

## Grant Funding Summary Purpose and Vision:

The Greater Lee's Summit Healthcare Foundation (GLSHF) is committed to funding projects that improve the overall health and well-being of the Lee's Summit community. Grants should support sustainable, community-centered initiatives that address healthcare and the broader social drivers of health, such as food security, education and safety.

### Core Funding Priorities:

## 1. Community Health & Well-Being:

- Project enhances health and wellness across all ages and populations in Lee's Summit. (Health is broadly defined to include access to care, preventive services, food security, mental health, and safety.)
- Initiative directly benefits underserved or vulnerable populations.

# 2. <u>Sustainability & Impact:</u>

- Grant supports sustainable efforts that can continue beyond initial funding. (Onetime needs such as equipment or seed funding for self-sustaining projects are prioritized over operational or ongoing expenses.)
- Applicants demonstrate how their program will remain viable after the grant period.

### 3. Mental, Behavioral, Preventive Health & Education:

- Proposal supports mental health services, trauma recovery, substance use prevention or treatment, and chronic disease prevention.
- Proposal includes efforts to reduce stigma and integrate behavioral health with physical health.
- Proposal supports programs that improve health literacy, encourage healthy behaviors, and prevent chronic disease. (Preventive strategies are seen as foundational to improving long-term public health.)

# 4. Efficiency & Scope:

- Grant requests considered from \$2,500 to \$10,000. (Requests with matching funds or other leveraged resources are encouraged.)
- Grant delivers significant community benefit with efficient use of funds.
- Grant demonstrates a high return on investment for community health.

#### 5. Measurable Goals & Evaluation:

- The Proposal includes clear goals and success metrics.
- The proposal includes an evaluation plan to measure outcomes.
- The proposal demonstrates accountability through tracking and reporting.

## 6. Health Equity & Social Drivers:

- Project addresses disparities in health outcomes based on race, income, geography, or access.
- The proposal includes efforts to reduce inequities.
- Grant promotes long-term, systemic changes in the community.

#### 7. Collaboration, Community Engagement, Promotion & Visibility:

- Project is led by or involves trusted local organizations with a track record of success.
- Grant is community-driven and/or multi-organizational.
- Project includes Community Health Workers (CHWs), given their ability to bridge gaps in access and reduce health disparities.
- This organization actively acknowledges GLSHF in their promotional efforts and demonstrates strong community outreach will receive higher consideration.

Preference is given to requests that can be self-supporting within a reasonable time.

Applicants may apply for multi-year grants.

Project based grants will be given preference over operational funding requests.

#### **GRANT REQUESTS:**

- Grant requests of \$2,500 to \$10,000 will be considered.
- Grant requests may be submitted from September 1st to October 31st.
- Grant awards are announced in January.
- All grant requests must be submitted through the GLSHF application.

#### RESTRICTIONS:

- Grants will be made to public charities for projects/proposals designed to impact the greater Lee's Summit area.
- Grants will not be made to, or for the benefit of, any individual.
- Grants will not be awarded for day-to-day operating expenses or salaries of any organization with the exception of "seed" dollars as mentioned in TYPES OF GRANTS below.

#### **TYPES OF GRANTS:**

This may include projects in the areas of:

- Research
- Education
- Public training programs
- Programs in schools
- Clinics for indigent care
- Equipment
- Services
- Other creative projects may be presented

#### **PAYMENT:**

Payments will be made on the following timeline: 50% of the funds are presented at the Grants Awards Celebration each February. 50% of the funds are mailed to recipients after the mid-year Interim Grant Report is received no later than August 31st.

The Final Grant Report cycle is due by November 30th and is required to be considered for any future request. Arrangements can be made if the recipient can demonstrate that they need all the funds up front and they are a recipient in good standing.

#### **GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

All application materials should be attached or emails to the foundation account. However, any items that cannot be attached to the online Grant Application should be submitted to:

The Greater Lee's Summit Healthcare Foundation P.O. Box 571 Lee's Summit, MO 64063

Email: glshf57l@gmail.com

Please reference the Grant Project or purpose. Regardless of the submission method you use, a GLSHF representative will reply to your submission to verify receipt.