



Alleviating Hunger and Homelessness: 2019 Small Capital Grant Program

Foundation for MetroWest (FFMW) is now accepting applications for the Alleviating Hunger and Homelessness Grant Program, a one-time small capital grant opportunity for nonprofits addressing hunger, homelessness, and/or homelessness prevention in our region. This program has been made possible by a generous anonymous donor who recognizes the importance of investing in the capital needs of organizations providing these basic and emergency support to our neighbors in need. This is a one-time grant through FFMW and will not be renewed.

GRANT PROCESS

The 2019 grant cycle is an online process and will operate based on the following timeline:

- March 25 9:00 AM Applications open online: www.bit.ly/ffmw_foundant
- April 3 3:00PM Information session¹
- May 3 5:00 PM Deadline to submit LOI
- Month of May..... Potential site visits
- Early June..... Applicants notified of decision

Funds must be spent by November 1, 2019 with a final report due to FFMW by November 15, 2019.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must:

- Have 501(c)(3) tax status as a registered nonprofit organization **OR** have an eligible fiscal sponsor
- Address the issues of hunger, homelessness, and/or homelessness prevention
- Serve the MetroWest region

TYPES OF GRANTS AWARDED

The Alleviating Hunger and Homelessness Small Capital Grant Program will accept requests of up to \$10,000 for specific capital needs only.

Capital needs may include:

- Food storage or kitchen needs (e.g., shelving, storage, tables, major commercial or residential kitchen appliances)
- Furniture or other household appliances (e.g., beds, dressers, washer/dryers, couches, etc.)
- Transportation (e.g., shelving for mobile market vehicle, partial funding for a vehicle, van sharing collaborations)
- Technology (e.g., laptops/computers, phones)
- Facilities work (e.g., renovation/refurbishment, new construction)

¹ To be held at Morse Institute Library, Lebowitz Meeting Hall. Register here: http://bit.ly/mwhrf_info_session



Please Note – MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund will continue to offer its separate general operations grant process. Hunger relief organizations can apply to both grant programs if they have projects or needs that are eligible for both programs.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Beginning March 25th, applicants will have access to the application form online*.
2. If your organization is new to FFMW, please create an account.
 - a. www.bit.ly/ffmw_foundant
 - b. See www.bit.ly/ApplicantTutorial for a short video tutorial.
3. If your organization has applied to FFMW in the past, please log into your existing account.
 - a. www.bit.ly/ffmw_foundant
4. Once you are logged into your account, click on the Apply icon from the top menu bar.
5. Select **2019 Alleviating Hunger and Homelessness LOI**.

DEADLINE TO APPLY: MAY 3, 2019 AT 5:00 PM

If you have questions regarding the eligibility or suitability of your application, email grants@foundationformetrowest.org as early as possible to schedule a time to discuss.

*If you require a paper application, please call 508.647.2260 or email grants@foundationformetrowest.org and we would be happy to accommodate your needs.