



## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Community Impact Grants

### 2010 Request for Proposals

#### 2010 FUNDING PRIORITIES

To celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Women's Fund will award one \$20,000 community initiated grant in each of three focus areas that have historically been among our highest priorities. It is the intent of the Board of Directors to recognize agencies with programs that have made a consistent and significant contribution to positive progress on behalf of their clients in one of the following three areas:

- Leadership development
- Economic self-sufficiency
- Domestic violence

Organizations may submit only one application. Grants will be presented at the Women's Fund Fall Luncheon on October 21, 2010.

#### CRITERIA FOR FUNDING:

1. Only 501(c) (3) organizations in the Omaha metropolitan area are eligible. However, an organization based outside of Omaha with an active program in Omaha will be considered.
2. Only programs where at least 75% of clients served are women over the age of 18 will be considered.
3. Grants are not made to individuals.
4. Grants are not given for endowments or capital campaigns.
5. Less consideration is given to applications from tax supported institutions, individual churches and similar religious groups, veteran and labor organizations, social clubs and fraternal organizations.

In making its funding decisions, the Women's Fund will give special consideration to:

- Organizations for which women are the primary decision makers.
- Organizations that address the needs of low-income and underserved women and women of color.
- Organizations demonstrating a specific and measurable impact on those served.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

**Submit 10 copies of the application including the following attachments:**

1. IRS letter confirming the organization's 501 (c)(3) status.
2. Actual income and expense statements for the past and current fiscal years, identifying principal sources of revenue.
3. Names of the Board of Directors and their principal occupation.
4. Signed testimonials from 2 clients regarding impact of organization in the application's focus area.

Please paperclip the 10 individual copies – no staples.

In addition, submit one (1) copy of the organization's most recent audited financial statement. No other supporting materials should be provided.

Applications **MUST** be received by 4 p.m. April 28, 2010 at:

**Women's Fund of Greater Omaha  
7602 Pacific St, Ste 300 Street, Omaha, NE 68124**

No handwritten, faxed or emailed copies will be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. There are no exceptions.

Direct questions to 827-9280 or [sthompson@omahawomensfund.org](mailto:sthompson@omahawomensfund.org)

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**HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT PREPARING YOUR GRANT?**

**WOMEN'S FUND GRANT WORKSHOP**

**Friday, March 19 2-3:30 p.m.**

**Methodist Hospital Centennial Room**

**(second floor conference room by the cafeteria)**

To register call 827-9280 or e-mail [sthompson@omahawomensfund.org](mailto:sthompson@omahawomensfund.org)



**WOMEN'S FUND OF GREATER OMAHA**  
**Application for 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Community Impact Grants**

Please type or print clearly.

**Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson of the Governing Body: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGENCY INFORMATION**

Date Established: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Employees (Full-time equivalent): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Board Members: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent Female: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent Minority: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief general description of the organization and its purpose, including a description of the population and number served.

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Fiscal Year Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Total Organization Operating Expenses: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (2009) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (2010)

Does your organization have an endowment? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No Supporting foundation? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If yes, does it make operating funds available for programs in this focus area? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature & Title

(Officer of Governing Board)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Please adhere to the recommended space limitations and content guidelines as provided below:

**Priority Area** (select one):

**Leadership development**     **Economic self-sufficiency**     **Domestic violence**

- I. Program Description** (Not to exceed two pages)  
Describe the organization's program(s) within the past five years in the priority area selected. Include time frames, target populations served, how clients were served, etc.
- II. Historical Program Impact** (Not to exceed two pages)  
Provide details of program(s) overall impact in this priority area. Include specific examples and outcomes that explain how the agency's clients have benefited from the organization's work in this focus area.
- III. Community Impact** (Not to exceed one page)  
Describe how your organization's work in this priority area has contributed to positive change in the community at large. Examples include how the work has resulted in system change; how the organization has collaborated to broaden impact; how community awareness has been raised.
- IV. Future Impact** (Not to exceed one page)  
What impact(s) do you anticipate from this grant award? Describe the measurable outcomes you anticipate as a result of this funding. (Note: you will be asked to report these outcomes in your final grant report.)

NOTE: A thorough review of your grant may involve contacting a variety of people including your board members, other agencies, other grant makers, your clients, and members of the community. If you do not wish us to contact any one or all of these groups, please advise us in writing. The Foundation maintains a file on all agencies that have applied or received its grant monies. These files are open to community donors.

*The mission of the Women's Fund is to examine issues and conduct research to provide informed support for initiatives that improve the lives of metropolitan area women and girls.*