

The Foundation Office at Fifth Third Bank

# Guidelines for Grantseekers





# Connecting Charitable Foundations to the Community



The Foundation Office at Fifth Third Bank is committed to creating a greater impact on programs and initiatives that create strong, vibrant communities and provide pathways to opportunity.

We aim to use our resources strategically by connecting private foundations to the community. Grants for programming in education, the arts, community development, and health and human services are considered.

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# Eligibility & Limitations

## Who is Eligible

- Nonprofit organizations designated under section 501(c)(3) and subsections 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and that operate in one of the following designated regions:
  - Chicago, IL
  - Cincinnati, OH (Cincinnati, Dayton, and Northern Kentucky)
  - Effingham County, IL
  - Evansville, IN
  - Piqua, OH

## Who is Not Eligible

- Individuals.
- Churches and religious organizations, though non-denominational programming administered by such organizations will be considered (e.g., food pantries, after school programs, housing initiatives, etc.).
- Publicly supported entities such as public schools, government, or government agencies.
- Public or private K-12 schools.
- Supporting organizations designated 509(a)(3) by the IRS.
- Walks/runs, dinners, galas, luncheons, and other event sponsorship requests.
- Athletic, band, and other school booster clubs.

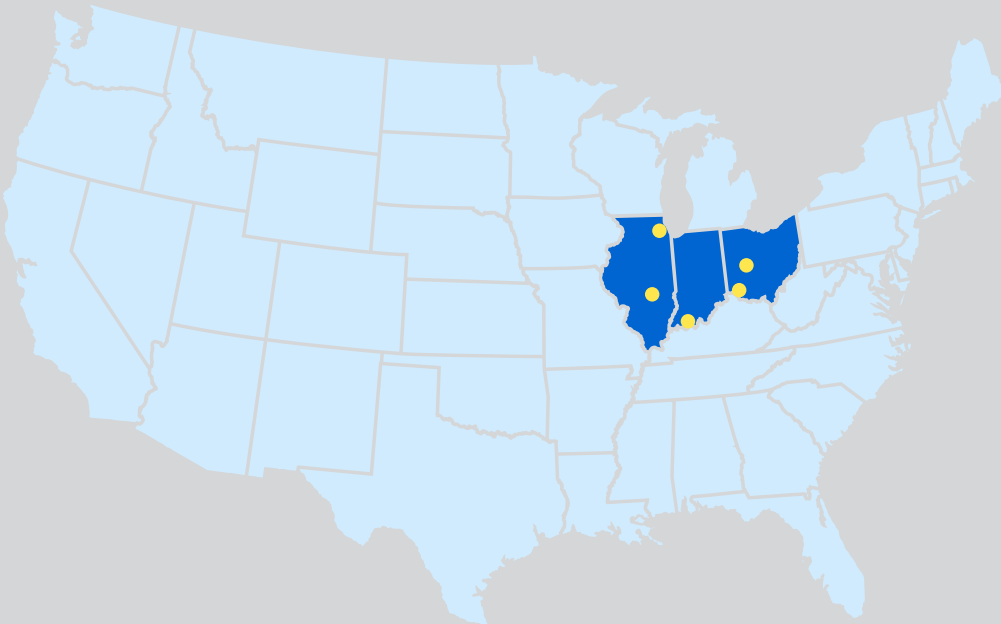
## Grant decisions are subject to the following limitations:

- Priority will be given to organizations who have not received recent funding.
- Grant funds received may NOT be used by a grantee for any of the following purposes: (A) to carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation, to influence the outcome of a public election, to carry on a voter registration drive; (B) to make a grant that does not comply with Section 4945(d)(3) or (4) of the Internal Revenue Code (the “Code”) regarding grants to individuals for travel, study or similar purposes or grants requiring expenditure responsibility; (C) as security or a source of payment for the debt services on municipal securities or repayments on municipal bonds; or (D) to fund or finance any activity for any purpose other than charitable or educational purposes stated in Code Section 170(c)(2)(B).



# Timeline

Grantseekers should allow 6 - 12 months for the grantmaking process.



## Chicago, IL

- Grant applications are accepted between **January 1 – March 31**.
- Typically, grants are awarded by **April 30**.

## Cincinnati, OH

*(Cincinnati, Dayton and Northern Kentucky)*

- Grant applications are accepted between **October 1 – December 31**.
- Typically, grants are awarded by **June 30**.

## Effingham County, IL

- Grant applications are accepted between **March 1 – June 30**.
- Typically, grants are awarded by **July 31**.

## Evansville, IN

- Grant applications are accepted between **June 1 – August 31**.
- Typically, grants are awarded by **October 31**.

## Piqua, OH

- Grant applications are accepted between **June 1 – August 31**.
- Typically, grants are awarded by **October 31**.





