



The Women's Fund supports programs and initiatives that assist women and girls in achieving their full potential.

SUCCESS GRANTS FROM THE WOMEN'S FUND
GRANTS UP TO \$5,000 TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS
BENEFITING WOMEN AND/OR GIRLS

The Women's Fund of the Community Foundation of Central Illinois (CFCI) is offering up to \$15,000 in grant money to support programs/services that positively impact women and/or girls in achieving their full potential.

Grants may be used to initiate new programs or support existing programs from October 2011 through September 2012. Primary participants or beneficiaries must be women and/or girls in central Illinois.

Application Process

Applicants for the Women's Fund Success Grants should complete and submit 9 copies of the proposal, in addition to the original to the Community Foundation of Central Illinois (CFCI).

Application forms are available in hard copy or email format from the CFCI by contacting Kristan@communityfoundationci.org and on the Community Foundation of Central Illinois website: www.communityfoundationci.org .

This form may be downloaded and re-created. Submitted proposals must be typed.

Application deadline: September 1, 2011 at Noon at the CFCI office.

Name of Your Organization: _____

Amount requested (\$5000 or less): _____

How many individuals will the grant directly impact? _____

Name of the program/service for which you are requesting funds:

Brief Program Description: Please include two or three sentences summarizing the grant, including activities and major goals. The proposal must address issues related to women and/or girls.

Four horizontal lines for writing the program description.

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1. Tell us who you are. (half page or less) and include the following:

a. **Organization.** Describe the mission and goals of the whole organization, including major activities and populations served. Explain how this grant fits into this overall mission. We want to know how the entire organization functions so we may place in context the program/services for which you are requesting funds. How long has your organization been in existence? Have you received a Women's Fund grant in the past?

b. **Service Area.** Describe the geographic area in which your services are provided and, specifically, the geographic area to be served by your proposed grant.

2. Tell us about your grant proposal. Describe the program and activities for which you are requesting funds and include the following:

a. **Program and Activities.** Provide a description of the program to be funded and details of the actual activities that will be offered.

b. **Relevance.** What human or community needs will this grant target? Convince us that they are important.

c. **Participants.** Describe participants and any risk factors they may be experiencing. How will you recruit and select participants?

d. **Collaboration.** Describe any collaboration with other agencies with regards to this grant.

3. What goals and objectives do you hope to address and achieve through this activity and how will you measure your success? Include the following:

a. **Outcomes.** Briefly describe how this grant will benefit participating women and/or girls in the short term and what long-term impact is possible. Will you have a role in the sustainability of positive outcomes?

b. **Measurement of Success.** Complete the following form to describe how you will measure the success of this project both qualitatively and quantitatively as related to its main goal and three objectives. List proposed specific activities, when they will begin and end, and who will be responsible for conducting them.

List main goal: _____

Objectives	Activities	Timeline	Responsible Party	Measurement of success
Objective #1: _____				
Objective #2: _____				
Objective #3: _____				

4. Tell us about funding needs for this program/service.

a. **Funding history.** If this is an existing program, how long have you received funding for this program/service, from whom and in what amount? Have you recently lost funding?

b. **Options.** Could you operate this program/service on partial funding? How?

c. **Partners.** Are you soliciting or anticipating funding from others for this grant? From whom and how much?

d. **Budget.** Complete the following budget of anticipated expenses.

Category	Cash	In-Kind	Total
Professional fees			
Materials & Supplies			
Travel, Food, Lodging			
Equipment & Facility Rental			
Marketing & Promotions			
Other (please define)			
Total Expenses			

5. **Publicity:** How do you plan to publicize this grant?



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Please share your contact information.

Organization Name: _____

Name of Contact: _____

Position in Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

I certify that the submitted information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that grant money must be used only for those activities described in the grant proposal and, unless otherwise agreed upon, must be used by September 30, 2012. I agree to include the Women's Fund name in all publicity regarding this grant (e.g. This project was made possible by a grant from the Women's Fund of the Community Foundation of Central Illinois).

Signature and Date

Submission Information:

Deadline: September 1, 2011 by Noon.

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