



Building Community. Creating Impact

COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION

Darryl Worley Foundation is calling for proposals to provide financial support to community-based organizations of Middle/West Tennessee and North Mississippi serving the counties of Hardin, McNairy, Wayne, Decatur, Lawrence, Alcorn and Tishomingo. Awards are intended to support ongoing community support, serving in 4 focal areas: youth and future generations, disaster preparedness and relief, silver linings support (seniors and veterans) and Pathways to Healing (mental and physical wellbeing). Awardees will be selected to receive grants in each category totaling up to \$30,000. Grant applications may be requested for funds from \$500 - \$5000. Non-profit organizations requesting a grant can submit applications to the Foundation for these 4 pillars:

- **Youth and Future Generations: February 9 – March 2, 2026**
- **Silver Linings Support: May 4 – May 29, 2026**
- **Pathways to Healing: August 3 - 28, 2026**
- **Disaster Preparedness and Relief (open application process based on community need)**

Grant Review Process

- Applications will be reviewed for consideration by the Darryl Worley Foundation's Board of Directors.
- Applicants could be selected for a panel review process.
- Applications will be reviewed by the Board 30 days after application deadline; applicants will be notified either awarded or denied, 6 weeks after the application is submitted.

APPLICATION CRITERIA

Eligible applications must:

- Be a US-based, 501(c)(3) public charity in Middle/ West Tennessee and North MS and serve the counties of Hardin, McNairy, Wayne, Decatur, Lawrence, Alcorn and Tishomingo counties
- Have received their letter of determination from the Internal Revenue Service at least two years ago.

- Grants must support specific programs or projects with relevant outcomes in alignment with the Foundation's 4 giving pillars.

Organizations cannot request support for the following:

- Lobbying or Political Activities or Campaigns
- New construction/real estate investment
- Endowments
- Scholarship, fundraising and staff salaries

Application Materials

Your complete application must include:

- 501(c)(3) IRS determination letter
- Copy of the organization's latest W-9
- Audited Financial Statements (if budget is 1 million dollars or over)
- Current year Tennessee and/or Mississippi Charitable Solicitation Letter
- Current fiscal year operating budget
- Project budget for the grant funding being requested

Organizational Overview

1. Organization Name: _____

2. Contact Person Name and Title:

3. Email Address: _____

4. Phone Number: _____

5. Executive Director/CEO Name: _____

6. Executive Director/CEO email: _____

Type Of Grant Applying:

____ Youth & Future Generations ____ Disaster Preparedness and Relief
 ____ Silver Linings Support (Seniors & Veterans) ____ Pathways to Healing

What counties does your organization serve:

- ____ Hardin
- ____ McNairy
- ____ Wayne
- ____ Decatur
- ____ Lawrence
- ____ Alcorn
- ____ Tishomingo

7. Organization's Address:

8. Organization's Mission Statement:

9. Organization's website: _____

10. What year was the organization founded? _____

11. How many full-time staff do you have? _____

12. How many part-time staff do you have? _____

Organization's Programs and Needs

1. What programs and services do you currently offer?

2. How do your current programs and services address the pillar you are applying for support from the Foundation?

3. How do you currently measure and evaluate the overall success of your organizational programs?

Program Description and Grant Usage

1. Grant funds requested (minimum of \$500 and maximum of \$5000):
2. In 2 paragraphs or less, please describe the program/initiative you are seeking funding for as a part of this grant? What goals and objectives do you aim to achieve?
3. What is the timeline of the program implementation?
4. How will you measure success of the program? What is your mechanism for capturing impact data?
5. What potential challenges might the program face?
6. What is the total budget for the proposed program?
7. How many people do you intend to directly benefit from the program/initiative throughout 2026? Of the total number of people directly impacted, how many will be supported through the grant provided by Darryl Worley Foundation?
8. If Darryl Worley Foundation is unable to provide the total amount of grant fund requested, would you be interested in partial funding?

Executive Director/CEO signature: _____

Date: _____

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