



## PROJECT PLAY WNY 2023 Summer Free Play Series Grant Information and Schedule

- This grant is specifically for joining the Project Play WNY Summer Free Play Series for 2023. The goal for the series is providing youth in all 8 counties of Western New York opportunities to play, have fun, and enjoy Free Play!
- Applications MUST be submitted electronically online. No paper, emailed, or pdf applications will be accepted. Outcome reporting will also be online when closing the grant.

### Eligibility

- Applicants must be in the 8 counties of Western New York:
  - Allegany
  - Cattaraugus
  - Chautauqua
  - Erie
  - Genesee
  - Niagara
  - Orleans
  - Wyoming
- Applicants must be serving youth (especially ages 5-14.)
- Applicants should fall into one of the following categories:
  - Qualified non-profit 501(c)(3)
  - Schools
  - Local governments and agencies

### Other Matters

- PPWNY requires that all programming take place during Summer 2023
- PPWNY requires that all grants be closed out within one year of the receipt of funds
- The failure of an applicant to properly close out a grant in a timely manner will be a factor when considering new grant applications.

### **Timeline**

Application opens online: March 13, 2023

Application deadline: April 14, 2023, at 4PM

*NOTE: Applications in draft form after the deadline will be considered abandoned and will not be eligible to be considered for funding.*

Decision notification: May 1, 2023

For grant-related and technical questions, please contact Ballin at 716-852-2857, x 253 or [jamesb@cfgb.org](mailto:jamesb@cfgb.org)

### **Grant Application Questions**

- Project name
- Amount requested

- Description of organization
- Date grant required
- Five-year history of prior grant requests to the Community Foundation
  - Previous requests, date submitted, and action (approved or denied) taken on each
- Financial background of organization including:
  - Annual operating expenses
  - Last fiscal year surplus/deficit
  - Accumulated surplus/deficit
  - Endowment market value

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

1. **Current Grantee of Ralph C Wilson Jr Foundation?**
2. **Weekly Programming**
  - Will there be a consistent day and time each week?
3. **Open Access**
  - Indicate the number of individuals to be served by the proposed project.
4. **Non-Traditional Sport Offerings**
  - Will there be options for youth to engage with non-traditional sport offering as an individual or as part of a group?
5. **Multi-generational Engagement**
  - Will there be opportunity for family members, care takers and guardians to engage with youth during free play?
6. **Accessibility**
  - Will the space and activities be accessible for youth of any ability?
7. **Culminating Event**
  - Will there be a culminating event which is open to the public to mark the end of the season?
8. **What will be done?**
  - What actions/activities are proposed to meet this need?
  - What are the distinctive features of your approach/program?
  - Is collaboration a part of this application? If yes, please detail.
  - What is the timetable?

## **PROJECT BUDGET**

- Provide a very specific complete budget breakdown, identifying costs of the individual items that constitute your funding request to the Foundation
- Budget narrative (optional)
- If PPWNY were only able to partially fund your request, can you proceed?
  - If yes, how would your programming be affected? Please detail.
- What investment is your organization making in this project?
- Other funding sources from whom funds have been requested and the status of these requests
- If ongoing, what are your plans for continuing funding?

## **CERTIFICATION OF GRANT ELIGIBILITY**

- Certification that the executive director and a board officer have approved submittal of the grant request and that all information provided is accurate
- Confirmation that organization has a Conflict of Interest policy in accordance with New York State Law
- List of all board members

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- Resumes or CVs of project personnel – required