

# COMMUNITY INVESTMENT GRANT

## Application Requirements



### Eligibility & Selection Criteria

Applicants must provide services within the United Way of Mid & South Jefferson jurisdiction

(zip codes) 77619, 77627, 77640, 77641, 77642, 77643, 77651, 77655 & cities included Groves, Nederland, Port Arthur, Port Neches, and Sabine Pass

- Once the Letter of Intent is submitted it will be reviewed and if it meets basic criteria, an invitation to apply will be made via e-mail in January.
- Applications will be reviewed only if the packet submitted is completed and all requested documentation is included at time of submission. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed by the committee.

### Eligibility Requirements

- An active local or regional governing board (primarily residing in Jefferson County) of adequate size, background, and diversity to represent the community, serving without compensation, holding regular, documented meetings (at least quarterly) and demonstrating effective administrative control.
- Clearly stated, measurable objectives for each program seeking Community Investment Funds.
- A program that addresses a clearly demonstrated community need in reference to at least one of the three areas of United Way focus of Education, Income and Health.
- A satisfactory past record of providing community services demonstrated by two years of service utilized by the community as evidenced by service utilization figures; individual program financing during this time period from several sources (including at least one that is inherent to the community.)

### Grant FAQ's

- Letter of Intent Due 12/15/2024
- Letter of Intent required for all unaffiliated applicants
- Application Released Jan. 2025
- Applications Due Jan 22, 2025
- Site Visits & Interviews March
- Grants Announced May

- A categorized operating budget system which translates program plans into financial terms; uses proper financial accounting procedures; regular annual financial reviews/audits, as outlined in the Annual Financial Reporting
- Policy of the UWMSJC, showing all income and disbursements in reasonable detail prepared by an independent Certified Public Accountant.



- Evidence of consultation and cooperation with established, related agencies to prevent duplication of effort and achieve efficiency and economy of operation.
- Programs available to citizens of the community without regard to race, religion, national origin, or political creed; Incorporated, non-profit corporation status under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue code. Demonstrated compliance with all applicable statutes and licensing, accreditation, and governmental code requirements.

### Community Investment Grant

United Way of Mid & South Jefferson County (UWMSJC)

recruits people and organizations that bring the passion, expertise and resources needed to get things done. We invite those agencies with programming supporting our four part focus and meeting the stated requirements to apply for grant funding.

**Healthy Community** - Improving health and well-being for all

**Financial Security** - Building Financial stability and strength

**Youth Opportunity** - Helping young people realize their full potential

**Community Resiliency** - Addressing urgent needs today for a better tomorrow