



*Enabling Opportunity,
Expanding Horizons*

Guidelines & Restrictions

Please review the Foundation's Guidelines & Restrictions below and submit a letter of inquiry. If your inquiry is approved, you will receive a formal invitation to apply for a grant as well as a Grant Request Summary Sheet to be completed and returned. It is important to note that the Foundation is primarily engaged in funding organizations that contribute to the quality of early education in Washington State.

Guidelines

Each request will be evaluated on its own merits, based on the following criteria:

- The applicant must qualify as a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization.
- The applicant must have an active board of directors with policy-making authority.
- The board should demonstrate competence in the sound financial management of the organization.
- Grants are usually made for capital drives, endowments and specific program objectives, not operating budgets.
- Grants are generally to be expended within one year, without expectation of further support.
- Priority will be given to requests that show specific plans for funding beyond the present.

Restrictions

Grants will not be considered for:

- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, marital status, or handicap.
- Individuals other than scholarship recipients chosen by educational institutions.
- Political candidates, organizations, or committees.
- Religious organizations whose mission, policies or practices declare a purely denominational intent.
- Debt retirement, loans, investments or operating deficits.
- Team sponsorships, individual athletic endeavors, or travel expenses.
- Annual fund drives or administrative salaries.