Impact Fairfield County Announces 2023 $100,000 Grant Opportunity

Impact Fairfield County (Impact FFC) is pleased to announce a $100,000 grant opportunity for nonprofits that reach underserved populations and highlight unmet needs in Fairfield County. The Impact Fairfield County Grant will provide restricted funds to develop new programs; enhance, expand or strengthen existing programs; and/or improve organizational capacity that advances the nonprofit organization's core mission. These transformative grants are to support high impact initiatives, not to cover general operating expenses. Impact FFC will award one or two grants of $100,000 each, and the winner(s) will be determined by a vote of its membership on May 3, 2023.

To apply for an Impact Fairfield County Grant, organizations must be:

• Classified as a “public charity” with tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
• Operating in, serving residents of, and fully expending funds in Fairfield County, CT
• Targeting underserved populations
• In possession of three years of independently prepared, audited financial statements
• A new awardee -- not a recipient of an Impact FFC $100,000 Grant for at least 3 years

Applying starts with a Letter of Inquiry, which will be accepted online beginning Oct. 17, 2022 and will be due Nov. 11, 2022. Organizations may only submit one application each grant cycle.

Potential applicants are encouraged to attend an Applicant Information Session to be held on September 21, 2022 from 9:30am – 11:00am at Pequot Library in Southport. RSVP is required at www.impactffc.org/apply-now. Due to space constraints, we request that only one representative per organization attend. In addition, on October 12, 2022, Impact Fairfield County will be hosting an optional virtual Proposal Brainstorming Workshop. Nonprofits will be able to gain advice on potential proposal ideas from experienced Impact FFC members. Details and registration to be announced via our website at www.impactffc.org by mid-September.

All applicants are encouraged to review the Eligibility Criteria and Frequently Asked Questions at www.impactffc.org under ‘Apply For A Grant’ to determine whether both the organization and the project meet the criteria for an Impact Fairfield County Grant.

About Impact FFC: Impact FFC is a collective giving organization that engages women of Fairfield County, CT in local philanthropy on a deeper level. Collectively raising funds and empowering women to lead transformational solutions in its community, Impact FFC awards $100,000 grants annually to local nonprofits. Total funding is determined by the number of members who contribute $1,000 each toward the grants. Excess membership funds will be
divided among the non-winning finalists of the grant process for general operating support. Grant finalists are determined through a detailed process of proposal review and evaluation by members, and the grant recipients are chosen by a vote of membership at the Impact FFC Annual Meeting in May.

Please do not call or contact Impact FFC members, as all members are asked to maintain the confidentiality and integrity of the grant process. Questions about the grant process may only be sent to grants@impactffc.org. For press inquiries only, please contact PR@impactffc.org.