Overview of 2024 Grant Opportunities

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Community Engagement Department

Adrian Buckner
VP of Grants and
Community
Engagement/Chief
DEI Officer

Cathy Bollinger
Executive Director of
Embracing Aging
and
TroveStreet

Layla Boyce
Grants and
Scholarship Program
Manager

Jason Andrews
Grants Program
Manager

Chawna Griffith-Myers
Grants Administrative
Assistant

Grantee Eligibility

- Must be classified as a 501(c) (3) public charity under the Internal Revenue Code (this does not apply to government agencies or public-school districts). Individuals are not qualified applicants.

- Must be a 501(c) (3) for at least one year.

- Must provide services directly to York County.

- Must have submitted a satisfactory post grant report from all previous grants from YCCF before applying for a subsequent grant.

Grantee Eligibility

- Can only have one active grant per funding source.

- Must have a board approved Anti-Discrimination Policy.

- Must have a board approved DEI Policy.

Grants are NOT provided for:

- Endowments, budget shortfalls, debt retirement or association dues.
- Sectarian religious programs.
- Organizations with discriminatory employment or program practices.
- Any form of direct financial assistance to individuals.
- Reimbursement for programs or items purchased before grant is awarded.

If you have an open grant from YCCF, you must contact Jason Andrews before applying.

Quick Tips

- ✓ Documents you'll want to start gathering now

  - Audited financial statements OR current balance sheet and organization budget with income and expenditures

  - Board of Directors list, with affiliations

  - IRS 501(c)(3) letter

  - If a fiscal sponsor is needed, contact YCCF for more information

- ✓ Does your grant request fit the funding stream selected?

- ✓ Have someone else read your application. Is your story clear, compelling, and consistent?

Interim and Post Grant Reports

- Improve dialogue between MHF/FFYC/EA/REF/FOI and you: Short answers and one reflection field.

- May be 6-month check-in depending on your program (YCCF staff may request in-person/virtual meeting)

- Will be on Foundant (our grant management system)

- Post-grant reports will look similar, but longer

  - Compare projected versus actual data

  - One reflection field

  - Staff follow-up so we can learn with you

KEEP CALM AND CHECK IN

YCCF Grant Funds

No Flexibility 48%

More Flexibility

17%

27%

Most Flexibility 7%

Donor Advised Fund
Donor identifies charities to support

No grant application

Field of Interest Fund
Donor decides the focus area

Donor Designated Fund
Grant goes to same charity every year

Fund for York County
YCCF Board & Staff establish priorities

Volunteer committee decides how to award grants

Volunteer committee evaluates & recommends grants

Agency Endowment Fund
Started by a nonprofit & grant goes to them every year

Scholarship Fund
For education only

Students apply to the scholarship organization at their school district or on www.yccf.org in certain cases

After conversations with YCCF staff, nonprofits may be invited to apply

Competitive grant process
or
After conversations with YCCF staff, nonprofits may be invited to apply

Please find more information at https://yccf.org/for-grant-seekers/applicant-resources/ or call 717.848.3733

THRIVE Grants

- THRIVE Grants will focus on programs and collaboratives that transform lives and our community by helping low-income individuals build economic mobility.

- Grants are awarded to organizations or collaboratives that support our new strategic direction in creating new programs, expansion or continuation of existing programs, and planning and research.

THRIVE Grants

- **Focus:** Helping low-income individuals build economic mobility

  - Career Development
  - Child and Youth Development
  - Health
  - Housing
  - Transportation

FIVE TO THRIVE

How the Community Grant Reader Program Works

- Community grant readers will review and score grants. YCCF will start recruiting people who would like to participate. Scores will be combined, with highest-scoring grants being funded

- Mandatory training for readers

- Staff will review grant applications to ensure they are fundable; staff will not score grants

- Grants that are not selected may be funded by other YCCF committees

THRIVE Grants Up to $10,000

Prior to submitting an application, applicants must submit a Grant Inquiry Form which describes your program/project and provides other pieces of information to determine initial eligibility.

