# Community Benefit Contributions Grant Guidelines

At Dayton Children's, we are committed to living our mission of the relentless pursuit of optimal health for every child within our reach. Our community benefit contributions activities demonstrate this commitment to our community's children. We make these investments by supporting community benefit programs provided by local organizations through grant funding. Based on our Community Health Needs Assessment, Dayton Children's identifies the region's most pressing child health and safety issues and creates an implementation plan in which we build our community benefit activities. Contributions made to community benefit programs must be used to address community health needs through community health improvement services or community building activities.

### **Community Benefit Categories**

- Community Health Improvement Services These activities are carried out to improve community health. Such services do not generate patient care bills although they may involve a nominal fee. Examples include but are not limited to:
- Community health education
- Community-based clinical services, such as health services and screenings for underinsured and uninsured persons
- Support groups
- Health care support services, such as enrollment assistance in public programs and transportation efforts
- Self-help programs, such as smoking cessation and weight loss programs
  - Community Building Activities These activities improve the community's health and safety by addressing the root causes of health problems, such as poverty, homelessness, and environmental hazards. These activities strengthen the community's capacity to promote the health and well-being of its residents by offering the expertise and resources of the health care organization.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

- An organization who did not receive a Dayton Children's community benefit contributions grant award during the FY25 grant cycle (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025).
- Organizations are eligible to submit one grant application every other year.
- An organization who did not submit a Dayton Children's community benefit contributions grant application during the first round of the FY25 application window between June 5, 2024, and July 1, 2024.
- Applicant must be a 501(c)3 tax-exempt nonprofit recognized organization.
- An organization without 501(c)3 status can apply if it finds a 501(c)3 organization willing to sponsor its application by serving as a fiscal agent. A fiscal agent agreement must be established

between the two parties before submission of a grant application. Organizations cannot serve as a fiscal agent to more than one applicant/grantee in a fiscal cycle, without pre-authorization from the Dayton Children's.

- Organizations serving as fiscal agents are ineligible to use grant money for any expenses
  including but not limited to administration cost, processing cost, or any other cost associated
  with being a fiscal agent.
  - Applicant program must benefit the health of children and families in the Dayton Children's 20county service area.

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 Applicant program must address one of the community's health priority areas, priority factors, and outcomes based on Dayton Children's 2023 Community Health Needs Assessment and Implementation Strategy.

#### **CHNA PRIORITIES AND OUTCOMES** Priorities:

- Mental Health and Addiction
- Chronic Disease
- Maternal and Infant Health

#### Outcomes:

- Reduce mental health stigma
- Reduce mental health professional shortage areas
- Reduce depression treatment unmet need
- Reduce suicide deaths
- Reduce obesity
- Reduce childhood asthma morbidity
- Reduce child asthma hospitalizations
- Reduce infant mortality due to unsafe sleep conditions
- Increase lactation duration
- Reduce prematurity/Reduce infant mortality

### **Priority Factors:**

- Community Conditions
- Access to Care

#### Outcomes:

- Reduce poverty
- Improve kindergarten readiness/Improve well-child visit compliance
- Reduce food insecurity
- Reduce unmet needs, medical care

- Increase local access to healthcare services
- Reduce unmet need for mental health

Priority Programs: Place-Based Strategy In addition to the strategies identified above that address priority indicators and factors, Dayton Children's has chosen to identify several place-based strategies. The 2023 Community Health Needs Assessment and Implementation Strategy includes several strategies to directly address identified populations at a disproportionate risk for negative impacts to their health particularly based on race, economic status, and geographic region. The community benefit contributions committee gives priority to programs that are implemented in Geographic Priority Areas listed below in this section by awarding additional points for these priority factors/areas. These geographic regions include:

Northwest and West Dayton defined as ZIP codes 45405, 45406, and 45417

#### **Priorities**

- Infant Mortality
- Access to Care
- Mental Health

### **Strategies**

- Strategy 1: Integrate Hope Center Primary Care Practice/Dayton Children's Pediatrics Northwest into Promise Zone initiative.
- Strategy 2: Define and implement targeted interventions in 45417 to reduce health disparities and improve access to pediatric primary care.
- Strategy 3: Improve access to built-environment amenities for children.
- Old North Dayton defined as ZIP code 45404

### **Priorities**

- Infant Mortality
- Access to Care
- Mental Health

### **Strategies**

- Strategy 1: Implement Kinship Housing Project in Greater Old North Dayton
- Strategy 2: Build community network to support families in Old North Dayton.
- East Dayton defined as ZIP codes 45403 and 45410

### **Priorities**

- Infant Mortality
- Access to Care
- Mental Health

### **Strategies**

- Strategy 1: Build community network to support families in East Dayton.
- Strategy 2: Complete Ohio Health Improvement Zone (OHIZ) community assessment and asset map to identify community-driven health improvement initiatives.
- Strategy 3: Improve access to built-environment amenities for children and families.

