

December 6, 2018

Dear Community,

Rose Youth Foundation, an initiative of Rose Community Foundation, engages Jewish high school students in collaborative grantmaking. In spring of 2019, Rose Youth Foundation will make grants totaling \$60,000 to support immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers in the Greater Denver Community. Grants will fund programs that welcome newcomers, help them achieve economic self-sufficiency and bridge cultural divides between welcoming and receiving communities.

Each year, Rose Youth Foundation members work together to explore Jewish teachings and traditions of giving, explore community needs, and practice strategic philanthropy. We, the 23 members of Rose Youth Foundation, encompass the spectrum of Jewish denominations and collectively we have identified the following Jewish values to guide our grantmaking:

- *Lo ta'amod al dam rei'echa*, Do not stand idly by: We will not stand by as our neighbors face increased barriers to a successful and enjoyable quality of life.
- *Ahavat ger*, Love the Stranger: We envision a more inclusive Denver community that connects, collaborates and assists newcomers, and respects and celebrates their countries of origins.

We invite nonprofit organizations that serve immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers to respond to this request for proposals. Up to \$60,000 is available to grant and we anticipate making grants that range from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Because funds are limited, it is anticipated that not all applicants will receive funding.

Sincerely,

Rose Youth Foundation 2018-2019 Members

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Grant Priority and Request for Proposals
Deadline: 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Denver is home to migrants from six continents; who speak over 140 languages and make up one-sixth of the cities' residents¹. They are our neighbors, co-workers, peers, friends and family members and many of them face inequitable barriers to success. We believe our community thrives when we recognize and celebrate the diverse and dynamic characteristics of its members, and members thrive from a self-sufficient and connected lifestyle.

We will fund organizations that provide support for immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. We recognize that our community is home to foreign-born residents on varying stages of their relocation journey and that those individuals and families have unique needs that range from basic needs assistance to job placement and voter registration. We are interested in funding projects that support people across their migration journey and experience.

As teen funders, we are particularly interested in efforts that provide educational services and support for immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. As students ourselves, we want to share the educational opportunity we have been afforded with those who must overcome more to access education. We understand important educational opportunities to include, but are not limited to: language support including English acquisition and translation services, financial literacy, civic engagement, integration services including public transportation and housing support, and academic achievement both for school age children and higher education².

We are also interested in funding opportunities that help promote an equitable access to public resources, services and economic opportunities for newcomers and foreign-born residents.

We envision funding efforts that are informed by the people they serve and have deep, transformative and lasting impacts on their lives. We hope these grants create safe and supportive environments for migrants to be active members of local communities and economies.

We will fund organizations that assist immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers with support for, but not limited to:

- basic needs assistance
- education and language services
- citizenship and legal assistance
- access to health care
- employment training and placement
- financial services

We will not fund:

- Advocacy
- Political lobbying

¹ "Denver Immigrant Community & Neighborhood Assessment" The Denver Office of Community Support. February, 2014

² Marquez, Christine. Nonprofit Impact, "Summary of Key Issues facing Refugees and Asylees"

Eligibility and Application Information

Deadline

All applications must be received through Rose Community Foundation's [online grants portal](#) by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 22, 2019. Late or incomplete proposals may not be considered. All applicants, regardless of whether or not their requests are granted, will be notified in late April 2019.

Funds Available to Grant and Grant Period

\$60,000 is available to grant for this Request for Proposals. Rose Youth Foundation anticipates making grants ranging in size from \$10,000 to \$15,000. Rose Youth Foundation makes one-year grants; funds must be expended between May 2019 and April 2020. Because funds are limited, it is anticipated that not all applicants will receive funding.

Eligibility Requirements

Rose Youth Foundation will accept proposals for programs that serve the seven-county Great Denver community of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson Counties. Programs with a broader geographic focus may apply; however, the application must address its relevance to and impact on people living within these seven counties.

Applicants must be nonprofit organizations with tax-exempt classification from the Internal Revenue Service or must have a formal fiscal sponsorship arrangement with a tax-exempt organization.

Organizations with a pending grant request to Rose Community Foundation may also apply for this grant opportunity. Organizations may only submit one application in response to this request for proposals. In cases where two or more organizations are partnering on a program or project, one organization should submit a single proposal on behalf of the partnership.