THRIVE Grants Up to $10,000

- Grants up to $10,000 (previously up to $6,000) will be reviewed, scored, and selected based upon the average score given by Community Grant Readers.

- Grant applications are significantly shorter

- Quicker turnaround, with only 10-12 weeks from cycle opening until grants are awarded

- Simplified interim report requirement

- Awarding up to $70,000 in 2024 ($35,000 per cycle)

THRIVE Grants Up to $10,000

Cycle One

Cycle Opens: February 1, 2024

Cycle Closes: March 1, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

April 19, 2024

*Program start date for first grant cycle must be May 1 or later.

Cycle Two

Cycle Opens: August 2, 2024

Cycle Closes: August 30, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

October 16, 2024

*Program start date for second grant cycle must be November 1 or later.

THRIVE Grants Over $10,000

Grants over $10,000 will be reviewed, scored, and selected by YCCF's Distribution Committee.

Prior to submitting an application, applicants must submit a Grant Inquiry Form which describes your program/project and provides other pieces of information to determine initial eligibility.

THRIVE Grants Over $10,000

Cycle One

Cycle Opens: January 8, 2024

Cycle Closes: January 29, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

March 14, 2024

*Program start date for first grant cycle must be March 15 or later.

Cycle Two

Cycle Opens: January 30, 2024

Cycle Closes: April 16, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

June 14, 2024

*Program start date for second grant cycle must be June 15 or later.

THRIVE Grants Over $10,000

Cycle Three

Cycle Opens: April 17, 2024

Cycle Closes: July 15, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

September 12, 2024

*Program start date for third grant cycle must be September 13 or later.

Cycle Four

Cycle Opens: July 16, 2024

Cycle Closes: October 7, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

December 12, 2024

*Program start date for fourth grant cycle must be December 13 or later.

THRIVE Application: Project Narrative

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Project Description:*

Please describe your project or program **in detail**. Descriptions should be specific to the project or program you are seeking funding for, and allow a reader who may not be familiar with the work to understand:

- What the project will do, and why
- Who the project is serving, and who is involved internally
- What the project's goals are, and how they will be achieved
- When activities will occur
- Where the project will take place
- Explanation of need

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Sustainability and Outcomes:*

In this section, please speak to your project's sustainability plan, as well as other items below as necessary. This may include:

- A sustainability plan - will you need to sustain this project or program over a period of time? If so, how do you intend to do so? If not, please explain why.
- Measurable data that will be tracked
- Further explanation of what success will look like, and how it will be evaluated (optional if covered in the above description)
- Any other outcomes you would like to speak to

THRIVE Application: Program Specifics

THRIVE Application: Program Metrics

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∨ Program Metrics: Transportation

Below, you will find questions asking for specific metrics related to your program. This data is for YCCF to track the impact of our grant funds. Please answer as many of the questions that pertain to your program as accurately as possible.

When applying, we ask that you provide your program's underlined estimated impact for each category. Your follow-up reporting will then ask you to provide the real data gathered while running the program; we require you track all of the metrics you provide estimates for, below, throughout the program.

If a question asks for a metric unrelated to your program, you may answer with the number zero.

Estimated Number of Individuals Served/Assisted through your Program (T):*
All applicants must answer this question.

`#` [   ]

Estimated Number of Individuals that purchased a vehicle:*

`#` [   ]

Estimated Number of Individuals with a vehicle six months after purchase:*

`#` [   ]

Estimated Number of individuals who received down payment, registration, or insurance assistance:*

`#` [   ]

THRIVE Application: Project Information

THRIVE Application: Program & Demographic Data/DEI

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Anti-Discrimination Policy:*

All applicants must have a formal, board-approved Anti-discrimination policy to be eligible for funding. Please enter your organization's policy below. If you do not have one, please explain why.

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Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Policy:*

All applicants must have a formal, board-approved DEI policy to be eligible for funding. Please enter your organization's policy below. If you do not have one, please explain why.