Please review the 2023 Community Health Implementation Plan for more detailed information on each of the Geographic Priority Areas and the anticipated impact of the strategy and associated action steps, hospital resources to address the strategy and planned collaborations with community partners.

To review an advanced draft copy of the 2023 Community Health Implementation Plan, please submit your request to Cordell Williams via email at <a href="williamsc@childrensdayton.org">williamsc@childrensdayton.org</a>.

**Application Process** Funding decisions are made by the Community Benefits Subcommittee of the Board of Trustees of Dayton Children's Hospital (or designees). The size and number of contribution awards are directly related to the amount of money available each year and vary year to year. Awards are typically in the range of \$2,500 to \$15,000. The subcommittee reserves the right to make exceptions to the grant application process.

- To apply for funding, click here to access the application for Dayton Children's Community Benefit Contributions Grant.
- FY25 applications are due by July 1, 2024, by 11:59 pm.
- Award announcement will be provided by August 5, 2024.
- The grant process is based on a fiscal year starting July 1 and ending June 30. Available grant funding may vary from year to year and may be distributed over multiple funding rounds.
- Organizations are eligible to only submit one grant request per fiscal year (July 1 June 30), per organization.
- You will receive a letter to inform you of the result of your application. Funds will be available to all successful candidates within 90 days of committee approval.

**Grant Application** Grant applications will be required to respond to all the questions:

# **Applicant information**

- Name of Organization
- Mailing address, City, State, Zip
- Contact Person
- Contact Phone
- Contact Email
- Check Payable To

Tax ID

# **Organization Background**

- Describe your organization's qualifications, history, and experience serving families and children (500 word max)
- State if your organization has a diversity/inclusion policy
- State if your organization has a policy to protect children from physical/sexual abuse

### **Organization Background**

- Program name
- Total program budget
- Total funding request from Dayton Children's
- If other funding sources will support the program
- If you would accept partial funding
- Provide a summary of your proposed program (500-word max)
- Describe the data and evidence that supports your program recognized need (500-word max)
- Describe your organization's history and capacity to execute the activity (500-word max) your organization's qualifications, history, and experience serving families and children. (500-word max)
- Describe the program timeline (300-word max)
- Describe specific quantitative benefits of the program (500-word max)
- Describe how the activity addresses health disparities (500-word max)
- Describe how the activity helps your organization address a community health need identified in Dayton Children's Community Health Needs Assessment and/or other key community benefits (500-word max)

**Grantees Responsibility** As part of the funding terms, Dayton Children's requires the following commitment from grant recipients:

- A final report on the program must be submitted in a Microsoft Form established by Dayton Children's no later than 30 days following the end of the program or by July 30, 2025. If an organization's final report is past due and no attempt has been made by the organization to extend the final report deadline, the organization may be ineligible to receive any future financial support from Dayton Children's.
- This report should include a description of the outcomes or actions implemented with awarded funds.
- How the program addressed community health priorities identified in the Community Health Needs Assessment in addition to specific metrics highlighting specific improvements in community health.

- What specifically your organization was able to accomplish with the Dayton Children's community benefit contributions funding that might not otherwise been able to do.
- What impact on diversity, equity, and inclusion did your organization realize through this program?
- Photographs, with captions, showing the program in action (per privacy and HIPAA/PHI compliance guidelines). Minors shown in photos must have a signed Dayton Children's media release, if applicable.
  - If an organization's final report is past due and no attempt has been made by the organization to extend the final report deadline, the organization may be ineligible to receive any future financial support from Dayton Children's.
  - Acknowledgement of Dayton Children's in public information about the program.
     Dayton Children's may promote your program and subsequent final report in its communications to generate awareness in our community (annual report, website, newsletter, social media, etc.).
  - Involvement in a Dayton Children's annual partner survey, if requested.