



ELIGIBILITY AND FUNDING APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Application for a new grant begins with a letter from the agency's board of directors to our United Way board, alerting the United Way that application will be initiated. If an agency does not meet the eligibility standards below, the agency's application will not be considered.

ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY

- Agencies/organizations providing health and human service programs
- Agencies/organizations that provide services in eastern Wayne County
- Non-profit organizations - 501©(3) status or other
- We will consider applications for funding programs of schools and governmental organizations, as long as they are specific and discreet programs/projects and not covered by tax funds.
- We will consider funding new or existing programs as long as they meet our criteria to nurture children and youth, help in hard times, develop life skills and promote health and wellness.

WHAT WE DO NOT FUND

- Political campaigns
- Sectarian programs (we will fund a program of a religious organization as long as the program doesn't include religious content and is open to all)
- Loan payments or deficit spending
- Capital campaigns for buildings, etc. We will fund program-related equipment.

PROGRAMS MORE LIKELY TO BE FUNDED WILL:

- Address identified and/or emerging community health and human service needs
- Benefit a significant number of people
- Deliver services efficiently and cost-effectively
- Encourage self-reliance
- Focus on prevention
- Avoid duplication of services
- Enhance cooperation and collaboration among organizations