## Chicago, IL

### Leo Krupa Trust

Supports charitable, educational, religious, literary or scientific purposes. Preference to organizations who have a primary purpose healing the blind, public television or Catholic charities.





# Cincinnati, OH

*(Cincinnati, Dayton and Northern Kentucky)*

## **Charles Moerlein Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes.

## **Charlotte R. Schmidlapp Fund, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports initiatives that empower and assist women and girls in achieving self-sufficiency.

## **Eleanora C.U. Alms Trust, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports charitable and educational purposes for the City of Cincinnati, with a focus on the arts.

## **H.B., E.W. & F.R. Luther Charitable Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports mainly environmental and historical preservation, and educational and arts organizations in the greater Cincinnati area, as well as named preferred organizations named in the trust document.

## **Helen G., Henry F., & Louise Tuechter Dornette Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports nature and the conservation of nature's beauty, as well as organizations that are beneficial to children, with a preference to organizations that Miss Dornette identified during her lifetime.

## **Louis & Melba Schott Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports assistance to youth, with emphasis on youth of primary school through junior high school age, who are disadvantaged because of medical conditions, economic status, family background or for other similar reasons.

## **Patricia Kisker Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports organizations that benefit or serve children and educational, musical or arts organizations, as well as organizations which Patricia Kisker supported during her lifetime.

## **Jacob G. Schmidlapp Fund, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports charitable or educational purposes; for relief in sickness, suffering and distress; for the care of young children, the aged or the helpless or afflicted; for the promotion of education and to improve living conditions.

## **Stillson Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Helps children and provides assistance to those charities the Stillsons supported during their lifetime.

## **Ohio Valley Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Agent**

Funds small equipment, technology and capital improvement projects in the Ohio Valley.

## **Frank J. Kloenne & Jacqueline Dawson Kloenne Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Promote, encourage or aid religious, charitable, scientific, literary and educational activities.

## **Mary Martha McGee Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

To support community outreach activities of non-profit, religious organizations and churches that serve the low-income population in Greater Cincinnati.

## **Harold Schilling Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

To support organizations, preferably located in Hamilton County, that aid persons who are hearing or visually impaired or who are developmentally disabled.

## **Lawrence J. Mayer Trust, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee**

Supports Catholic or religious order of men or women, which serves or caters to the poor in Greater Cincinnati.



# Effingham County, IL

## **Paul and Virginia Kobodt Charitable Trust**

To relieve or alleviate human suffering in  
Effingham County, Illinois.







## Evansville, IN

### **James R. and Adelaide H. Duncan Foundation**

For organizations or institutions that specialize in caring for, maintaining, and educating indigent, sick or disabled children or young persons.

### **Henry Koch Charitable Foundation**

Supports religious, charitable, scientific, literacy and educational purposes, and the prevention of cruelty to children or animals.

### **The Bower-Surheinrich Foundation**

Supports charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational purposes.

### **George L. Mesker Music Trust**

To provide music in public facilities in the City of Evansville, Indiana, including parks, concert halls, auditoriums and other public facilities in the public domain, which would be appropriate for the use for musical concerts, regardless of any admission charge.







## Piqua, OH

### **Niels A. Lundgard and Ruth Lundgard Foundation**

Supports charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational purposes.

### **Armotte H. Boyer Foundation**

Supports charitable, religious and educational purposes.





# Grant Application Process

Organizations do not apply for a specific foundation. Grant applications are reviewed and considered by the entire portfolio of foundations administered by the Foundation Office. All grant applications will be reviewed by the designated distribution committee, and it is the distribution committee's responsibility to find the best fit.

**Once applications are reviewed, your organization will receive one of the following responses:**

- A decline email.
- A grant approval message with next steps.
- A request for a meeting or site visit.
- A notification that your request is still under review.

## Grant Application

Link to apply:

<https://www.cybergrants.com/fifththirdbank/Regional>





# Grant Application FAQ

## **Can I meet with someone from the Foundation Office before submitting a grant application?**

It is not necessary to meet with a Foundation Office representative prior to submitting a grant application. The grant application process serves as a point of introduction and allows organizations to submit up to three funding priorities for consideration.

## **Can I submit my request to a specific foundation?**

No. Grant applications are reviewed and considered by the entire portfolio foundations administered by the Foundation Office.

## **Why are K-12 schools ineligible if several of the foundations focus on education?**

The foundations with focuses on education provide funding to community organizations that support schools, rather than individual schools themselves.

## **Can I submit an application or request by mail or email?**

No. The Foundation Office does not accept requests for the foundations administered by the Foundation Office outside of the online grant application process.

## **Where do I find the grant application invitation code?**

Invitation codes are listed on the Welcome Screen of the Grant Application website. They will only be valid during the time applications are being accepted.



[53.com/foundationoffice](https://www.fifththird.com/foundationoffice)

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