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THRIVE Application: Program & Demographic Data/DEI

Field of Interest Funds/Directed Funds

DIRECTED FUNDS
Empowering A Brighter York County

For Grant Seekers » Grant Programs » Directed Funds

Grants Directed by YCCF Staff

Field of Interest Funds (Typically $1,000-$5,000 available each year.)

For information about accessing the following funds, please contact Layla Boyce at lboyce@yccf.org

- Beautiful York Alive – To Downtown Inc. to pay for annual maintenance of York City planters.

- Downtown York Urban Landscapes

- Historic Monument Fund – For the City of York.

- Inspire Hope Fund – For West Manchester Township.

Racial Equity Fund

The Racial Equity Fund will offer grants up to $15,000 (larger requests may be considered on a case-by-case basis) for projects that seek to address equity gaps for communities of color in the following areas:

- Education and job readiness
- Criminal justice system
- Community leadership and development
- Income and wealth creation
- Racial and cultural education
- Health and wellness

Racial Equity Fund Grant Cycles

Cycle One

Cycle Opens: January 5, 2024

Cycle Closes: January 22, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:
March 14, 2024

*Program start date for first grant cycle must be March 15 or later.

Cycle Two

Cycle Opens: January 23, 2024

Cycle Closes: April 5, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:
June 14, 2024

*Program start date for second grant cycle must be June 15 or later.

Racial Equity Fund Grant Cycles

Cycle Three

Cycle Opens: April 8, 2024

Cycle Closes: July 5, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:
September 12, 2024

*Program start date for third grant cycle must be September 13 or later.

Cycle Four

Cycle Opens: July 8, 2024

Cycle Closes: September 13, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:
December 12, 2024

*Program start date for fourth grant cycle must be December 13 or later.

Memorial Health Fund

Improve the complete physical, mental, and social well-being of the residents of York, PA.

Memorial Health Fund is a supporting organization of York County Community Foundation.

MHF's Board administers all grant-making decisions. Its work is supported by YCCF; Adrian Buckner serves as our MHF point of contact.

Memorial Health Fund Grants

- Improve overall community health

- Provide resources for the restoration and maintenance of health

- Bring high-quality health care services to York County

- Promote general health and wellness of persons in the greater York area

- Promote health education

- Engage in fundraising and related activities or programs

- Engage in other activities directly or indirectly including making grants to other nonprofit organizations to enable them to carry out these activities.

Memorial Health Fund Grant Cycles

Cycle One

Cycle Opens: January 9, 2024

Cycle Closes: February 6, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

March 20, 2024

***Program start date for
  first grant cycle must be March 21
  or later.**

Cycle Two

Cycle Opens: February 7, 2024

Cycle Closes: April 22, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

June 5, 2024

***Program start date for
  second grant cycle must be June 6
  or later.**

Memorial Health Fund Grant Cycles

Cycle Three

Cycle Opens: April 23, 2024

Cycle Closes: July 19, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

September 4, 2024

***Program start date
for third grant cycle must be
September 5 or later.**

Cycle Four

Cycle Opens: July 22, 2024

Cycle Closes: September 20, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

November 6, 2024

***Program start date
for fourth grant cycle must be
November 7 or later.**

Embracing Aging Grants Up to $10,000 (Community Grants)

- **Focus**: Improving quality of life for people age 50+ in York County
- Awarding **up to $80K** in 2024
- Read and scored by trained community volunteers; staff vetted
- Grants awarded for creating new programs, expansion or continuation of existing programs, and planning and research
- Program end date is not to exceed 1 year from program start date
- Applicants are required to complete a Grant Inquiry Form that provides an overview of your program idea *before* applying for a Community Grant. Contact Chawna Griffith-Myers (cgriffith@yccf.org) for more information.