Questions

If you have questions about Rose Youth Foundation's funding priorities, contact Emily Kornhauser, Initiatives Manager, at ekornhauser@rcfdenver.org or 303.398.7417. If you have questions about the online grants portal, contact Kelli Rojas, Grants Manager, at krojas@rcfdenver.org or 303.398.7446.

Completing Your Application

Applications must be submitted online through Rose Community Foundation's online grants portal. You can access the portal [here](#) or at rcfdenver.org/login. You will need to create or log into an existing account to view and complete the grant application. Only applications submitted through Rose Community Foundation's online grants portal will be accepted.

After Submitting Your Application

Once you have submitted your online grant application, you will receive an email confirming your application was successfully submitted in the system. If you wish to access your application after submittal or to apply for another grant in the future, log in to your account by visiting rcfdenver.org/login to access the system.

Site Visits

Rose Youth Foundation will conduct site visits with some applicants as part of the grant review process. If your organization is selected for a site visit, the visit will take place between February 20 and March 29 and should include any key staff working on the project.

Application Questions and Required Attachments

All grant applications must be completed and submitted online where character limits are enforced. The following information is provided as a resource to help you prepare your proposal.

Section I

- Project Name (Character Limit: 100)
- Executive Director Name (Character Limit: 50)
- Name and Title of Primary Contact for this Project (Character Limit: 70)
- Primary Contact's Email Address (Character Limit: 50)
- Primary Contact's Phone Number (Character Limit: 20)
- Total Grant Amount Requested from Rose Youth Foundation
- Description: Provide a brief description of the grant request (Character Limit: 500)
- Possible site visit dates: Rose Youth Foundation will conduct site visits with some applicants as part of the grant review process. If your organization is selected for a site visit, the visit will take place between February 20 and March 29. Please provide a list of dates and times at which key staff working on this project could meet with a small group of Rose Youth Foundation members. Because members are high school students, they are generally available after school hours. Provide three site visit date and time options between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. If it is possible for your key staff to meet on a Sunday, please also provide one Sunday date and time. Site visits typically last from one to two hours. If there is an opportunity to observe an element of the program for which you have requested funding in action, please let us know. (Character Limit: 1,000)
- Fiscal Sponsor: Does your organization use a fiscal sponsor? If yes, provide the organization name, address and website as well as the name of a contact person and his or her phone number and email address. If no, please indicate. (Character Limit: 500)
- Information Sharing: May we share the programmatic information you have provided with donor-advised fund holders at Rose Community Foundation who may be interested in this

work? Your answer will not have an effect on the funding decision for this request. (Multiple choice: Yes, No)

Section II

- Mission and Vision Statements, Goals and Objectives: Provide your organization's mission statement, vision statement along with current goals and objectives, and a brief history of the organization. (Character Limit: 2,000)
- Project Description: Describe the work for which your organization seeks funding including specific related activities you will undertake during the grant period of May 2019 through April 2020. Include a description of the population served and the number of people who will be served. (Character Limit: 2,000)
- Project Outcomes, Past and Future: List the outcomes (measurable results) your organization has achieved with this program or project in the past. Also state the outcomes the organization seeks to achieve with this program or project in the grant period. What evaluation methods are used to track results and measure outcomes? If this is an evidence-based program or promising program, what is the evidence base or proof? If this is a new program, explain why this new approach is needed.(Character Limit: 2,000)
- Priority Alignment: Describe how the program or project aligns with Rose Youth Foundation's stated grant priority. Include a statement of how your work aligns with our stated Jewish values. (Character Limit: 1,500)

Section III

- Fiscal Year End Date (Character Limit: 10)
- Organization's Operating Budget: Provide the organization's operating budget including all expenses and revenue for the period covered by the grant (May 2018 through April 2019). An Excel file is preferred. (File Size Limit: 1 MiB)
- Program Budget: Provide a detailed line item budget for all program expenses and revenue. Itemize each major budget category and include the total cost of the program. In the case of revenue, include all funds available for the program and indicate pending or secured for each. Include the amount requested from Rose Youth Foundation as a pending source of revenue. An Excel file is preferred. (File Size Limit: 1 MiB)
- Program Budget Narrative: A brief description of all line items (Character Limit: 1,000)
- Most Recent Year End Statement of Financial Position or Balance Sheet (File Size Limit: 1 MiB)
- Most Recent Year End Statement of Activities or Income and Expense or Profit and Loss Statement (File Size Limit: 1 MiB)