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Call For Funding Applications

One-time Grants – Community Impact Grants

In addition to member agency funding, United Way awards a number of one-time grants each year. Previously, these grants were called New Initiative Funding (NIFs). As a result of changes to United Way's investment strategy, these new grants are called Community Impact Grants. These grants are provided once annually and must address specific areas of social concern as identified by United Way of Greater Simcoe County through public consultation and commissioned research reports. This funding stream provides an opportunity for Simcoe County agencies to address and respond to emerging issues in their communities.

Eligibility for Grants

Eligibility requirements are:

- must be incorporated and registered as a charitable organization under the Canada Income Tax Act. If not incorporated, organization may partner with a registered charity for flow through purposes.
- must provide services and/or programs to local communities in the geographic area of Simcoe County excluding the area serviced by United Way South Georgian Bay
- must provide services and/or programs of a health and social service nature which does not unnecessarily duplicate existing services and/or programs
- must be volunteer led and have volunteer involvement - effectively use volunteers in the delivery of service

The United Way will not fund:

- direct funds to individuals
- capital construction costs
- fund raising efforts
- deficit funding
- program operation reserves
- dollar for dollar replacement of government funding

Targeted Community Impact Grants Guidelines:

For the October 2009/September 2010 funding year, Community Impact Grants will be provided to agencies that are addressing the human care agenda in three targeted areas:

- Meeting basic needs
- Crisis intervention and emergency services

- Increasing accessibility

Some examples of the type of services offered may include:

- Access to food and food security
- Access to affordable housing
- Income security/financial literacy
- Early childhood development
- Increasing social networks and inclusion through civic engagement and meaningful participation
- Increasing mobility

Agency collaboration is highly encouraged and clearly articulating community trends and specific needs is highly desirable. For additional Simcoe County context we draw your attention to the Simcoe County profile at the following link:

<http://www.unitedwaysimcoecounty.on.ca/pdf/Simcoe%20County%20Profile.pdf>

Additionally, a local Simcoe County steering committee is emerging that is addressing poverty reduction. Successful agency applicants are highly encouraged to participate in this leadership round table so that we may collectively address the impacts of poverty by examining our systems and policy environment and to coordinate public education and awareness raising activities.

One-time grants up to \$8,000

August 21st application deadline

Applicants will be informed of funding decisions at the end of September

A Final Report is required

For Funding Application Forms, please visit our website at

www.unitedwaysimcoecounty.on.ca or call 726-2301