Embracing Aging Grants Up to $10,000 (Community Grants)

Cycle One

Cycle Opens: February 1, 2024

Cycle Closes: March 1, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

April 19, 2024

***Program start date
for first grant cycle must be May 1
or later.**

Cycle Two

Cycle Opens: August 2, 2024

Cycle Closes: August 30, 2024

Anticipated Decision Date:

October 16, 2024

***Program start date
for second grant cycle must be
November 1 or later.**

Embracing Aging Grants Over $10,000

- Throughout the year, Embracing Aging will entertain grants requests over $10,000

- These applications are read, scored, and discussed by members of the Embracing Aging Distribution Committee

- No Letter of Intent needed (as in 2023)

- If interested in applying for an Embracing Aging grant over $10,000, grantee must meet with Cathy Bollinger, Executive Director of Embracing Aging and TroveStreet *before* applying

Grant No.

GRANT AGREEMENT CONTRACT

By signing this agreement, York County Community Foundation ("Community Foundation") acknowledges that it will make the grant described below ("Grant") to the named grantee organization ("Grantee"), for the purposes described in the Grantee's proposal, and subject to the conditions of this Agreement.

Grantee:

Date Authorized: *This is the date that the grant is approved by YCCF staff and/or Board*

Grant Program/Project Title:
Grant Program/Project Description:

Grant Amount:
Source of Funds:

Program/Project Period: *Please schedule program start date so that it adheres to YCCF guidelines*
Program/Project Expenditure Start Date:
Expected Program/Project Completion Date:

Contract Review

GRANT CONDITIONS:

- **CHARITABLE PURPOSE**

Grant funds provided by the Community Foundation to the Grantee will be expended only for charitable purposes that benefit the community it serves.

Funds provided to the Grantee may not be used for any political campaign or for efforts to influence legislation by any governmental body, other than through making available the results of nonpartisan analysis, study, and research.

- **GRANT PAYMENTS**

Grant payments shall be issued upon execution of the Grant Agreement.

Contract Review

EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

Grant funds must be expended in accordance with the approved project budget, solely for purposes described in the Grantee's application for funding to the Community Foundation.

Changes in the itemized use(s) of grant funds, extension of the grant period, or change in proposed goals/outcomes require the Community Foundation's prior approval. **The Grantee must contact YCCF requesting to make the change. Once the request has been received, the change request form will be assigned through the online grant portal by YCCF for completion by the Grantee. The change is not considered approved until YCCF provides written confirmation to the Grantee.**

The Grantee shall return to the Community Foundation any remaining unexpended funds:

1. If, for any reason, the Grantee does not complete the project as described in the original application for funding and/or any change requests approved by YCCF.
2. If any funds remain unexpended at the end of the grant period.
3. If the Grantee loses its exemption from Federal income taxes under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code or is no longer an organization described in Section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Contract Review

Expenses charged against this grant may not be incurred prior to the grant authorization date and may be incurred only as necessary to carry out the proposed project purposes and activities.

The Grantee is responsible for the expenditure of funds and for maintaining adequate supporting financial records.

The Community Foundation reserves the right to request written documentation of Grant Project expenses and perform an on-site audit of the Grant Project. **Financial records must be made available to YCCF within 5 business days of a written request.**

If the Grantee is involved in any type of lawsuit, please notify Adrian Buckner, Vice President of Grants & Community Engagement/Chief DEI Officer at the Foundation.

Contract Review

The Foundation shall assume no liability for any claims or actions, including but not limited to, bodily injury, personal injury, or property damage resulting from Grantee's use of the grant funds or performance of any work described in this Agreement. Grantee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Foundation and its directors, officers, and employees from any and all claims, demands, damages to persons or property, losses, and liabilities, including reasonable attorneys' fees and other expenses arising out of or related to (a) any act, omission, or neglect by Grantee or its directors, employees, agents, or subcontractors, or (b) Grantee's failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement. Grantee further agrees to carry adequate liability and other insurance to cover the indemnity obligations of your firm herein. This indemnity is intended to apply to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. Grantee's indemnification obligations under this section shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

ENGAGEMENT
YCCF may request an in-person or virtual meeting at the midpoint of the program start and end date.

