

If you are interested in being considered for a Cox Charities Community Grant, please review the following guidelines for funding requests:

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must be federally tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code with non-private foundation status.
- Must be in a Cox East serviceable footprint (*Central Florida, Gulf Coast, Middle Georgia, Cleveland, Ohio, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Virginia -Hampton Roads, Northern Virginia and Roanoke).*

## **Program criteria:**

Recipients will be selected by considering several factors, including the following criteria:

- How well the project aligns with the Cox Charities giving pillars.
- The overall impact and need of this program in local communities.
- How clearly the proposal defines program objectives and projected outcomes.
- The metrics in place to measure the program's overall successes and/or future opportunities.
- The program has a communication strategy to promote the program externally, collaborate with stakeholders and share the program's outcomes.

## Limitations:

- Only one request will be considered per organization.
- We do not provide loans to organizations or individuals.
  - Grants are not provided for the following:
    - Animal welfare.
    - Arts & Culture.
    - Capital expenditures and annual operating purposes (includes expenses for salaries, capital campaigns, infrastructure improvements, overhead/salaries).
    - Scholarships funds for individual students or nonprofit organizations for the purpose of granting scholarships.
    - Seed money, or as the only funding source of an organization.
    - Endowment funds/Foundations.
    - Conferences and seminars.
    - $\circ$  Individuals.
    - Fundraising events or sponsorships (dinners, golf tournaments, walks/runs, benefits, raffles, tickets, tables, etc.).
    - Organizations whose primary purpose is to influence legislation.
    - Political causes, candidates, organizations, or campaigns.
    - Labor or fraternal organizations.
    - Religious organizations for general operating support, sanctuary construction/renovation or mission-focused work.
    - Recreational sports teams and clubs.
    - Organizations or programs that discriminate based on race, color, sex, sexual orientation, age, religion, national or ethnic origin, or physical disability.
    - o Travel.

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