

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to apply with another nonprofit organization to be eligible?

Yes. Applications must include at least one partner organization.

Does the project have to be a new program?

No, the project does not need to be new, though new programs are welcome. We recognize that new programming can be challenging to sustain. Our priority is investing in initiatives that have regional impact.

If I received a Community Impact Fund grant in 2025, am I eligible to apply?

No. Organizations that received a Community Impact Fund grant in 2025 are not eligible to apply as the lead applicant. However, they may participate as a partner organization on another application.

How will grant funds be disbursed?

Grant funds will be awarded to the lead applicant organization. Funds must be used in accordance with the program and budget outlined in the approved application.

Do we need explicit approval from partner organizations?

Yes. Partner organizations must provide approval, and a designated contact person must be included in the application.

Can a partner organization be listed on more than one application?

Yes. A partner organization may participate in more than one application; however, it may only serve as the lead applicant on one application.

Do all partners need to be nonprofit organizations?

Yes. All partner organizations must be nonprofits. Only the lead applicant is required to submit nonprofit documentation during the application process.

When will applicants be notified?

Primary contacts at the lead organization will be notified by April 6 if they are invited to submit a full application.

What types of projects are not eligible for the Community Impact Fund?

- Individuals
- Political organizations or candidates
- Non-charitable organizations or initiatives
- Attendance at or sponsorship of fundraising events for organizations
- Annual events or festivals

- Projects and activities that have occurred. Horizon Community Foundation will not, except in extraordinary cases, provide payment or reimbursement for expenses incurred prior to the funding decision being communicated to the applicant.
- Any group that discriminates on the basis of age, color, race, national origin, gender identity, marital status, sensory, mental or physical ability, sexual orientation or religious beliefs.
- Capital projects or campaigns.