

Continuum of Care Community Grant

Opportunity Overview

FY 2024-2025

The purpose of CoC Community Grants Program is to fill gaps in state and federal funding, expand funding opportunities to new grantees, encourage innovative models of housing and homelessness programming, and meet local strategic needs. Programs operated by or within a 501c(3) organization or government entities and aligning with Continuum of Care eligible activities outlined below are eligible for up to \$200,000 in available resources.

- Minimum Request Amount: \$16,000 over grant term
- Grant Term: One year (May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025)
- Payment of the full annual amount will occur May 2, 2024
- Direct administrative costs can be included in the request. No indirect administrative cost can be charged. [Definition of Direct vs Indirect Administrative Costs](#)
- Spending, impact, and outcome reporting required at the end of the grant cycle, May 2025.
- Priority will be given to proposals with documented collaboration between two or more community organizations.
- Applicants can meet with the CoC Grants Manager prior to applying if helpful. Please contact, Lily Fossel (l.fossel@uwscmi.org) to set an appointment.

Eligible Activities

- Permanent Housing Support
- Homelessness Prevention
- Support for Pregnant Individuals and Families, Individuals, and Families with School Aged Children
- Trauma-Informed Staff Training Programs

While all relevant questions must be answered, submission formats may vary for improved applicant accessibility. Applicants may submit a traditional written application [via E-CImpact](#), or if preferred may submit a video application. Regardless of chosen format, application attachments must be submitted digitally as a pdf. For any questions, please contact CoC Grants Manager, Lily Fossel at l.fossel@uwscmi.org.

Applications and all required attachments are due by 5:00PM, February 15th, 2024.

Grantees will be notified of the outcome of their application on or before March 25th, 2024.

Eligibility Criteria

- Active 501c(3) organizations and government entities
- Application completed and all required documents provided
- Organization is in good standing with any current UWSCMI issued grants
- Request serves Kalamazoo County residents

Notes:

- If financial criteria are not able to be met, an organization may ask another organization to serve as a fiscal sponsor.
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- Supports for Permanent Housing
 - Homelessness prevention
 - Housing support for Pregnant individuals and families, individuals, and families with school aged children
 - Trauma informed training for staff that supports unhoused or those in housing crisis
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Process Timeline

January 29, 2024

- Requests for proposals released.
- Application Opens on EC Impact: [Apply here!](#)

February 15, 2024

- Application Submissions deadline 5pm February 15, 2024

March 25, 2024

- Grantees notified of outcome. Grant Agreements are provided to approved grantees. Those receiving partial funding are given the opportunity to adjust projected outcomes/budget.

April 5, 2024 at 12pm

- Grant Agreement Submission Deadline



May 1, 2024

- Grant term begins.

May 2, 2024

- Payment of the full grant award made.

April 20, 2025

- Grant term ends.

May 20, 2025

- Final report submitted.