Inside a Grantmaker’s Mind

The Long Island Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFPLI) invites nonprofit organizations to apply in advance for a grant to be awarded during the “Inside a Grantmaker’s Mind” session at Philanthropy Day. Imagine being able to meet and learn from some of Long Island’s most respected Foundation and Business Executives to truly learn in real time how Foundation guidelines matter, what they consider a well-done proposal and why organizations are awarded funds?

At this workshop, the panel of funders will share, through an interactive format, their processes for making a decision on “to fund or not to fund.” Among the nonprofit organizations (with an operating budget of up to $1,000,000), which submit applications that meet the guidelines, three finalists’ proposals will be selected for public review and discussion by the panelists. At the end of the session, three grants (in the amount of $2,500, $1,500 or $1,000), will be awarded.

Most importantly, ALL workshop attendees will glean valuable information as to the decision-making processes of real grant makers. Don’t hesitate to apply and take advantage of this unique opportunity!

Applicant Eligibility

1) You must be registered for the AFPLI 2017 Philanthropy Day as an all day, paid registrant.
2) You must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or have a fiscal agent that is a 501(c)(3).
3) Your organization must be located on Long Island and have at least two years of history providing service on Long Island.
4) Your organization’s budget must be $1,000,000 or less.
5) If selected as a finalist, you must be present at the grantmaking session.

Application Guidelines

1. To apply, submit the following:
   a. Narrative – in three pages or less, state your organization’s mission, name of the project/program for which you are seeking funding and why your organization is requesting this grant (the need for this project/program), what outcomes you hope to achieve, and how the funds will be spent if a grant is made.
b. Attachments
   i. Budget for the proposed project/program
   ii. Your organizational budget for the current year
   iii. A list of your Board of Directors, including organizational affiliations and occupations
   iv. A copy of your organization’s IRS letter of 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status

2. Send your application as an email attachment to info@afpli.org by no later than 5:00 p.m., **Friday, October 13.** Include in your email your name, title, organization’s name, address, phone number and email contact.

3. You will receive a receipt confirmation.

4. If you are selected as a finalist,
   i. Please note that your proposal will be made available to the session participants and funders will candidly discuss your proposal at the session for educational purposes.
   ii. You may be asked to provide additional documentation.
   iii. You must be registered and present for the session from 2:30-3:45pm on Friday, November 17.

*Deadline: Proposals must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday October 13th.*