



**KANSAS HEALTH**  
FOUNDATION

# **IMPACT AND CAPACITY GRANTS INITIATIVE**

## **2020 Request for Proposals**

Designed to support nonprofits across Kansas that work daily to improve health in our state as they respond to emergent needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic



## BACKGROUND

The Kansas Health Foundation (KHF), based in Wichita, is statewide in focus. With a mission to improve the health of all Kansans, KHF envisions a culture in which every Kansan can make healthy choices where they live, work and play. KHF defines health as a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity. In pursuit of this vision and mission, KHF recognizes that a field of strong nonprofit organizations is essential. We also recognize that in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, essential services like food, healthcare, housing, etc. are more in demand than ever before. We also know many nonprofits are shifting conversations about sustainability to survivability because of the compounding economic crisis.

With this in mind, KHF is deploying our annual Impact and Capacity Grant (ICG) Initiative, normally focused on making progress within KHF's four impact areas, to aid nonprofits whose daily work is improve and sustain health in Kansans during this time of crisis.

## INTRODUCTION

KHF will consider proposals submitted for the 2020 Impact and Capacity Grants (ICG) Initiative Request for Proposals (RFP) opportunity from organizations working to address the impacts of COVID-19. Nonprofits mission-aligned with KHF are eligible to request grants of up to \$25,000 for organizational recovery to maintain operational stability, or to bolster responses to support those communities and populations most impacted.

ICG funds of \$2M are limited and are available between **April 13, 2020 through August 31, 2020 or until all 2020 funds are awarded.**

## WHO SHOULD APPLY

Eligible organizations are Kansas nonprofits classified as:

- Tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code – sub-sections 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) with a filed 990 form
- Government entity with a Federal Employer Identification number
- Church with a Group Ruling Letter

Eligible applicants are qualifying Kansas organizations whose missions align with KHF's. One proposal from each organization is accepted per year; those organizations with multiple branches/programs/locations across the state may submit one proposal per location per year.

Please note, if an applicant has an active grant from KHF, the organization *is* eligible to apply provided what is being proposed is to address the impacts of COVID-19 and is not duplicative in terms of how active funds are being utilized.

### When to Apply

8:00 AM CT April 13, 2020 through 5:00 PM CT August 31, 2020 or until all ICG funds are expended

### Maximum Grant Amount

\$25,000

### Grant Term

One year

### Where to Apply

[kansashealth.org](https://kansashealth.org)

Refer to the **Frequently Asked Questions** section of the website before applying.

# WHAT WE FUND

Requests for funding are accepted between 8:00 AM CST on April 10, 2020 and 5:00 PM CST on August 31, 2020 or until all funds are awarded, whichever occurs first. The maximum grant size is \$25,000. Award grant term is one year and starts the date the application is submitted. These funds are intended to support two categories of efforts: 1) to respond to this pandemic (*COVID-19 response*), as well as 2) support for the core operations of local nonprofits so that they may continue to serve Kansas communities, particularly those that are being most impacted by this crisis (*COVID-19 recovery*). Nonprofits receiving grants will have the discretion to decide how funds would be best utilized to maintain as much organizational stability as possible as well as maintain continuity of services. Organizations who are positioned to offer additional community support during this time of need may also apply for funding to aid in the necessary expansion of critical service delivery. Examples include, but are not limited to:

## **COVID-19 Response:**

- Funding for critical safety-net needs for the clients of nonprofits, including, medical care, food security, childcare, housing and transportation for those affected by the pandemic.
- Support to build and develop pandemic education and prevention strategies for an organization's staff and/or clients.
- Prevention-related expenses for items such as sanitizing supplies and equipment for frontline works, or professional cleaning of common areas of nonprofits.
- Telehealth and remote educational support (equipment, broadband access).
- Unexpected work-from-home expenses, which could include establishing collaboration platforms and secure file sharing.

## **COVID-19 Recovery:**

- Costs for offering services to a nonprofit's clients in ways that reduce the risk of transmitting COVID-19 (for example, offering pick-up or home-delivered meals rather than serving congregated meals, or providing virtual rather than in-person service delivery).
- Support to stabilize critical safety-net nonprofits that provide services to vulnerable populations such as healthcare clinics, food banks, schools and mental health centers.
- Operational funding, supplies, equipment and other program costs for organizations that are trying to minimize exposure for high-risk groups while meeting their basic needs.

Grant funding is not available for the following:

- Nonprofits that do not focus on health and/or social determinants of health
- Contributions to capital campaigns
- Operating deficits or retirement of debt
- Construction projects, real estate acquisitions, or endowments, not part of a Foundation-initiated program<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Construction is defined as any permanent fixture that cannot be moved or relocated. Examples: walking trails, playgrounds, basketball courts, etc.

## FUNDING CRITERIA

In reviewing proposals submitted through the 2020 ICGs to support COVID-19 responses and/or recovery efforts, consideration will be given to:

- Organization's connection to improving health in the state; and
- Extent to which they describe a *critical need* in terms of responding/recovering from the impacts of COVID-19 and how these funds will support efforts to address the issue(s).

## HOW TO APPLY

Requests for this funding opportunity are being accepted April 10 through August 31, 2020 by 5:00PM CST, or ***until all designated 2020 funds are awarded***. Any ICG proposals will not be considered for funding after that time. Proposals should be submitted through KHF's [online portal](#). Applicants may visit <https://kansashealth.org/grant-opportunities/icg-2020/> to learn more, or call KHF at 316-262-7676 and leave a message requesting assistance. **Please note, to submit a proposal, applicants must have previously created a user account, or must work with KHF staff to request to become a user in KHF's grantmaking portal.** Due to the high volume of portal registration requests KHF typically receives, we recommend requesting access at least two days before you plan to submit a proposal.

Within the proposal being submitted through the portal, applicants will be asked for the following information:

1. Project title
2. Requested grant amount
3. Description of how the organization works to sustain or improve health in Kansas
4. COVID-19 related needs of the organization and how these funds will help address those
5. How funds will be spent
6. Organization information including
  - a. Legal name (and also known as, if applicable)
  - b. Tax ID number
  - c. Address
  - d. Phone number
  - e. Mission
7. Primary point of contact for organization

## HOW FUNDING IS DISPERSED

Assuming a complete application, applicants are typically notified within 15 business days of submitting a proposal whether they will receive an award. Funds are issued upon KHF's receipt of a completed authorization form and W9 for direct deposits from the awarded organization.

## REPORTING

To minimize administrative burden, no reporting requirements are associated with these 2020 ICG grant awards which are all being directed to COVID-19 relief efforts.