

# Community Response Fund Application

Name:	Employer Identification Number:		
Address:			
		Amount of Request:	
Description of program	or project and its charitable	purpose:	
Costs associated with pr	ogram or project:		
Criteria for distributing	aid:		



## Community Response Fund Granting Guidelines

The Greenwood Community Response Fund is an initiative of the Greenwood County Community Foundation meant to bring philanthropic donors and businesses together in support of those nonprofit organizations providing relief after natural or man-made disasters or undertaking preparations for future similar events.

### **Eligibility**

The following shall be eligible for grants made from the fund, provided that proposals of the same provide direct benefit to residents of Greenwood County:

- a. Organizations holding federal tax exemption pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code;
- b. Faith-based organizations; and,
- c. Governmental bodies or agencies thereof.

#### **Grant Limits**

- An eligible organization may receive a grant in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
- Grants made from the fund shall support the extraordinary programs of eligible organizations in providing
  or assisting in response, recovery and rebuilding from natural or man-made disasters and/or preparation for
  response, recovery and rebuilding from a future natural or man-made disaster.
- Within six months of receiving a grant, a grantee shall provide a final report that includes a summary of the services provided, the total expense of providing the same, and the geographic area served, and the number of individuals served.
- Eligible organizations who have previously received a grant or grants from the Community Foundation during the same calendar year shall also be eligible for grants made from the fund.
- Expenses charged against this grant may not be incurred prior to the start date of the grant.
- The Community Foundation shall require that grant funds be used as intended.
- The grantee shall return to the Foundation any unused funds at the end of the grant period. If the Foundation determines the grantee has not performed as set forth in the Terms of Grant agreement or if the grantee organization loses its status as a public charity, funds shall be returned to GCCF.
- Grants shall not be made from the Fund payable to an individual person or people, or for purposes of endowment development, capital campaigns or scholarships.
- Funding provided by the Foundation may not be used to participate or intervene in political campaigns or to support an attempt to influence legislation except to the extent that such activities are permissible under IRS rules for 501(c)(3) charitable organizations.



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To receive a grant from The GCCF Community Response Fund, all organizations must have the following information readily available. The Foundation may request these documents at any time during the application process and/or after receiving funds.

- Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) tax exemption letter OR fiscal sponsorship agreement
- Charitable registration letter from the South Carolina Secretary of State's Public Charities Section or a current letter stating that the organization is exempt from registration
- Vision, values, and mission statement
- Audited financial statements (Form 990)
- Staff listing
- Board of Directors roster

#### The Following will not be funded:

- Projects that are not directly associated with crisis relief or recovery efforts
- Endowment development or capital campaigns
- Sponsorships
- Individuals seeking assistance