

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SOUTH PUGET SOUND

Capital City Marathon Endowment Fund *2020 Grant Guidelines and Application Information*

Grant Overview

Welcome to the Capital City Marathon Endowment Fund grant application. *Please be sure to read the grant process and guidelines before submitting an application.*

The Capital City Marathon Association (CCMA) is a nonprofit organization that has been providing a quality, local, all volunteer running event for 39 years. CCMA is committed to giving back to the community. To that end, in 2014 they established the Capital City Marathon Endowment Fund, which grows each year with proceeds from their event. The Capital City Marathon Endowment Fund is a component fund of the Community Foundation of South Puget Sound.

Program Goals

Funding is available for projects in the Thurston, Lewis, and Mason County areas that will increase the understanding and practice of healthy living. This grant supports projects that focus on one or more of the following:

- Personal health and fitness through the promotion of physical activity and exercise, such as running, nutrition, positive health habits and attitudes
- Personal growth through accomplishment, such as preparing for a competition
- Accessibility through the expansion of participation opportunities in a sport
- Program ingenuity through the creation of new at school, after school, or community-wide programs

Previously Funded Projects

The following are past projects that were funded by the Capital City Marathon Endowment Fund:

- Black Hills Booster Club: Bears and Wolves Swim Camp (middle school-aged girls)
- Boys & Girls Club of Thurston County: Running Club & the Olympia Boys & Girls Club (running wear for youth)
- Faith In Action West Sound: Fitness Land at The HUB (physical activities for seniors)
- Kiwanis Club of North Thurston: Kiwanis Day of Champions Expansion to Mason County (activities for differently abled students)
- Mountain View Elementary School: Singlets for the Mountain View Track Team (running shirts for youth)
- Prairie Elementary School: Project Get up and Move! (before school activity program)
- South Sound Roots Academy: Free Weekly Group Basketball Training Sessions (youth)
- South Sound YMCA: ACT! Actively Changing Together (expansion to Spanish-speaking families)

Grant amounts and deadlines

- Grant amounts will range from \$1,500 to \$5,000.
- We expect to make up to five grant awards in 2020.
- Applications must be received in our online grants platform by 11:59pm on Friday, May 29.

Process and Guidelines

The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound makes grants to 501(c)(3) public organizations. If your organization or group is not a 501(c)(3), you must secure a fiscal sponsor.

Each organization may submit one application per cycle. Applications are reviewed by Community Foundation staff—in consultation with CCMA Board of Directors—with final approval by the Community Foundation Board of Directors.

We consider applications that:

- Are complete and in the requested format
- Clearly describe proposed activities and plans
- Demonstrate sound fiscal policy and responsible financial management
- Demonstrate how more people will be served or how programs will be expanded due to grant funding
- Commit to documenting and submitting outcomes due to grant funding
- Align with Capital City Marathon Endowment Fund goals

We do not support:

- Organizations that discriminate regarding age, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, national origin, religious affiliation, or presence of a disability
- Building funds or annual fund campaigns
- Endowments or debt reduction
- Activities or purchases that occur prior to grant decisions
- Individuals
- Political activities
- Religious organizations when funds would be used in whole or in part to further the organization's religious purposes

Summary of grant completed activities

At the conclusion of your grant-funded activities, you will be required describe the project activities conducted, elements of the project supported by grant funds, how grant funds increased participation, and description of who the grant funds served.

Additional Note

Grantees will be asked to send us a photo for use on our website and social media.

Questions

We welcome you to contact us before you submit an application to ensure your project meets the guidelines for this grant opportunity. If you have questions about the grants program, the application process, or need assistance in using the online grants platform, please contact Melissa Rosscup at mrosscup@thecommunityfoundation.com or at 360-705-3340.

Online Grants Platform

The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound uses an online grants platform. The platform compiles information and support materials for the Community Foundation's grant programs.

If you are new to our online grants platform, you will need to create an account in our system. At the time of registration, you will be asked to enter the following information:

- A username that is an email address
- Your contact information
- Your organization's information, including the EIN/Tax ID number (required)
- Contact information for the organization's Executive Director or CEO

Tips

Some suggestions for using the online grants platform:

- Character limits include spaces and punctuation
- Be sure to save your work frequently by clicking the "Save" button at the bottom of the page
- The size of text boxes may be adjusted by dragging the lower right corner
- Required fields are indicated with an asterisk
- To create a PDF version of your application that you can save and/or print, click the "Application Packet" button at the top of the page

[Click here to access the online grants platform.](#)

Application Questions

The following is a list of the questions for this grant application. These are also available in the online grants platform.

GRANT PROFILE

Mission Statement* Please input your organization's mission statement. *Character Limit: 500*

Project Name* Name of Project *Character Limit: 100*

Grant Request Description*

Please provide a clear 1-sentence description of your funding request. This answer may be used for public communications, such as on the Community Foundation and Capital City Marathon Association websites or newsletters. *Character Limit: 200*

Amount Requested* *Character Limit: 20*

Project Budget* What is the total cost of the project? *Character Limit: 20*

Operating Budget* Enter your organization's current operating budget. *Character Limit: 20*

May we share this proposal with other potential funders? Yes/No

Nondiscrimination Policy*

Does your organization have a nondiscrimination policy that aligns with the Community Foundation's nondiscrimination requirement?

Community Foundation Nondiscrimination Policy

The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, disabilities, age, status as a veteran, national origin, or any other protected classes. Applicants for the Community Grants program must hold similar standards in the provision of services.

Yes/No

NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

Organization Overview*

Briefly describe the history and purpose of your organization. *Character Limit: 1500*

Project Description*

Describe what you will do with the funding you are requesting. Include the number of people you expect to serve with these funds. *Character Limit: 3500*

Alignment*

Tell us how this project aligns with the Capital City Marathon Endowment Fund's Goals for increasing the understanding and practices of healthy living:

- Personal health and fitness through the promotion of physical activity and exercise, such as running, nutrition, positive health habits and attitudes
- Personal growth through accomplishment *Character Limit: 1500*

Anything Else

Is there anything else you would like us to know about your proposal? *Character Limit: 1500*

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

IRS Determination Letter

Please upload a copy of your organization's IRS determination letter. *File Size Limit: 2 MB*

Most Recent 990

Please upload a copy of your organization's most recent IRS 990 or 990-N tax filing. *File Size Limit: 10 MB*

Current Board Members*

Please upload or type in the list of your organization's current board members and their affiliations. *Character Limit: 2500 | File Size Limit: 1 MB*

BUDGET & FINANCIALS

Project Budget*

Upload a copy of the budget for the project for which you are applying, including revenue and expenses. *File Size Limit: 2 MB*

Prior Year Organizational Budget*

Upload a copy of your organization's prior year budget, showing actual v. budget. *File Size Limit: 3 MB*

Other Funding Sources

Capital City Marathon Fund grants are intended to be one-time grants. Describe other committed and potential funding sources for this project or proposal. And/or your plan to secure other funding sources. *Character Limit: 1500*

Fiscal Sponsor

If you are applying under a fiscal sponsor, include their contact information (phone and email) in the text box below and upload an authorization signed by the fiscal sponsor organization's chief executive or board chair. *Character Limit: 500 | File Size Limit: 2 MB*

POPULATION & DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Population(s) Served*

The Community Foundation seeks to understand who is being supported by our grant funding. As you are able, provide detailed characteristics (age, gender, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, etc.) of the population(s) being targeted as the intended beneficiary of support and/or services being provided. Examples: "Girls ages 8-12" or "People with disabilities" *Character Limit: 1000*