



Masala Giving Circle

GRANT APPLICATION
November 20, 2020

Deadline date for submitting grant applications is
December 31, 2020, 5pm EST.



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The Masala Giving Circle is a group of African American/Black women dedicated to mission of promoting economic and personal empowerment through financial support for programs and initiatives that benefit our communities in Sarasota and Manatee counties.

We are accepting proposals from Sarasota and Manatee County nonprofit organizations whose programs support our mission.

An organization is eligible to apply for a grant of up to \$10,000 if the organization meets the following criteria:

- Origin: Based in and serve those in either Sarasota or Manatee County, FL
- Status: Grants may not be made to fraternal organizations, orders, or societies unless they have a non-profit tax exempt 501(c)(3) qualified public charitable organization with specific programs or services that will receive the grant.
- Target Audience: Program or service that addresses the needs of the African American/Black community.

Funding Exclusions:

- Indirect costs, travel, religious or political activity, purchase of real estate, fundraising, construction or maintenance, conferences, meetings, staff salaries, scholarships, and awards.

Awarding of Funds:

- Funding will be awarded to programs whose purpose has a specific goal, with concrete objectives, and measurable outcomes at the end of the proposal's twelve-month project period.
- Grants awarded from \$5,000 to \$10,000 will be disbursed in two incremental payments pending an approved bi-annual report and/or site visit.

Project Proposal

To apply for a grant, please submit the following information:

1. **Contact Information**
 1. Date and name of person completing the proposal
 2. Contact name of the Executive Director
 3. Physical and mailing addresses, telephone, and email address.
2. **Legal name of organization** (as shown on IRS information)
3. **A copy of IRS Letter of Determination** 501(c)(3) for non-profit status.

4. **History and Mission of the Organization** Provide a brief organizational history and mission statement for the organization.
5. **Proposed Project**
 1. Project title
 2. Project description, including a timeline for all activities
 3. Project goals, measurable objectives, and evaluation procedures
6. **Funding Request and Budget**
 1. Amount of money requested in this grant application and total cost of the project.
 2. Itemized budget.
7. **Target Audience**
 1. Describe your target audience by providing the African American percentages of population to be served by the grant and the need for the project in the community.
 2. Include relevant demographics of the population served, including age, and income level.

The following requirements must be met as to the structure of the proposal:

Length of proposal should not be more than a maximum of six pages of doubled spaced text. Documentation must be submitted on 8 ½ by 11 inch paper printed on one side with 12 points and unbound typeface.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS AN ADDENDUM TO THE APPLICATION.

- How has COVID-19 impacted your organization?
- Identify how this grant will assist in addressing the impact of COVID-19 on your organization?
- How has your organization addressed the suggestions for safe operations during the pandemic (i.e. social distancing, masks, other)?

Other

A report of grant expenditure must be completed and returned to the Masala Giving Circle **as soon as all funds have been expended or 11 months from the start of the grant period, whichever comes first.** The grant period begins on the date the check is mailed to the grantee organization. If the organization wishes to extend the grant period, it must secure permission to do so **by writing** to Masala Giving Circle.

Organizations who are awarded funding in previous years are eligible to reapply for additional funds after two years if the awardee has fulfilled the terms of the previous or original grant.

If an organization was not approved for meeting the criteria in the original proposal, it may reapply after the first year.

Applications are due on December 31, 2020 no later than 5pm EST. Late entries or incomplete applications will not be considered. Email completed application to Nila Stovall Padarathsingh (nila1@comcast.net) or Dale Booker (dwbooker13@gmail.com).