

2009 Sprint Local Grant Program

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the Sprint Local Grant Program?

A: The Sprint local grant program is an initiative of the Sprint Foundation that will fund two (2) \$25,000 grants per market in the following metro markets; Atlanta, Dallas/Fort Worth, Denver, and New York City. This competitive grant program will award grants to eligible 501c3 non-profit organizations to fund programs that provide a meaningful impact in the following focus areas:

- Youth Development
 - Mentoring programs
 - Leadership initiatives
 - Academic achievement
- Arts and Culture
- Environmental Stewardship

Q: What organizations are eligible to participate in the Sprint Local Grant Program?

A: To be eligible for funding consideration for the Sprint Local Grant Funding organizations must:

- Focus on at least one of the focus areas
- Comply with applicable laws regarding registration and reporting
- Have financials available for independent outside audit and all potential contributors
- Be a non-profit, tax-exempt organization under Section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue code (unless a library or museum)

Q: How do I submit an application for the Sprint Local Grant Program?

A: Applications must be submitted via the online application at www.sprint.com/localgiving. Only applications submitted online will be accepted

Q: When is the grant application period?

A: Online applications will be accepted beginning on Friday, May 1, 2009, 9 a.m. CDT and the application period will close on Tuesday, June 30, 2009, 5 p.m. CDT.

Q: What If I miss the application deadline, can I still submit a grant application?

A: All applications must be submitted by Tuesday, June 30, 2009, 5 p.m. CDT to be eligible for consideration.

Q: I started an application and selected "Save & Finish Later". How do I get back to finish and submit it?

A: If you start an application and decide to "Save & Finish Later", be sure to save the account password that you create and use the link below to return to your application.

https://www.GrantRequest.com/SID_284

Q: How do I know if my organization is considered to be from one of the eligible metro markets?

A: Organizations who are based in the following counties from each metro area are eligible to submit a Sprint Community Champions application:

Atlanta- Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Paulding and Rockdale Counties.

Dallas/Fort Worth- Collin, Dallas, Delta, Denton, Ellis, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant and Wise counties.

Denver- Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties.

New York City Metro- In New York, Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester Counties. In New Jersey, Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Union Counties.

Q: What do I do if my organization is not based in any of the above mentioned Counties. Can I still apply?

A: Only organizations who are based in the above mentioned Counties can apply for the Sprint Local Grant Program.

Q: What kind of information should I include in the grant application?

A: Organizations are encouraged to download a copy of the grant application and review this document prior to submitting an application. A downloadable version of the Sprint Local Grant Program application is available at www.sprint.com/localgrants.

Q. What types of organizations and requests are not eligible for funding?

A. Ineligible requests including the following;

- Individuals
- Political organizations
- Private charities or foundations
- Public schools, private schools, colleges and universities
- Organizations not exempt under Section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Code
- Organizations that advocate religious beliefs or restrict participation on the basis of religion
- Requests to support travel costs
- Film, music, TV, video and media production projects
- International organizations or individuals
- School-affiliated teams, bands/choirs or events

Q: How will I be notified if I have won?

A: Finalists for the grants as well as those who were not selected as finalists will be notified by September 15, 2009. Grant recipients will be notified and presented with their checks at a recognition ceremony that will be held in each metro area no later than November 30, 2009.

Q. Can I request more than \$25,000?

A: No, the Sprint Local Grant Program will only review requests for \$25,000.

Q. Who can I contact with questions about the Sprint Local Grant Program?

A: Please email any additional questions to local_giving_program@sprint.com