

NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY

ANNOUNCING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Funding for projects directly benefitting the Glastonbury, CT

Purpose of the Call

We are inviting submissions of proposals for funding available to programs that will improve or enhance the quality of life of Glastonbury or otherwise contribute to solving a direct need of the Glastonbury community. Funding may include efforts to improve access to current programs (especially for underserved populations); or innovative new initiatives; or enhancements of current programs. Funding may be used for solving basic human needs (food or shelter), health, human services, disability or mental health services, senior services, education, and recreation/land conservation. The geographic area served is restricted to Glastonbury, CT. Partnerships or collaborative efforts are encouraged.

Potential Grant Award

Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded. The size of the grant awards will be based on the scope and focus of proposals. Additional funding for proposals can be sought from other sources.

In its 2021 inaugural round of grants, the Glastonbury Greater Together Community Fund awarded \$27,200 to six organizations; grants awarded ranged from \$500 to \$15,000. In 2022, the Community Fund awarded \$28,000 to eleven organizations; grants awarded ranged from \$1,000 to \$4,500. In 2023, \$21,150 was awarded to eight organizations; grants awarded ranged from \$1,500 to \$4,500.

How to Submit

The deadline for submission is **April 15, 2024**.

Applicants are requested to observe the following procedures:

1. Submission of an electronic cover letter to introduce your organization and your proposal.
2. A narrative explanation of the purpose of the grant request using the Glastonbury Greater Together Community Fund Application.
3. Submission of **all** requested attachments to accompany the proposal narrative. Please use the common budget worksheet provided.

All relevant forms and instructions for applying can be found at the Glastonbury Community Fund website page at the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving:

<https://www.hfpg.org/glastonburycf>

Questions about this RFP may be directed to Glastonburycommunityfund@gmail.com

Eligibility and Prerequisites

- Any nonprofit registered as a 501c3 organization that serves the residents of Glastonbury is eligible to submit.
- Nonprofits do not need to be headquartered or based in Glastonbury.
- Groups of town residents may prepare an application in partnership with a registered nonprofit that has agreed to serve as the fiscal agent for the proposed project. The Town of Glastonbury may also serve as a fiscal agent.
- Individuals, private foundations, and for-profit businesses are not eligible to apply.
- The Glastonbury Community Fund cannot be used to fund programs of sectarian or religious purposes.

Proposals must provide the opportunity for all town residents to benefit without discrimination based on race, religion, or any other protected class. The proposed project does not necessarily need to benefit every town resident if the application can demonstrate why it addresses the need for a portion of the town's population and does not discriminate among residents who share this need.

Review and Selection Process

Applications will be reviewed on a competitive basis by the Glastonbury Community Fund Advisory Committee and will be evaluated according to the merit and relevance to the call.

Proposals will be selected and awarded by June 4. All grant awards are made at the sole discretion of the Glastonbury Community Fund Advisory Committee.

About the Glastonbury Community Fund

In 2019, the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving established community funds for each of the 29 towns in the Foundation's region, which includes the town of Glastonbury. The purpose of the community funds is to support residents in taking ownership around the needs in their towns, encourage broad and inclusive civic engagement and anchor the Hartford Foundation in each town.

About the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving

The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving is the community foundation for Hartford and 28 surrounding towns. Through partnerships, the Foundation seeks to strengthen communities in Greater Hartford by putting philanthropy in action to dismantle structural racism and achieve equity in social and economic mobility. Made possible by the gifts of generous individuals, families and organizations, the Foundation has awarded grants of more than \$940 million since its founding in 1925. For more information about the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, visit <https://www.hfpg.org>.