



Women's Giving Circle
of the Kitsap Peninsula

Small Grant Eligibility & Restrictions

OUR MISSION

The Women's Giving Circle of the Kitsap Peninsula (WGCKP) promotes philanthropy among women of all generations. Our grants support programs that uplift women and children in our community.

OUR GIVING PURPOSE

The Circle makes grants to nonprofit organizations that support women and/or children in the Kitsap Peninsula. The boundaries of the Circle are defined by the geography of the Kitsap Peninsula.

Please review the Application Process and Application Restrictions and Eligibility Information carefully.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Access to the WGCKP Grant Applications will be available online at www.commongrantsapplication.com beginning **Monday, August 19, 2024**.

All prospective applicants are encouraged to view the pre-application training video.

Watch the training video [here](#). *2024 KCF Grant Cycle Orientation - August 21, 2024 (youtube.com)*

1. LARGE NONPROFITS (Annual Revenue over \$100,000, Maximum Award \$10,000)

- WGCKP is not accepting applications for large grants until August 2025.

2. SMALL NONPROFITS (Annual Revenue under \$100,000, Maximum Award \$2,500)

- Applicants must apply via the online form and submit the online form no later than **Monday, September 16, 2024, 5:00 pm PST**.
- If your organization needs any assistance with the Common Grant Application, please email wgc@kitsapfoundation.org or call 360-698-3622 for technical assistance.
- Grants will be awarded in January 2025 the WGCKP will award a total of up to \$10,000 to the organizations receiving the highest number of votes from their membership.
- Qualified applications will be forwarded to all members of the Women's Giving Circle for voting.

APPLICANT RESTRICTIONS & ELIGIBILITY

- The applicant must have a 501 (c) (3) IRS tax-exempt designation.
- All applicants use the online application.
- **Organizations that were funded in the previous grant cycle are not eligible to apply this year.**
- An organization may submit only one application per funding cycle.
- Grant funds must be used only for the purpose stated in the grant application.
- The applicant's organization/program grant proposal must address the needs of women and/or children residing within the geographic limitations of the Kitsap Peninsula. We define the Kitsap Peninsula to include the following unincorporated and incorporated communities: Bainbridge Island, Bangor, Belfair, Bremerton, Gig Harbor, Hansville, Indianola, Key Peninsula, Kingston, Manchester, North Hood Canal, Olalla, Port Gamble, Port Orchard, Poulsbo, Seabeck, Silverdale, Southworth, and Suquamish.
- Types of programs which will be considered for funding include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - » Creation of successful pathways out of homelessness, particularly for women of color and single women, through adult literacy, leadership development, enhancement of job readiness skills, or other social services using a trauma-informed, person-centered approach;
 - » Development of equitable opportunities for women and/or children;
 - » Advocacy and supportive services for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, or sex trafficking;
 - » Provision of basic needs for women and children, such as food, shelter, or related supportive services that use evidence-based or best practices;
 - » Assistance for women and/or children with behavioral health challenges, physical disabilities, or other documented special needs;
 - » Reduction of traumatic stress in children up to age 18; and,
 - » Comprehensive child development and/or early learning programs that emphasize the use of evidence-based and best practices to reduce Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES).

- The following will not be considered for grant funding:
 - » General restrictions per Kitsap Community Foundation
 - » Other Eligibility Restrictions:
 - › Capital campaigns or facility improvements except for items that directly benefit project or program participants.
 - › Deficit financing
 - › Event sponsorships
 - › Organizations that segment their program participants in order to meet eligibility criteria (Example: A program in which both men and women are served in the same program cannot apply for funding to only support women in the program).
 - › Research projects
- Recipients of Small Nonprofit grant funds must provide a short report (one or two paragraphs) to the WGCKP by June 2026 (18 months after the award) sharing the impact of the funding on their project/program in action.

If applicants have questions about the application, please contact WGCKP Grants Committee Co-Chairs Willa Fisher @ 360-779-6441, willaf@earthlink.net or Amy Burton @ 206-718-5122, aburton927@comcast.net or Kitsap Community Foundation Staff, Lillian Xie @ 360-698-3622, wgc@kitsapfoundation.org, or visit www.kitsapfoundation.org/womensgivingcircle.