

## NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY

### ANNOUNCING OPEN CALL FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST

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Funding for projects directly benefitting the Glastonbury, CT

#### **Purpose of the Call**

We are inviting Letters of Interest (LOI) 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 \$15,000 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. Last year, the Community Fund awarded \$28,000 to eleven organizations; grants awarded ranged from \$1,000 to \$4,500.

#### **How to Submit**

The deadline for submission of Letters of Interest is March 1, 2022. The application form can be accessed from <https://www.hfpg.org/glastonburycf>

Questions about this call for Letters of Interest may be directed to [Glastonburycommunityfund@gmail.com](mailto:Glastonburycommunityfund@gmail.com)

#### **Eligibility and Prerequisites**

- Any nonprofit registered as a 501c3 organization that serves the residents of Glastonbury is eligible to submit.
- 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.
- Nonprofits do not need to be headquartered or based in Glastonbury.

- 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.

Letters of Interest 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 letter 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**

Letters of Interest 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.

Selected applicants will be notified and invited to participate in submitting a full proposal by the end of March. Full proposals will be selected and awarded by the end of June. 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 \$100,000 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>.