Contract Review

PUBLICITY

Please identify York County Community Foundation as the/a source of support in your materials.

Prior to distributing printed materials/publicity regarding your grant, please contact Sarah Thomas, YCCF Vice President of Communications & Culture, at sthomas@yccf.org***.***

REPORTS TO THE FOUNDATION

An Interim report is due at the midpoint of your program's start and end date. The Post Grant Report is due 30 days after your program end date. Grantee will be notified through the online grant portal when they are due.

Contract Review

The person signing below represents and warrants that he/she has the proper authority to act on behalf of and bind the grantee.

Date:

GRANTEE:

_____

_____

Date:

YORK COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

_____

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Adrian Buckner, Vice President of Grants & Community Engagement/Chief DEI Officer

Contract and Grant Check Takeaways

- Please adhere to YCCF guidelines when deciding program start date

- Grant checks and ACH grant payments will be disbursed upon YCCF's receipt of signed grant contract

YCCF Scholarships

York County Dollars for Scholars

YCCF partners with thirteen Dollars for Scholars chapters/scholarship organizations in York County. Graduating York County high school seniors may apply for scholarships supported by YCCF funds directly through the scholarship organization that is affiliated with the high school the graduating senior attends.

https://yccf.org/for-grant-seekers/scholarships/york-county-dollars-for-scholars/

To learn more about YCCF's scholarship opportunities that are available to graduating seniors attending a York County high school, go to YCCF's website https://yccf.org/for-grant-seekers/scholarships/ or contact Layla Boyce at lboyce@yccf.org.

Recap of Changes

- Grantees must have a board approved Anti-Discrimination and DEI Policies.

- THRIVE Grants up to $6,000 will be increased to $10,000.

  - THRIVE Grants under $10,000 will **ONLY** be reviewed twice per year through our Community Grant Reader Program.

- THRIVE, REF, MHF & FOI will be on a rolling basis.

  - There will be 4 opportunities for funding, ***if funding remains available***.

- Grantees must submit the Grant Inquiry Form to determine initial eligibility. Contact Chawna Griffith-Myers (cgriffith@yccf.org) for more information.

Recap of Changes

- EA Grants up to $6,000 will be increased up to $10,000; applicants must complete a Grant Inquiry Form *before* applying

- EA Grants over $10,000 no longer require a Letter of Intent and will be entertained throughout the year; applicants must meet with Cathy Bollinger *before* applying

- ACH is available. If your organization has not signed up, please contact Michele Tarlton-McKinney at mmckinney@yccf.org.

Applicant Resources

Resources:

• YCCF Applicant Resources, https://yccf.org/for-grant-seekers/applicant-resources/

• Grant Writing Tips, https://yccf.org/grant-writing-an-insiders-guide/

• PA Association of Nonprofit Organizations, https://pano.org/

Other Funding Sources

• Kline Foundation, https://www.kline-foundation.org/

• Stabler Foundation, http://www.stablerfoundation.org/

• McCormick Foundation, https://hbgmccormickfoundation.org/

• RiteAid Foundation, https://foundation.riteaid.com/

• Warehime Foundation, https://warehimefoundation.org/

• Powdermill Foundation, https://powdermillfoundation.org/

Questions??

- About THRIVE grants up to $10,000, applying online (including technical issues), and field of interest funds, contact Jason Andrews at jandrews@yccf.org.
- About THRIVE grants over $10,000, Racial Equity Fund, and Memorial Health Fund grants, contact Adrian Buckner at abuckner@yccf.org
- About Embracing Aging grants or TroveStreet, contact Cathy Bollinger at cbollinger@yccf.org or cathy@trovestreet.com
- About grant contracts, grant payments, and scholarship opportunities, contact Layla Boyce at lboyce@yccf.org
- Unsure who to talk to? Contact Chawna Griffith at cgriffith@yccf.org