



2023 FUNDING APPLICATION INFORMATION AND PROCESS

ELIGIBILITY

- Agency must provide human services
- Agency must be either a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or must be a public school, college, or university
- Agency must have a presence and be active in Lee and/or Harnett County, NC
- Agency must not discriminate on the basis of any federally protected classification in its employment practices or program service delivery (this includes discrimination on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity/expression)
- Agency may be faith-based, but clients must be able to opt out of faith-based messaging and content when applying for or receiving services
- Agency must have officially adopted an anti-racism statement (this is not the same as an anti-discrimination statement, which is also required)

EXPECTATIONS

- In 2023, the United Way Board of Directors expects to fund programs that address housing/homelessness, food, and mental/physical health
- Agencies will provide data-backed program outcomes in addition to outputs
- Agencies will be intentionally working toward advancing equity and will provide specifics about how they are accomplishing this

APPLICATION PROCESS

- United Way funds program expenses only. It does not fund general operating expenses or capital projects/expenses. Program staff salaries may be included in the grant request.
- Agencies may apply for traditional United Way funding, United Way [Barrier Busters](#) reimbursable funding, or both
- United Way uses a 2-step application process
- Any eligible agency may submit a Letter of Intent, due February 13
- Submitting a Letter of Intent does not guarantee that you will be invited to submit a full application
- The United Way Board of Directors will invite selected agencies to submit a full funding application
- Selected agencies will be notified in late February. There is a required Zoom information session for these agencies on February 28 at 9:00 a.m.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR FULL APPLICANTS

- 501(c)(3) tax-exempt letter (if not a public school, college, or university)
- Charitable Solicitation License (if required to have one)
- Audited (budget \$250K or greater) or reviewed (budget less than \$250K) financial statements
- Description of internal controls if no audit is performed
- Current bylaws
- Current budgets for organization and program
- List of current board members
- Mission statement of organization
- **Anti-discrimination statement** clearly stating that your organization does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of any federally protected classification. Statement must apply to employees, clients, and volunteers.
- **Anti-racism statement**—board-approved statement explicitly opposing all forms of racism