Information for Grant Applicants

The Pro Bono Publico Foundation welcomes applications for grants and generally awards grants once each year. The application deadline for the annual grant cycle is June 30th, with grant announcements to be made before year’s end, generally in November.

To simplify the application process, the Foundation will use the Common Application Form and Grant Proposal Format prepared by the Southern Louisiana Grantmakers (click to download this page and Common Application Materials). This format and form are accepted by many foundations and corporations currently making grants in our area.

Who We Are: The Pro Bono Publico Foundation takes its name from the motto of the Rex Organization, which means “For the Public Good.” The Foundation raises funds and makes grants to help organizations engaged in the rebuilding of the New Orleans region, with a special focus on education. Most grants have been awarded to schools and supporting organizations working toward the goal of assuring that all children in New Orleans have access to excellent schools.

Eligibility: Nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations serving the greater New Orleans region.

Grant Amount: Open, but generally less than $25,000.

Funding Priorities: Innovative and effective programs and organizations serving the citizens of the New Orleans region, with a special focus on education. Most grants in past cycles have been awarded to schools and supporting organizations working toward the goal of assuring that all children in New Orleans have access to excellent schools.

Reporting and Evaluation: Grant recipients are asked to provide an annual one-page summary documenting the use of grant proceeds and progress made on funded programs. This summary should be submitted by September 1 of the grant year.

Application Check List (one copy of each document, see Common Application for details):

- Narrative as outlined in Southern Grantmakers Common Application Form (no more than 3 pages)
- Grant Proposal Summary Sheet (From Common Application)
- Most Recent Audit (if available)
- Most Recent Financial Report (if different from audit)
- IRS Determination Letter [501(c)(3) and/or 509(a)]
- List of Board of Directors and Key Organizational Staff
- Audited Financial Statement/IRS Form 990
- Annual Report (if available)
- Organizational Budget
- Program Budget

Application Deadline: June 30—Mailed to:

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