



Jefferson County Guidelines

2021 Tier III SCFD Grant Application

Multi-County grant deadline: 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 2, 2021

Jefferson County grant deadline: 4:00p.m., Friday, March 12, 2021

ELIGIBILITY

All applicants must have received SCFD eligibility prior to submitting a grant application. Eligibility requirements are listed on the [SCFD website](#). Please contact SCFD staff about eligibility questions scfd@scfd.org. Applicants must continually maintain compliance with all eligibility requirements. Eligibility does not guarantee funding.

FINAL GRANT REPORTS

Organizations with any outstanding Final Grant Reports will not be able to submit a new grant application. This is not a requirement for first-time applicant organizations.

HOW TO APPLY

All grant applications must be completed through SCFD grants management system: <https://scfd.org/grantmaking/funded-organizations/tier-iii/>. Please read the Grant Application Directions in their entirety before contacting SCFD. Online Grant Tutorials are provided on the SCFD website above for your reference and are highly recommended.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Incomplete applications will not be considered for funding and revisions after the grant application deadline will not be accepted.

CULTURAL COUNCIL STUDY SESSIONS – NEW IN 2021

The Cultural Council will discuss applications during public study sessions. Applicant organizations will receive further communication regarding this change from SCFD Staff. *Interviews will no longer take place.*

TIMELINE FOR USE OF FUNDS

Funds awarded in October 2021 are to be spent between October 2021 and December 31, 2022. A Final Grant Report for funds awarded during the 2021 cycle is due February 10, 2023.

GRANT AMENDMENTS

To request any amendments to your grant as awarded please email scfd@scfd.org.

By statute, SCFD funding cannot be used for scholarships, pass-through funding for other entities, capital expenses, to retire debt, or for political or religious purposes.

DEFINITIONS

Activities: events that are open to the public, such as performances, exhibits, or outreach performances. Events that are not considered activities include classes that are not open to the public, rehearsals, and fundraising.

Educational Programming should be inclusive of the community. It does not refer exclusively to Title I schools. This may also include adult education.

Jefferson County Funding Criteria

Requests can be made for EITHER General Operating Support OR one Project Grant, NOT BOTH.

TYPES OF FUNDING AVAILABLE

GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT (GOS): An unrestricted grant that helps the organization achieve its mission.

GOS grant requests must not exceed 35% of the most recently completed fiscal year's operating expenses or revenues, whichever is less.

To be eligible for GOS, an organization must meet one of the following criteria:

1. demonstrate a majority (greater than 50%) of activities (as defined above) occur within Jefferson County. This "greater than 50%" threshold is determined by the percentage of activities taking place in Jefferson County in 2019. The activities table in your grant MUST reflect this "greater than 50%" activity level.
2. be geographically located in Jefferson County whose principal office address (as listed by Colorado Secretary of State) is within Jefferson County.

Agencies of local governments may apply for GOS in the 2021 grant cycle if they meet one of the above eligibility criteria.

Minimum grant request amount is \$500.

PROJECT GRANT: A restricted grant given to support a specific event or connected set of activities, with a beginning and an end, explicit objectives and a predetermined cost.

The council will consider only one (1) project request per organization. Organizations that intend to provide multiple cultural events in Jefferson County may consider these combined events as one (1) project.

All activities for which project funding is requested must be conducted within Jefferson County. Activities outside of Jefferson County are no longer eligible for funding.

A project request must not exceed 25% of the projected Jefferson County portion of the project's budget for operating expenses or revenue, whichever is less. Project request must be for no longer than 12 months.

For multi-county applicants, applying to Jefferson County, a Jefferson County-only project budget is requested.

Minimum grant request amount is \$500.

EVALUATION PROCESS

Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusivity - Organization demonstrates that cultural equity, diversity, inclusiveness in hiring and programming is nurtured, advanced, and protected. SCFD funds are intended to benefit all residents of Jefferson County.

For consistency in the evaluation process, the JCCC uses specific criteria when scoring applications. We encourage applicants to review the 2021 Jefferson County Scoring Criteria when developing applications. Please visit the SCFD website.

Approximately two-thirds of Jefferson County SCFD funds will be available for General Operating Support and approximately one-third of Jefferson County SCFD funds will be available for Projects.

The JCCC appreciates the contribution of all organizations that submit proposals targeted for the community of Jefferson County. Our guidelines are the means to ensure the JCCC will serve the community we represent.