

United Way of Alamance County – Funded Community Partners Request for Applications

United Way of Alamance County has studied the risk factors, root causes, and priority needs of Alamance County. Focused initiatives will be considered that have proven outcomes, and collaborative alignment with partners.

A wish for a thriving community is one we all share. We understand that lasting change is not possible without addressing the root causes of community issues. Nonprofits work on complex issues every day. It's easy to focus on the symptoms of deeper issues. Things like: high school graduation rates, the housing cost burden, children experiencing hunger, and crime rates. These are causes for action.

At United Way of Alamance County, we are working with our community partners to address poverty, gaps in public education, limited access to healthcare, disparities and inequities, and toxic stress. These are the root causes, and this is where we will have a lasting impact.

Applications are submitted via our online software. Attendance is strongly encouraged at our grant workshop, held each winter. Grant consultation is also encouraged and available throughout the year.

Each year United Way of Alamance County grants out approximately \$600,000 dollars from the Community Fund through a competitive application process.

Grants typically range from \$12,000 - 60,000 per year (paid monthly by electronic transfer). Grant funds cannot be used for religious activities or political campaigns. Grant funds may be used for a wide range of expenses such as: programming, staffing, agency overhead, supplies, training, and client assistance.

Starting with the 2019-2020 cycle, funded partners (in good standing) may have the opportunity to renew long-term projects for up to three years.

Criteria:

- Local public agencies, 501c3 nonprofit organizations, and government authorities may submit one application by the deadline.
- Previous grantees must be in good standing in order to reapply, i.e. timely and complete reporting.
- Applicants should have documentation confirming a valid solicitation license from the NC Secretary of State (or exemption from holding this required license) as well as audited financials from a CPA firm.
- Programs should be based on [data](#) and serve Alamance County residents through evidenced based programming, with at least one year of solid results using an evaluation component.
- Proposals may be in the planning and/or implementation stage. The nonprofit must be established for a least one year.
- Preference is given to agencies that:
 - demonstrate using 2-1-1, Volunteer Alamance, and Community Council.
 - collaborate or take a collective impact approach with other initiatives and nonprofits.
 - take an inclusive approach using a racial equity lens.
 - include those that are directly affected by the problem being addressed.
- Applicants will be required to show a 30% match (cash or in-kind).

Taking a Multigenerational Approach to Building a Resilient Community

Systems Focus	Long Term Goals	Measured Outcomes
<p>Education Policies promoted, enacted, or modified that support education.</p> <p>Educators trained to deliver quality services.</p>	<p>Reduce chronic absence Increase educational attainment Increase graduation rates</p>	<p>% Achieve developmental milestones % Reading at grade level % Improve school attendance % Graduate HS on time % Earned job relevant license/credential/certificate</p>
<p>Income/Financial Stability Policies promoted, enacted, or modified to promote economic mobility.</p> <p>Financial sector staff trained to deliver quality services.</p>	<p>Remove barriers to employment Reduce housing cost burden</p>	<p>% Earned job relevant license/credential/certificate % Seniors living independently Decrease food insecurity rates % Accessing disaster relief or emergency shelter % Accessing quality affordable housing</p>
<p>Health Policies promoted, enacted, or modified to promote health.</p> <p>Health sector staff trained to deliver quality services.</p>	<p>Decrease mortality & morbidity rates Increase % trauma informed providers</p>	<p>% Accessing physical, mental health/crisis supports, substance abuse services, medication assistance % Accessing prenatal care Decrease teen pregnancy rates</p>

By addressing Root Causes:

Poverty · Gaps in Public Education · Limited Access to Healthcare · Disparities and Inequities · Toxic Stress



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