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## *NKY Giving Circle* Request for Proposals

Greater Cincinnati Foundation (GCF) invites your organization to apply for funding. An invitation to submit a proposal in no way guarantees a grant award. This is a competitive process. The deadline for proposal submission is **Tuesday, April 30, 2019, by 5 p.m.**

### Funding Focus

GCF and a group of passionate donors have joined together to offer this Request for Proposals (RFP) to meaningfully and collectively support the Northern Kentucky community. Additional financial support for this RFP comes from GCF endowments dedicated to grantmaking in Northern Kentucky. Applications should explicitly address one of the following purposes:

1. To ensure vulnerable families in Northern Kentucky have access to food and/or shelter/housing.

OR

2. To increase or expand substance abuse treatment programs in Northern Kentucky and/or wrap-around services supporting families with a substance-addicted family member.

### Use of Funds

Grants will be awarded in the amount of up to \$10,000. Funding may be used to support, expand or strengthen existing programs, enact capital improvements, launch a new program or build organizational capacity. Collaboration between like organizations is looked upon highly. Funding will not be awarded for campaigns or special events.



### Criteria

- Applicants must be 501(c)(3) organizations providing programming that relates directly to the above-mentioned funding purposes.
- Grants will be made to organizations located in and serving Boone, Campbell and Kenton counties in Kentucky.
- Preference will be given to programs that:
  - Represent a bold idea
  - Demonstrate collaborations with other partners
  - Provide clear performance measures demonstrating effectiveness
  - Offer a realistic sustainability plan
- Proposals will be accepted from any organization that meets these criteria as well as aligns strongly with the details of this RFP.
- Only one proposal will be accepted per organization.
- If your organization needs to utilize a fiscal agent, the fiscal agent itself must be the applicant.

### Application Process

Respond to this RFP via [GCF's online grantmaking system](#) using the "GCF Expedited Application". Enter the code "NKY2019" into the Enter Access Code box at the top of the Apply page to access the application. After creating a new account and/or logging in, complete all required fields and submit by the deadline listed in this RFP.

Upload the following two documents in the final section of the application:

- Project Budget (including budget details)
- Most recent audit or 990

### RFP Timeline

Key Steps	Date
Proposal Deadline	April 30, 2019 by 5 p.m.
Decision Communicated	Early July
Funding Received	Mid-July



### Questions

Please direct any questions that you may have to Evie Epifano, Program Manager, [evie.epifano@gcfdn.org](mailto:evie.epifano@gcfdn.org), 513-768-6101. She should serve as your primary contact. Thank you for considering partnership with Greater Cincinnati Foundation and we look forward to learning from your submission.

### *GCF Mission*

As a trusted and connected partner, we inspire generous people to invest in a more equitable and vibrant region, now and for generations to come.