



CAROLYN W. and CHARLES T. BEIRD FAMILY FOUNDATION

Request for Proposals Fall 2016

The Carolyn W. and Charles T. Beaird Family Foundation is pleased to accept Letters of Intent for consideration of support through its fall 2016 grant cycle. Please contact Executive Director Toya Graham at the Carolyn W. and Charles T. Beaird Family Foundation with questions about the fall 2016 grant cycle. Toya may be reached directly at 318-221-2823 or toya@beairdfoundation.org.

Letter of Intent (LOI)

The LOI is the first step in determining whether an organization may be eligible to apply for a Carolyn W. and Charles T. Beaird Family Foundation grant. The LOI serves three purposes. It provides an overview of the organization, introduces the proposed project, and provides the organization's budget and project's budget. If the organization is invited to apply for a fall 2016 grant, the LOI responses will be considered along with the grant application; therefore, we strongly recommend that organizations carefully consider LOI responses.

LOI and Grant Application Process

The LOI must be completed by interested organizations through the Foundation's online grant management system, powered by Foundant Grant Lifecycle Manager. Organizations will register in the system, if they haven't done so previously, or log into their existing account to complete the LOI form. Organizations may access the system at www.beairdfoundation.org.

The LOI may be worked on in stages without submitting a final version immediately. The LOI requires an Executive Summary, narrative responses, and budget submissions. **All LOIs must be submitted between July 1, 2016 and July 21, 2016, 11:59 p.m. CT.** Upon LOI submission, organizations will receive an email stating that the Foundation received the LOI. If an organization does not receive a receipt email, please contact toya@beairdfoundation.org.

All LOI applicants will be notified by email on August 1, 2016 of their grant application invitation status; **please ensure the accuracy of the email on file.** If the LOI is approved, the organization will be invited to access the online grant application on August 1, 2016. Thereafter, the invited organization will **submit the grant application on or before August 21, 2016, 11:59 p.m. CT.**



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Timeline

- July 1-21, 2016:** LOI form available online and organizations may submit LOI form online
LOI forms must be submitted by July 21, 2016, 11:59 p.m. CT
- August 1, 2016:** Organizations notified via email of grant application invitation status
Invited organizations may sign-up for a non-mandatory orientation session
- August 1-21, 2016:** Grant applications accepted from invited organizations
Non-mandatory orientation sessions held
Grant applications must be submitted by August 21, 2016, 11:59 p.m. CT
- November 1, 2016:** Invited organizations notified of grant application decision status

FAQS

Is there a limit on the number of LOI forms an organization may submit?

An organization may submit one LOI for the fall 2016 cycle.

If the **LOI is not approved** for the fall 2016 grant cycle, the organization will not be invited to submit a grant application for the fall cycle. The next opportunity for LOI submission will be for the spring 2017 grant cycle.

If the **LOI is approved** for the fall 2016 grant cycle, the organization will be invited to submit a grant application. Please contact the Foundation if you require clarification.

What types of organizations are eligible to apply for a grant?

In addition to other factors, eligible organizations:

- Must be a 501c3 tax-exempt organization as determined by the Internal Revenue Service
- Adhere to Beard Family Foundation's [nondiscrimination policy](#)
- Have submitted interim/final report forms at the time of LOI submission (if applicable)

What are grant reporting requirements?

Organizations receiving grants are required to submit a final report when the project is complete or one year from when payment was received. For current grantees, an interim/final report form must be submitted before a LOI is submitted for the fall 2016 grant cycle.

Is there a minimum or maximum grant request amount?

No, there are no minimum or maximum amounts that an organization may request for funding.