BACKGROUND

The GW Arc Foundation was established to provide monetary support for organizations geared towards addressing social justice related issues. Each year the foundation unanimously chooses one issue that we hope to combat and provide relief for.

This year, the GW Arc Foundation’s mission is to support individuals experiencing homelessness in the Washington Metropolitan area (DMV) by providing funding to nonprofit organizations working to alleviate homelessness and its contributing factors. We envision a just and equitable world in which every person has access to sustainable and affordable housing, thereby breaking the cycle of homelessness that plagues our country.

We also recognize the need to support organizations that might be at risk of losing funding due to recent D.C. policy changes. In December 2020, D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser announced an order to pull back funding from local nonprofits that serve residents experiencing homelessness in the midst of a severe housing crisis exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

INVITATION

The GW Arc Foundation is currently accepting proposals to receive up to $5,000 in funding for Shelters, Temporary/Transitional Housing Programs, Day/Resource Centers, Social Services, and Street Outreach. The funding received is intended to be used to support and supplement initiatives within the organization.

The GW Arc Foundation will accept proposals until Friday, April 9th, 2021 - 11:59 p.m. EST. This is a one-time, non-renewable grant available to organizations in the DMV area holding a 501(c)3 status. Individuals are ineligible to apply.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Organizations applying for this grant should work within one of the following priority areas of the GW Arc Foundation:

Shelters: We support organizations that provide services for the needs of individuals experiencing homeless. This includes:
1. Shelter
2. Immediate Food Assistance
3. Sanitation

**Temporary/Transitional Housing Programs:** We support organizations that provide services such as temporary housing for the homeless population in efforts to help them transition into permanent housing.

**Day/Resource Centers:** We support organizations that provide immediate daily assistance to individuals experiencing homelessness. This includes:

1. Soup Kitchens
2. Churches
3. Child Care Programming

**Social Services:** We support non-profit agencies that provide tools for sustainable growth. This includes:

1. Addressing Food Insecurity
2. Physical and Mental Health Care
3. Job Training
   a. Resume Building
   b. Career Training
   c. Financial Literacy Training
4. Street Outreach

*The GW Arc Foundation is accepting proposals from organizations that fall into the aforementioned categories as well as others that are directly serving individuals experiencing homelessness in the DMV area.*

**GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS**

*An successful proposal should include the following materials:*

1. Cover Page
   a. Name of Organization
   b. Address of Organization
   c. Website URL
   d. Contact Person
      i. Name
      ii. Best Method of Contact
2. Executive Summary (one paragraph)
   a. Mission of Organization
   b. Vision of Organization
   c. Overview of Program (if
applicable
3. Program Description (2-3 pages)
   a. Problem and opportunity
   b. Goals and objective
   c. Method of implementation
   d. Obstacles and possible risks
   e. Personnel and key players (roles and purpose)
   f. Evaluation and assessment plan
4. Budget and Budget Narrative (1 page)
   Include how funds will be used
5. Projected Timeline

*We are open to funding a variety of different needs such as general operations, program and planning, etc. Please specify how you will allocate the grant.

Format for proposals:

Proposals should be submitted by email to gw.arcfoundation@gmail.com in a singular PDF file.

SUBMISSION TIMELINE

The GW Arc Foundation will stop accepting Friday April 9th, 2021 - 11:59p.m. EST.

The GW Arc Foundation will notify the applicant that the proposal has been received.

All applicants will be notified of their award by May 5, 2021.

This is a one-time, non-renewable grant. This project is funded by the Learning by Giving Organization. This application is open to organizations in the DMV area holding a 501(c)3 status. Individuals are ineligible to apply.

For questions, please contact: gw.arcfoundation@gmail.com
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