

WYWF 2011 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Total Funds Available: \$50,000.00

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Thursday, September 1, 2011 by 5pm



WYOMING WOMEN'S FOUNDATION

Funding Priorities:

The Wyoming Women's Foundation makes grants to organizations that support the **long-term economic self-sufficiency** of women and opportunities for girls in Wyoming. We prioritize organizations and programs that address systems change; getting in front of an issue that affects women and/or girls that impacts their economic self-sufficiency. Funding priorities identified for 2011 include:

1) Job Opportunity/Education & Training

- Access to job opportunities that pay a self-sufficient wage
- Education or training that lead to jobs paying a self-sufficient wage
- Financial literacy training
- Efforts that support closing the gender wage gap

2) Women and Girls' Leadership, Empowerment, and Mentoring

These activities need not be in the form of new programs or projects. Grant funds may support activities to make current programs more effective, improve organizational efficiency to directly benefit women and/or girls, or support advocacy efforts. Please see the grants section of our website: www.wywf.org for brief descriptions of past grantee projects.

Eligibility Requirements:

Grant applicants must meet the following criteria:

Have 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status through their own organization or sponsoring agency. Grants are NOT made to individuals.

Must request grants designed with the specific purpose of promoting long-term economic self-sufficiency of women and opportunities for girls living within the state of Wyoming.

Be prepared to receive a phone call or host a scheduled site visit for proposal evaluation.

How to Apply:

Thoroughly read the Funding Priorities, Eligibility Requirements, and all additional Application Instructions.

- Complete the electronic application which can be found on our website www.wywf.org. When applying, be certain all requested materials which need to be attached are included. Be sure to print off one copy for your records. **Do not hesitate to contact us if you encounter any issues with the electronic application process.**

- Applications must be received by **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2011.**

Following proposal review, organizations may be selected to receive a site visit or follow-up telephone interview with WYWF board members or staff. Applicants will be notified of funding decisions by end of **November**.

Please note: All grantees will be required to use our online *Making the Case* reporting/assessment tool which will help in evaluating systems change being made through granted funds. WYWF staff will assist grantee organizations in learning the tool. Grantees will also be required to include financial data when submitting a final report. Please contact us with any concerns or questions.



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