The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving is pleased to announce a competitive grant opportunity designed to provide summer programming opportunities to Hartford youth and people with disabilities in our 29-town region. The Foundation welcomes requests of up to $45,000 for activities implemented during the summer of 2022. Applicants are requested to complete the online grant application by Friday, January 21, 2022. Grants will be announced by March 2022. There will be an info session via Zoom: December 9, 2021 from 2-3pm, register here to join. The Foundation expects to award $850,000 to numerous providers.

I. Background:
The Foundation’s goal in supporting summer programming is to provide children in Hartford and people with disabilities a safe place to go during the traditional workday and to provide Hartford youth with work-based learning through Counselor-in-Training (CIT) programs. The application also contains informational questions to help the Foundation explore additional areas of alignment between the Foundation’s strategic priorities and summer programming.

II. Proposal Requirements:
Grants will be awarded to programs that can contribute to the Foundation’s interest in providing children in Hartford and people with disabilities a safe place to go during their parents’ and caregivers’ traditional workday and to provide Hartford youth work-based learning through CIT programs. Applicants should demonstrate cultural competency in their programming. Preference will be given to organizations that are Black or Latino led.

- **Target Population:** Programming must specifically reach Hartford youth or people with disabilities in our 29-town region.

- **Types of Programs:** Eligible types of programs include summer camperships, enrichment opportunities (programs that host campers form other agencies rather than hosting their own campers), tutorial experiences and CIT programs.

- **Eligible applicants:** Applicants must meet the Hartford Foundation’s basic grantmaking guidelines. Non-501c3 community-based groups may apply using a fiscal sponsor.

- **Expected Outputs:** Funded proposals will be asked to track and report on the following outputs: 1) number of children and people with disabilities participating in overall programming, 2) number of Hartford youth (children and/or CITs) participating in programming, 3) number of working families using the summer program as childcare.

We encourage applicants to consider any adaptations to existing programming that might be required to comply with state and federal COVID-19 safety regulations and to incorporate flexibility in requests.
Questions can be directed to Jackie Coleman at jcoleman@hfpg.org. Any technical questions regarding completing the online application should be directed to Grants Administration at grantsadministration@hfpg.org.

**Applicants should complete all required questions of the online application:** Each agency is invited to submit one proposal. The deadline for proposals is **January 21, 2022.**