

ARKANSAS LGBTQ+ ADVANCEMENT FUND

The Arkansas LGBTQ+ Advancement Fund supports organizations working to improve the quality of life for LGBTQ+ Arkansans by providing legal, health, education, advocacy or other high-demand services/programs.

The Fund will distribute grants for Arkansas-based organizations that provide critical services to the LGBTQ+ community. National entities with a local presence, established in-state partnerships and strong community relationships will also qualify.

Applications will be accepted from Oct. 11 until Nov. 22, 2021.

Applications submitted after Nov. 22 and will be considered in subsequent rounds of review.

There are two funding opportunities:

PROGRAM GRANTS

CRITERIA: These grants will support the program costs for initiatives that directly support services to the Arkansas LGBTQ+ community. Organizations must be headquartered in Arkansas or have a significant basis of operation in Arkansas (for example, an office, staff person or on-the-ground programs.) Grants will range from \$25,000 to \$150,000, although grants outside that range may be considered under exceptional circumstances. This is a one-time grant that may be expended over 1 – 2 years.

IMPACT GRANTS

CRITERIA: These grants are for Arkansas-based grassroots organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ communities with an annual operating budget of \$150,000 or less and must provide services to LGBTQ+ Arkansans as an explicit focus of the organization. These grants will be \$25,000 and less. The purpose of this funding is to strengthen and support local organizations led by and serving the LGBTQ+ community. This is a one-time grant for general operating support that may be expended over 1 – 2 years.

Grants will be reviewed on a rolling basis by a selection committee that includes leadership from the funder community and representation from the LGBTQ+ community both locally and nationally.

Funds may not be used for lobbying or partisan political activity.



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WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

501(c) (3) organizations, public schools, churches, hospitals and government entities are eligible to apply. Other organizations that do not qualify for tax-exempt status are not eligible.

Organizations must have a mission that directly incorporates work on behalf of LGBTQ+ community OR intend to incorporate services for LGBTQ+ individuals into the delivery of the organization's larger programs and mission.

To complete an application and for more information visit www.arcf.org/lgbtq or call 501-372-1116.

The deadline for applications is 11:59 p.m. Central Time on Nov. 22, 2021.

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