

GRANT GUIDELINES
THE PAUL OGLE FOUNDATION, INC.

TYPES OF PROJECTS FUNDED

The Paul Ogle Foundation, Inc., funds several kinds of projects:

- A. Those initiated by applicants in response to Foundation calls for proposals.

The call for proposals describes the program area and details the specific application steps.

- B. Those which are a part of the Foundation's local community service programs.

- C. Those initiated by the applicant and reflecting the applicant's own interests. Grants for these projects are made throughout the year. These are from formal applications supplied by the Foundation which require specific information.

The Foundation gives preference to applicants that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations defined under Section 509(a). Also, preference is given to public agencies.

Primarily, the Foundation limits its projects funding to capital improvement projects and one-time projects which fall within the mission and current priorities of the Foundation. Generally, funding is limited to projects in Clark, Floyd, Harrison, Washington, Scott and Switzerland Counties in Indiana or others which have a direct relationship or benefit to or with the people in those counties.

TYPES OF PROJECTS NOT FUNDED

In general, the policies of the Paul Ogle Foundation, Inc., preclude support for:

- A. Ongoing general operating expenses or existing deficits.
- B. Direct grants to or support of individuals.

- C. Loans to individuals or entities.
- D. Research programs.
- E. Public or private elementary or secondary school programs.
- F. Churches and related activities

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for funding for projects reflecting the grant seeker's own interests, they should submit a preliminary letter of inquiry, not a fully developed proposal. An ideally crafted letter of inquiry will minimize the time spent proposing the project to us, but will provide us with enough information to determine whether it warrants further review.

The letter of inquiry should be on your institution's letterhead and should not exceed four typewritten pages in length. It should contain the following information about the proposed project:

1. A brief description of the need that will be addressed by the proposal.
2. A statement of the project's principal objectives.
3. How the need will be met.
4. The total estimated project budget and other sources of support that may be forthcoming, including a list of donors and amounts.
5. The staff that will carry out the project and their qualifications.
6. A timetable for the project.
7. Brief background on the organization.
8. List of board members.
9. The name of the primary contact person for follow-up.
10. Copy of Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) exemption letter.

REVIEW PROCESS:

Based on a review of your letter of inquiry, the Foundation may request a full proposal. If we request a proposal, we will provide a grant form along with specific instructions.

Each proposal arriving at the Foundation is first examined to determine whether it involves one of the activities we are precluded from funding and, if not, whether it clearly addresses one of our current goals or priorities. You will be notified immediately if the proposal fails either of these initial tests. If it passed both tests, it will be assigned to the Board for review and investigation. This process generally takes from two to three months and requests for additional information may prolong this stage of review.

If at some early point in this process it appears that the Foundation will be unable to provide support for the project, you will be notified.

If the proposal is passed to the Board for consideration, the action may take up to six months. All projects are funded only on the authorization of the Foundation's Board of Directors. Formal written communication from the Foundation is the only way you will be advised of a favorable funding decision. The mailing address is The Paul Ogle Foundation, Inc., P. O. Box 946, Jeffersonville, Indiana 47131.

BOARD POLICY:

Applicants may apply for grant funds only once in 36 months. Therefore, if an application is either granted or denied, that applicant will not be considered for grant funding for the next 3 years and applications will be denied.

The Foundation does not accept requests for oral presentations or requests. All initial contacts regarding grants are to be in writing as specified above. If the Foundation desires an oral presentation after the letter is received, the agency will be notified or a site visit may be requested.