

July 22, 2020

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS



Dear Not-for-Profit Organization:

The First Church Community Fund (FCCF) is now accepting 2020 grant proposals from not-for-profit community organizations. The income of the FCCF is used to support non-sectarian direct service and social action projects in the metropolitan St. Louis area. This fall the fund will be making its 32nd annual awards in micro-grants totaling approximately \$5000 with the average of individual grants in the \$400-\$500 range.

Evaluation of grant proposals will take into consideration level of need, effectiveness of the proposed response, service area and demographics, possibilities for financial leverage, involvement of community volunteers and visibility. Preference is given to smaller agencies/organizations directly providing services to clients. **We remain most interested in supporting programs or projects that address issues surrounding homelessness, poverty, and/or underserved populations in the greater St. Louis area.**

Proposals should include (in a maximum length of three (3) pages):

- Name of organization
- Address
- Telephone number
- Contact person, contact person's e-mail and organization's website URL
- Brief (one page or less) description including: how long the organization has existed, its mission or work, target population, geographic area and number of clients served annually
- Size of current staff (including number and role of volunteers)
- Need proposed grant will address and who will be served. (Please be specific regarding the estimated number of individuals to benefit from the proposed program or service)
- Amount of money requested
- How funds will be utilized and effectiveness of program/service evaluated (max. one page)
- Summary of most recent annual budget

Proposals must be received by **September 7, 2020** via either option below:

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