

It is based on the EIN tax exempt number. If each location has its own EIN, they can each apply, otherwise it is once per year only for the main organization. If regional affiliates have unique EIN numbers, then each affiliate may apply. If the EIN numbers are the same for each affiliate, then only one application per fiscal year will be accepted.

Is it one event per calendar year (January-December), or a rolling 12-month period?

It is based on the calendar year.

How long will it take to be notified if my application is approved?

Applicants will be notified within three to four weeks of submitting their application. If no tickets are included with the request, the response time may be shorter.

When should we expect payment?

Payment should be received within three to four weeks after receiving the approval email.

Do we have to include tickets to be supported?

No, tickets to the event are not a requirement for support.

If we include tickets in our request, how and when will we be notified about who will be using them?

MFH staff will gather the names of guests and notify the applicant organization via email within two to three weeks of receiving the application. Unused tickets will be returned to the organization for resale.

How do we calculate the fair market value amount?

Determine the cost per ticket by adding up the expenses for food, drinks, entertainment, etc., included in the ticket, then multiply by the number of tickets provided.

Can we use MFH's logos on promotional materials?

Yes. When your application is approved, you will receive an email that contains our [logo usage guidelines](#). Our logo can only be used on your specific event marketing materials. If you have a question about what materials/items our logo can be used on, please do not hesitate to reach out.