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Loudoun Nonprofit Grant Funding Application Available November 13, 2019

Loudoun County's grant application process for human service nonprofit organizations kicks off Wednesday, November 13, 2019, with the posting of the Fiscal Year 2021 (FY 2021) Human Service Nonprofit Grant Application at loudoun.gov/NonProfitGrants.

Tax-exempt, private, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations that provide human services to Loudoun County residents in the areas of need identified and approved by the Board of Supervisors for FY 2021 are eligible to apply for grants. The areas of need and the anticipated outcomes are:

- **Prevention and Self-Sufficiency:** Services focused on assisting individuals and families in becoming and/or remaining independent and stable, and providing tools, skills, strategies, and resources to individuals and families.
- **Crisis Intervention and Diversion:** Services provided to individuals and families in crisis to overcome immediate problems, and reduce or prevent the need for more restrictive and expensive higher level services.
- **Long-Term Support:** Services that focus on assisting individuals who have continuing, long-term support needs to remain healthy, safe and independent in the community.
- **Improved Quality of Human Services:** Services and opportunities provided to individuals, organizations and communities that enhance the quality, accessibility, accountability and coordination of services provided by community organizations.

The online grant application and related documents, as well as a full timeline for the process, are scheduled to be posted by 12:00 p.m., November 13, 2019, at loudoun.gov/NonProfitGrants. Applications must be submitted by 12:00 p.m., December 20, 2019. The amount of funding for FY 2021 will be determined as part of the county's adopted FY 2021 budget. In FY 2020, the budget for human service nonprofit grant funding was \$1.1 million. Adoption of the budget is expected in April 2020, with funding for successful applicants to begin July 1, 2020.

As in previous years, no organization may request more than 30% of its current operating revenue. In addition, individual awards will be limited to no more than \$113,000 (10% of the competitive process's FY 2020 budget, plus 3%), to ensure that the county retains the capacity to make multiple awards across all areas of need.

Mini-Grants Process

In addition to the standard nonprofit application grant process, a mini-grants process will once again be available for FY 2021 funding, providing a simplified application for any nonprofit applying for a grant of \$5,000 or less. The mini-grants program is designed for small-scale innovative projects, and for new or small organizations who may lack capacity for writing a larger grant.

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Application Development Workshops

Loudoun County is holding an application development workshop for prospective applicants. The workshop will be offered twice on Friday, November 15, 2019:

- 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Cascades Library, Meeting Room A, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls
- 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Rust Library, 380 Old Waterford Road NW, Leesburg

The workshop is strongly recommended for all organizations seeking grant funding. The workshop will cover changes to the application, as well as resources for building stronger organizations, such as financial health and strategic planning. There is no need to pre-register for either session.

Anyone who requires a reasonable accommodation for any type of disability in order to participate in the workshop should contact Grants Program Coordinator Shalom Black in the Department of Management and Budget at Shalom.Black@loudoun.gov or 703-737-8186. Three business days' advance notice is requested.

For questions about the application process, contact Grants Program Coordinator Shalom Black at Shalom.Black@loudoun.gov or 703-737-8186.

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