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Request for Continuation of Funding (RCF)

Funding Cycle: March 2024 – February 2025

Deadline: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 by 3:00 PM

Request for Continuation of Funding Process and Application Guidance

The Request for Continuation of Funding (RCF) application is required for programs in their second and third year of the multi-year investment cycle (unless otherwise specified by the United Way of Abilene Board of Directors). Applications are due Wednesday, November 1, 2023 by 3:00 pm. Funding will begin March 2024 and extend through February 2025. The Request for Continuation of Funding process excludes site visits and program presentations, but applicants must still complete a Stewardship Application for their agency. Programs will be notified of their 2024 investment in late-February 2024. All programs receiving funding in the year 2024 must participate in monthly impact reporting to United Way through the Community Operating System.

Programs seeking more funding than their current investment must exit the RCF process and complete the Application for Community Impact Funds to undergo a full review.

Completed program applications are to be submitted in **10 collated, hole-punched, unstapled hard copies**. Your submission should begin with the **Agency & Program Overview Form – please do not submit copies of cover pages, guidance pages, etc.** Applications may be bound with binder clips or rubber bands. Please do not staple. Please use the provided applications. If using Word, please type your answers in 11 pt. Arial or similar font, add additional space as needed if completing the application using the Word document. Please provide any survey materials you have that relate to your outcome measures. Additional accepted attachments include agency collateral, program curriculum, and other supporting program documents.

Applications are due in the United Way of Abilene office at 240 Cypress no later than 3:00 p.m. on November 1, 2023. Fax or email submissions are not accepted.

Application Deadline:

3:00 p.m. on November 1, 2023

Note: You are responsible for submitting complete application packets by the application deadline. Any application not received by the application deadline will not be eligible for funding.

Key Dates

Application for Community Impact Funds Released	Tuesday, October 3, 2023
Application for Community Impact Funds Due	Wednesday, November 1, 2023
Stewardship Application Due	Tuesday, November 14, 2023
Notification of 2024 Investment Decision	Mid to late February 2024

Applications should be submitted in person or mailed to:

United Way of Abilene
ATTN: Marcus Wiley
240 Cypress
Abilene, TX 79601

Questions: Contact Marcus Wiley, Community Impact Director at 325-677-1841 or marcus@unitedwayabilene.org.

Request for Continuation of Funding

Signatures certify that all information in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Organization Information			
Agency Name:			
Address:			
City, State Zip:			
Phone:			
Website:			
Exec. Director	Name	Phone	Email
Program Director	Name	Phone	Email
Board Chair	Name	Phone	Email

Program Information	
Program Name:	Impact Area: <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Stability <input type="checkbox"/> Health
2023 United Way of Abilene Allocation:	
Exec. Director	Signature:
Board Chair	Signature:
The above signed hereby certify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The program and budget information in this application is true and correct to the best of our knowledge. • If approved for continued funding, we agree to abide by the United Way of Abilene Community Partner Agreement. • This application has been duly authorized and approved by the agency's Board of Directors. 	

Geographic Service Area

United Way of Abilene serves the 19 counties of West Central Texas. Please indicate the number of clients served by this program, broken down by the clients' home county, during the last calendar year.

#	County	#	County	#	County	#	County
	Brown		Fisher		Mitchell		Stephens
	Callahan		Haskell		Nolan		Stonewall
	Coleman		Jones		Runnels		Taylor
	Comanche		Kent		Scurry		Throckmorton
	Eastland		Knox		Shackelford		

Demographic Information

Please provide age, ethnicity, and income level information in estimated percentages of the total client population during the last calendar year.

Age									
	0-13 yrs.		14-18 yrs.		19-30 yrs.		31-65 yrs.		66+ yrs.

Ethnicity/Race											
	African-American		Asian/Pacific Islander		Hispanic/Latino		Multi		Native American		White, Non-Hispanic

Low Income	
<i>Low income for the purpose of United Way's grant review process is defined as living in a household with an annual income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level. United Way recognizes that many organizations currently use other measures to assess needs. Alternative measures, including Free & Reduced School Lunch, are accepted.</i>	
	At or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level
	Unknown

Racial Disparity	
<i>Is your program intended to address, or does your program address, a specific racial disparity? (Examples: third-grade reading proficiency gap OR income disparity OR health outcomes disparity between White and BIPOC* residents)?</i>	
	Yes *Black, Indigenous, or other Persons of Color
	No

If yes, please describe how your program addresses one or more identified racial disparities.

Program Summary & Outcomes

Please address each of the following:

1. Provide a brief description of the program.

2. Please select up to three target outcomes below that most closely fit your program.

Education	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Children are safe and secure and have responsible caring adults in their lives.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Students succeed in school.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Students graduate and are ready for the next grade level or work.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Children and families have the tools they need to make good decisions and effectively deal with social challenges.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Families have access to childcare that presents opportunities for growth and development.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Children are enrolled in or have access to safe, quality childcare and early education/learning.
Financial Stability	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Families have access to affordable childcare allowing them to work or attend school.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Families learn to budget and save money for housing, utilities, transportation, and other expenses.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Families have access to emergency/transitional housing and basic needs services.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Individuals have access to information, services, and support that allow them to overcome challenges to be more self-sufficient.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community members, including the elderly, feel secure in their homes and maintain their quality of life.
Health	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Families have access to adequate medical services.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Families have access to nutritious meals or food supplies.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Families develop positive habits and have resources to help them cope with challenges.

6. Provide a bulleted list of accomplishments, successes, and/or program improvements in the last year for which you are proud (you may attach as extra sheet if necessary):

7. What are the agency's plans for the future? Are there any current/pending capital improvement projects or plans to alter/reduce programming?

8. If United Way funding qualifies as a "match" for governmental or other grants, how many additional dollars will be obtained for this program?

9. Submit your estimated program budget for 2024. If a 2024 budget is not currently available, please submit your most recent budget.