

Ford Motor Company Fund: Announcing the 2014 Capital Grant Program

Ford Motor Company Fund is pleased to announce that in 2014 we are once again accepting requests for capital program grants. This decision reflects our ongoing commitment to build stronger communities and capacity within the non-profit community to meet increasing needs in many areas. As was the case with last year's program, capital grant requests will only be considered to support the existing priorities of the Fund: **education, automotive safety, community needs and the arts.**

Program Guidelines

- For the purposes of this program, we define capital as physical infrastructure, construction of new and/or renovated space, and related equipment purchases. We will not consider endowment funding as a part of this program. Vehicle purchases will also not be considered.
- The total amount available for grants in any given year is determined by the Board of Trustees of the Fund and for 2014 has been established at \$500,000.
- Due to the limited nature of the funds available, **the maximum grant per organization for any one year will be \$100,000** and there **will not be any multiple year commitments at this time.** However, since by nature capital programs tend to extend over a period of time, grantees may apply for an additional grant in subsequent years.
- Capital grant narratives must contain:
 - A brief description of the overall project;
 - A description of the specific item Ford Fund capital funding will support;
 - Any naming opportunities;
 - A description of potential programmatic ties that could be linked to this capital grant in future years.
- Applications may be submitted online at <https://www.easymatch.com/FORDGRANTS> between **February 3 and March 14, 2014.**

Proposal Submission Process

As was the case for the 2013 Capital Grant Program, all grant proposals must be submitted through our online grant system. No attachments will be accepted.

- To access our grant system, go to <https://www.easymatch.com/FORDGRANTS>. Once you are logged in select "Add New Capital Request" from the Applications Home page.
- Follow the onscreen instructions and input your grant. Hit the "Submit" bar to submit your proposal.
- You will receive an automated confirmation e-mail once your proposal is successfully uploaded.
- Applicants must submit proposals through the "Add New Capital Request" section of our online grant system as outlined in the first bullet above. ***Proposals submitted outside of this section will not be considered for funding.***

Grantmaking Timeline and Process

- **Applications are due in our online system by 5:00 p.m. EST on March 14, 2014.**
- Applicants will be notified of the results of this year's competition in June.
- Grants will be awarded in July and payable in this calendar year.

Any questions regarding capital grant submissions should be directed to **capfund1@ford.com**.