

WNY Forward Fund's Improving Civic Health and Building Common Ground Initiative

Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo

IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER

- Utilize the Save Application button at the bottom of the form as you complete the application in order to prevent losing your work.
- Spaces count as characters.
- *You must stay within character limits at all times!* Character overages will prevent final submission of the application until this error is corrected.
- Work in one window or tab and on one computer at a time. Having the application open multiple places will prevent the application from saving properly.
- Please review the guidelines on the website before completing this application.
- Please make sure all information is correct *before submitting your application!* If you are having issues or have questions, please reach out before you submit.

Basic Information

Project name*

Please provide the funding category(ies) you are applying for (Rapid Response and/or Civic Infrastructure Building) below.

Character Limit: 100

Concise one sentence summary of request*

Character Limit: 300

Amount Requested for Year 1*

Character Limit: 20

Amount Requested for Year 2*

Character Limit: 20

What is your total operating budget for your most recently-completed fiscal year?*

Character Limit: 20

Select the county where your organization is primarily located.*

Choices

Allegany
Cattaraugus
Chautauqua
Erie
Genesee
Niagara
Orleans
Wyoming

Organization Status*

What status are you utilizing to submit this application?

Choices

Our organization is submitting as an independent 501c(3) organization.
Our organization is submitting through our fiscal sponsor.

Fiscal Sponsor

For the fiscal sponsor:

- This application should be submitted by the fiscal sponsor, using the fiscal sponsor's own Foundant account.
- The fiscal sponsor is formally considered the applicant. The sponsor is legally responsible for grant fulfillment, including any reporting.
- This section should be completed by the fiscal sponsor.

For the sponsored organization:

- All sections in the application, with the exception of this Fiscal Sponsor section, should be completed with the information for the sponsored organization.

Fiscal Sponsor Name*

Provide the name of the fiscal sponsor.

Character Limit: 250

Sponsored Project/Organization*

Provide the name of the sponsored project or organization.

Character Limit: 250

Relationship Description*

Briefly describe the nature of your relationship with the sponsored project/organization.

Character Limit: 1000

Application

Where does your organization operate?*

Choices

Allegany
Cattaraugus
Chautauqua
Erie
Genesee
Niagara
Orleans
Wyoming

Engagement and Activation History*

Please limit responses to 100 words or less.

Please briefly describe your organization's past and present key civic engagement/activation issues and initiatives.

Character Limit: 800

Proposed Initiatives and Focus Areas*

Please limit responses to 400 words or less.

Please provide a brief description of the following:

1. the issue area(s) that your organization will focus on with the support of these funds
2. engagement and activation approach(es)
3. target audience(s)
4. geographic focus
5. relevant partnerships and collaboration
6. aspirational objectives, and hoped for outcomes

Character Limit: 3200

Budget Request*

Please limit responses to 100 words or less.

Please provide a brief narrative of how the requested funds will support your organization's work to protect human rights and increase community voice by expanding access to democracy and decision makers.

Please note: funds will be distributed as general operating support. This information is requested to understand the general use of funds, such as cost centers and/or activities they would potentially support.

Character Limit: 800

Co-learning Network*

Please limit responses to 100 words or less.

Please comment on your willingness to participate in co-learning sessions with WNY Forward Fund grantees and funders, and any hoped for outcomes of these sessions.

Character Limit: 800

Certification

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Do you certify that the executive director and a board officer have approved of this grant request and that all information provided is accurate to the best of your knowledge?

Choices

Yes

No