Services for the Elderly iFund

2020 Grant Application Guidelines and Information

Deadlines
Information Meeting: 06/12/2020 at 3:00PM
Email Requests for Application Access: Available 06/12/2020 – 07/08/2020
Grant Access and GiveSmartOKC Profile Deadline: 07/08/2020
Grant Application Deadline: 07/15/2020

All deadlines are by 5:00PM of the day listed above. No exceptions.

The Services for the Elderly iFund program was designed to support organizations that provide direct services to the elderly (65+ years). There will be funding preference for the following:

- Programs that enable seniors to continue to live independently in their homes
- Programs that encourage wellness and exercise for seniors
- Programs that provide social activities for seniors who otherwise may not have access to such opportunities, thus reducing social isolation

Additional funding priorities include:

- Programs that leverage other resources and demonstrate collaboration between two or more organizations
- Programs that utilize evidence-based strategies

Programs may be new, continuing or expanding. Previous grantees may reapply for additional funding if the program successfully achieved its goals. Grants will be awarded in the range of $5K - $20K. No grants will be made for capital campaigns, fund-raising events, research projects, vehicle purchases, clinical equipment, or facility construction. Support for administrative needs such as occupancy, communications, computer equipment, and overhead are rarely funded.

Grant Requirements
- The organization must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with a published GiveSmartOKC profile
- Programs must provide direct services in central Oklahoma; the Board of Directors must be located in central Oklahoma
- Programs must not be limited by residency, membership, or association with a particular institution

Areas of Interest
Eligible programs include:

- Support independent living: Programming that provides services which enable seniors to live independently, outside of institutional settings.
- Wellness services: Programming that provides wellness and exercise activities that encourage improved health for seniors, specifically seniors who are living independently.
- Social and recreational services: Programming that provides social and recreational opportunities for seniors who are otherwise isolated or unable to participate in community programs.
Application Process
In order to streamline the online application process, all applicants are required to have a published GiveSmartOKC profile prior to obtaining application access. For applicants that do not have a GiveSmartOKC profile or that have a question, please contact givesmartokc@occf.org or call Rachel Mouton at 405/606-2918.

To receive access to apply, please email the name and address of your organization to ifund@occf.org no later than July 8th, 2020 at 5:00 pm. Include a brief, one-paragraph description of your project and the target population. To ensure your program is within the scope of the Services for the Elderly iFund requirements, please review the eligibility parameters listed above. If approved, you will receive an email including an access code and web address for the online application.

The application will require you to describe the specific program and services for which funding support is requested, and to provide a budget and documentation of need in the community. Selected organizational financial information will be required. Individuals completing an application must be a staff member or member of the governing board.

Information Meeting
All interested applicants are strongly encouraged to attend an informational meeting about the Services for the Elderly iFund grant program at 3:00 pm, Friday June 12, 2020, at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation.

Grant Deadline and Notification
Deadline for submission of all grant application materials is by Wednesday July 15, 2020 at 5:00 pm. The grant application will be reviewed by a committee of community members, and recommendations for approval will be submitted to the board of Trustees. Grantees will be notified of a decision by the end of August 2020.

Reporting
Grantees will be required to submit a midway evaluation report and a final report via the online platform.

Questions & Clarifications
Potential applicants are welcome to address questions or concerns by emailing ifund@occf.org with the subject line “iFund Elderly Services” or by calling Tracey Strader at 405/606-2936. Replies will be provided in a timely manner during the work week (not including any holidays). Questions will not be answered after the deadline.