

2023 Grant Focus Area – Access to Healthcare

Priority will be given to projects that increase access to health care for Upstate residents.

Purpose

Spartanburg Regional Foundation offers grant funding to programs that are clearly health-related and fall within the service area(s) of Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System. While the Foundation is primarily a healthcare system foundation, funds are available to community organizations committed to the health and wellness needs of Upstate residents.

Grant Eligibility Requirements

Do you meet the following criteria to apply for funding?

1. Spartanburg Regional Foundation considers only those organizations that are recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)3 charitable non-profit and/or tax-exempt entities. Funded organizations must not discriminate based on age, race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, religious belief, or physical ability.
2. Spartanburg Regional Foundation offers grant funding to projects/programs that are clearly health-related and within the service area(s) of Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System. Projects that increase access to healthcare will be given priority.
3. The grant project must be completed within the 12-month grant period.
4. Hospital grant requests have no minimum amount; however, community requests should not exceed \$20,000.

Grant Proposal Requirements and Deadlines

A Letter of Intent (LOI) is required to be invited to submit a full grant proposal. A pre-proposal consultation is also recommended. LOI and full applications (by invitation only) must be submitted via the online grant submission system by *5:00 p.m. on the dates provided. Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.*

Grant Year

The Foundation grant year begins *July 3rd, 2023 and ends June 28th, 2024.*

Geographic Focus

- Spartanburg County, SC
- Cherokee County, SC
- Union County, SC

Limitations

Spartanburg Regional Foundation does not generally provide funding for:

1. Endowments
2. Annual operating support including operating expenses of existing programs
3. Organizations outside of Spartanburg Regional service area(s)
4. Grants to individuals
5. Loans
6. Grant proposals without a Letter of Intent (LOI) and invitation to apply
7. Multi-year requests
8. Recurring requests for the same purpose as a grantee's current grant
9. Fundraising events, celebrations, dinners
10. Retroactive expenses/activities
11. Vehicles, including SUV's
12. K-12 public or private school, charter school, community/junior college, state/private college or university. Separate 501(c)3 organizations established to support a school should contact the Foundation prior to submission to determine project eligibility.

Please contact Alexis Whitmire, Grant Program Manager, at 864-560-6316 or at awhitmire@srhs.com for guidance in determining the eligibility of your organization and/or project.

Grant Process

Application to the Spartanburg Regional Foundation is a two-stage process:

1. Letter-of-Intent -- *January 9th – February 3rd, 2023*
2. Followed by full application – *February 20th – March 17th 2023* (by invitation-only based on approval of your LOI). *Submitting a full application does not guarantee funding.*

Online System

The foundation utilizes an online system for applicants and grantees to apply and report on their grants. All grant applications and reports will be submitted through the portal, no other forms will be accepted.

A tutorial on how to navigate the online system can be found here:

- Applicant Tutorial: [Applicant Tutorial](#)

Click here to access the [Grant Portal](#)

Online Application: Letter of Intent

Clicking the link below will direct you to Spartanburg Regional Foundation's Letter of Intent log-in page to start a new LOI. Here you will need to create a new account. If you are creating a new account, it is imperative that you use a functional, monitored email account as the user ID. This email address will be the Foundation's means of communicating with you throughout the process. If you have applied before, please use your previous login information.

Applicants will be notified of receipt of the LOI submission via email. If you do not receive an email confirmation, please contact Alexis Whitmire at awhitmire@srhs.com

Online Application: Full Application

If you are invited to submit a full proposal, you will receive an email with instructions after your LOI has been reviewed and approved. The full proposal is also submitted through the online grant submission system and can be accessed by logging into the [Grant Portal](#).

For your convenience, data from your LOI will transfer automatically to the full proposal. However, fields may be updated or edited as appropriate.

Please review the entire application packet before you submit your application, once you submit, no further changes can be made. Applicants will be notified of receipt of the full proposal via email. If you need further assistance or did not receive a confirmation email, contact Alexis Whitmire, at 864-560-6316 or at awhitmire@srhs.com

Grant Recipients Selection

- Applications will be reviewed by the Spartanburg Regional Foundation Grants and Allocations Committee, which will make recommendations to the Foundation Board of Trustees based on the funds available and the alignment of the proposal with hospital and community goals. The Foundation Board of Trustees makes the final funding decisions on *May 17th, 2023*.
- Site visits will be conducted during our review process during the month of April 2023. Committee members will be reaching out to your organization to schedule during this time. Please be prompt in scheduling your site visit and communicating with your assigned committee member.
- The Spartanburg Regional Foundation grant process takes approximately *5 months*. You will receive notification of award decisions on *May 18th or May 19th, 2023*.

Evaluation

All grantees will be required to submit 6-month and 12-month evaluations through the online grant submission software. Failure to submit reports may jeopardize chances of receiving future grant awards.

Grant money must be used by *June 30th, 2024* or returned no later than *July 31st, 2024*.