Request for Proposals

Tufts University Experimental College Philanthropy Class

Application for Funding

With $10,000 in funding from the Highland Street Foundation, Tufts University Experimental College Philanthropy Class, Jumbo Change, functions as a foundation board and seeks grant proposals from Somerville, Medford and Chinatown nonprofit organizations meeting the criteria outlined below.

Jumbo Change Mission: To break down barriers to the access of affordable housing with a particular focus on the prevention of eviction, foreclosure, and homelessness.

Requirements:

- Applicants must be a 501(c)3 or operate under a fiscal agent
- Applicants must embody the values of community, equity, and/or justice; and support, advocate for, or empower marginalized populations
- Capacity-building projects/activities preferred (critical resources needed to leverage a project’s/organization’s success)
- No sponsorship funding

We are particularly interested in projects that address our mission in one or more of the following ways:

- Participate in providing a continuum of care in facilitating housing transitions
- Provide legal support and financial literacy education
- Work with immigrant communities to overcome language barriers
- Help women who are homeless because of domestic violence
- Assist with housing searches, provide budgeting help and education, and offers leads on rentals

Applications due 5pm, Friday, April 3, 2015

Please email to nancy.lippe@tufts.edu

Phone contact information: Nancy Lippe, instructor, 650-766-7887
A. Cover sheet: Please include the following organization information:
   Organization name and address
   Person responsible for managing project/work
   Contact phone number and email
   Organization mission
   Project title and mission (if different)
   Amount of Grant Request
   Organization’s theory of change
   Project’s theory of change (if different)

Please attach:
• Organization budget and, if relevant, a project budget
• Staff list and board list with affiliations.
• IRS tax exemption letter or fiscal agent written letter of agreement.

B. Grant Request (please limit to 2 pages if possible)

1. Describe your request. Please be specific.
2. Provide a brief history of the work/project leading to this request.
3. Whom does the project/work serve?
4. What are the goals and desired outcomes of the work for which you seek funding? How do they relate to the overall goals of your organization?
5. How will you know if you meet those goals?
6. What is the timetable to for meeting those goals?
7. Describe your financial plan to support this work this year. What are your longer-term plans to sustain the work, if applicable?

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