



Women's Giving Circle
of the Kitsap Peninsula

WGCKP Grants 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 WGCKP 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 through [Grant Lifecycle Manager](#).

Incomplete and late applications will be disqualified. **Applications will be reviewed and voted on by WGCKP members.**

Large Nonprofits (Annual revenue over \$100,000) – Maximum award of \$10,000

Finalists of Large Nonprofit grants will be visited by **WGCKP Ambassador Teams** who will make reports to fellow members at the Annual Grants Meeting in **January**. WGCKP members will then vote to select the grant recipients.

Small Nonprofits (Annual revenue under \$100,000) – Maximum award of \$2,500

WGCKP members will vote to select the grant recipients.

Contacts

For any questions about the application, please contact the Co-chairs of the WGCKP Grants Committee by email at wgc@kitsapfoundation.org.

If you have any questions about the grants process, please reach out to Kitsap Community Foundation's Director of Grants & Special Initiatives Lillian Xie by email (lillian@kitsapfoundation.org) or call her direct office line (360-698-6043).

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Applicant Restrictions & Eligibility

- **Organizations that were funded in the previous grant cycle are not eligible to apply this year.**
- The applicant must have a 501(c)(3) IRS tax-exempt designation.
- All applicants use the [online application](#).
- An organization may submit only one application per funding cycle.
- Grant funds must be used only for the purpose stated in the grant application.
- **Large nonprofits** must have been in existence for **at least two years** to be eligible to apply.
- 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
 - 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).

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Applicant Restrictions & Eligibility (cont'd)

- The following will **not** be considered for grant funding:
 - Per the Kitsap Community Foundation's General Restrictions...
 - Annual capital appeals
 - Capital campaigns or facility improvements
 - Endowments
 - For-profit organizations
 - Individuals
 - Political or lobbying activities
 - Private operating foundations
 - Religious organizations for sacramental or theological purposes
 - Tuition, scholarships, or core operating expenses for (K-12) public schools, charter schools, private schools, or universities and colleges
 - Organizations that discriminate with regard to age, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, national origin, religious affiliation, or presence of a disability
 - National and regional organizations, unable to clearly demonstrate that these funds will be used for operations within Kitsap county and/or North Mason County
 - Applications from "startup" organizations must be pre-screened
 - Organizations with endowment funds of over \$1 million
 - 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

Post-Award Reporting

Large Organizations - Recipients of these grants will give a presentation about their **organization** and the **impact** of their awarded grant at the following **WGCKP's Summer Gathering** in **June**, 18 months after the award has been distributed.

Small Organizations - Recipients of these grants will provide a **short report** (one or two paragraphs) to the WGCKP Grants Committee about the **impact** of the funding on their project/program in action. This report will be due by **June**, 18 months after the award has been distributed.

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