

GREENSBURG FOUNDATION FUND GRANTS

2026 REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

WHO WE ARE

The Community Foundation of Westmoreland County was founded in 1995 by local leaders of Westmoreland County to encourage philanthropy, build a sense of place and embrace the spirit of community. Our mission is to encourage residents to become philanthropists, provide grants that support a wide variety of charitable organizations and serve as a community leader. Having merged with The Pittsburgh Foundation in 2010, the Community Foundation of Westmoreland County continues to work with county residents to encourage that spirit of giving and investment in community organizations and residents.

GREENSBURG FOUNDATION FUND

The Greensburg Foundation Fund (GFF) is an established endowment fund within the Community Foundation of Westmoreland County. The endowment is a combination of trusts that were established by more than twenty-five individuals and families from Greensburg to support organizations that serve the needs of that community.

GFF was created to provide Greensburg nonprofits with the **opportunity to request funds for program materials, office technology, renovations, capital needs and/or program implementation.**

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Organizations
- Community Development Corporations
- Faith Based Organizations
- Civic or Community Groups
- Neighborhood Organizations

Groups without nonprofit status will need to partner with a 501(c)(3) organization to serve as their Fiscal Agent. The Fiscal Agent must be a 501(c)(3) in good standing with the IRS, provide a letter indicating willingness to serve as a fiscal agent and an IRS determination letter.

Nonprofit organizations headquartered in Westmoreland County AND serving residents of the 15601 zip code may apply. Preference will be given to nonprofits headquartered in 15601.

Applicants must be in operation and actively serving the community for at least three (3) years to be eligible for funding.

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Funding awarded through this RFP **cannot** support the following:

- Capital campaigns
- Endowments
- Fundraising events
- Lobbying
- Grassroots organizing
- Staff support for government units or public agencies
- Scholarships

The following are **NOT** eligible to apply for funding:

- For-profit entities
- Individuals
- Political Groups
- Religious Organizations for Religious Purposes
- Individual Businesses

Limitations

- Only one application will be considered per organization.
- Limited to services provided in the 15601 zip code.

Priority will be given to organizations that

- **Have not** received a Greensburg Foundation Fund grant in the last two years (2024 – 2025).
- **Have not** received an Impact Grant or Community Grant in 2026.

GRANT RANGE

This is a competitive process and an estimated \$100,000 in grants will be awarded. Awards will be up to \$15,000 per organization.

The entirety of the grant must be expended within the grant period (December 2026 to November 2027).

REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS

Grant applications will be reviewed, evaluated, and selected by members of the Community Foundation of Westmoreland County's Advisory Board and staff.

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Applications will be reviewed based on the following criteria with each element being rated on a four-point scale.

Rating Scale

1. Insufficient
Response is missing, unclear, or does not address the criterion in a meaningful way.
2. Developing
Some relevant information but major gaps, limited detail, or weak alignment; raises notable concerns.
3. Well Defined
Clear, well-defined response that addresses the criterion with appropriate detail; represents a solid, competitive answer.
4. Exceptional
Highly detailed, compelling response that demonstrates exceptional clarity, alignment, and potential impact; stands out compared to typical proposals.

Criteria

- Clarity of the need (what happens if this is not funded, and why now).
- Strength and feasibility of the project/program design, including clear objectives, activities, timeline, and realistic implementation plan.
- Program / project budget aligns with the requested funds and proposed activities.
- Organizational capacity to carry out the proposed work (staffing, experience, partnerships).

APPLICATION PROCESS

Additional information, including access to the RFP and online application portal can be found at <https://cfwestmoreland.org/greensburg-foundation-fund>.

All applications must be submitted using the online application portal.

The application consists of a series of questions regarding your organization and submission of the following documents:

- Current Board Member roster or Advisory Board if fiscally sponsored
- Organization's current fiscal year budget
- Most recent balance sheet (Example from Board Source:
<https://blog.boardsource.org/blog/making-financial-statements-less-scary>)
- Copy of audit/financial review for the most recently ended fiscal year

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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

RFP Released and Application Process Opens	Wednesday, September 23, 2026
Applications Due	Friday, October 16, 2026 by 11:59pm
Grants Announced	Wednesday, November 25, 2026

QUESTIONS?

For technical assistance regarding the use of the online application, please email systemsupport@pghfdn.org.

For questions and guidance regarding the application itself, please contact McCrae Martino, Executive Director at martinom@cfwestmoreland.org or 724-836-4400 x125.