COVID-19 Applications Open

Rapid Grants for
Innovative and Emergency Response Grant Opportunities

For over 60 years, the Foellinger Foundation has provided grants to Allen County nonprofit organizations that strengthen organizations serving children and families – particularly those with the greatest economic need and the least opportunity. These organizations meet the Foundation’s strategic intent criteria of mission-driven, well-governed, and results-oriented.

It is with this tradition of “Investing in Excellence” in mind and a sense of responsibility to those who work on the ground every day providing vital services, that Foellinger Foundation announces applications are being accepted for Rapid Grants.

Foellinger Foundation is inviting qualified organizations to submit requests for an Innovative Rapid Grant (up to $25,000/each) OR an Emergency Response Rapid Grant (up to $5,000/each). The available amount of funding is $75,000 for Innovative Rapid Grants and $100,000 for Emergency Response Rapid Grants.

*Organizations may only submit one Rapid Grant request*

Innovative funding is targeted for those ideas that are bold and provide an “out-of-the-box” way to address issues arising from COVID-19.

Emergency response funding may be used to support a variety of needs, such as (but not limited to):

- Purchasing additional cleaning or other supplies
- Resources to help respond to community needs
- Addressing workforce needs
- Other operational needs

Foellinger Foundation Rapid Grants are designed to be flexible in nature; we are open to reviewing an innovative response OR an emergency response that organizations deem to be critical to their ability to provide services.

As with all requests for support, there is no guarantee of funding.
Application Materials and Online System

Please use Foellinger’s “Rapid Grant” applications (Innovative OR Emergency Response) found on the Foundation’s website to submit your request (www.foellinger.org/covid19).

*Applications must be submitted via email (not through the portal)*

Foellinger Foundation will review Rapid Grant requests using an expedited process. If funds are awarded to an organization, that organization will have a funding decision in 10 days from the submission of a *completed* application.

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Questions?

Please email your questions to info@foellinger.org. Please note that Foellinger staff are working remotely; email is the best way to correspond with us at this time.

Qualifications for Submission

- Organizations at least five years old (based on Internal Revenue Service ruling date).
- You must have a current letter from the Internal Revenue Service advising that your organization is tax-exempt under section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and that your organization is not a private foundation. Private foundations may not apply.
- Nonprofit headquarters must be located in Allen County.
- Organization must provide direct services to residents of Allen County.
- 50% or more of those served must live in Allen County.
- No funding may be used for capital expenditures.

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Request for Innovative Funding (up to $25,000/each)

Application Questions:

1. Organization name, address, and phone.
2. Executive director name, email, and contact number.
4. Amount requested and project budget.

5. Detailed description of how funding would be used.

6. Has your organization applied for any other emergency grants? Please provide the name of the funding entity and the amounts requested and/or received.

Attachment:

Copy of organization’s current letter from the Internal Revenue Service advising that your organization is tax-exempt under section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and that your organization is not a private foundation.

Request for Emergency Response Funding (up to $5,000/each)

Application Questions:

1. Organization name, address, and phone.

2. Executive director name, email, and contact number.


4. Amount requested.

5. Detailed description of how funding would be used.

6. Has your organization applied for any other emergency grants? Please provide the name of the funding entity and the amounts requested and/or received.

Attachment:

Copy of organization’s current letter from the Internal Revenue Service advising that your organization is tax-exempt under section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and that your organization is not a private foundation.

Organizations may submit only one Rapid Grant Request

Please send completed applications to Grants Manager Terry Stevens at:

terry@foellinger.org