



Frederick A. DeLuca
FOUNDATION

Request for Proposals: Community Funding

Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation Overview

The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation (FADF) is a private family foundation that is dedicated to supporting our communities by creating and strengthening access to opportunity through education. We support nonprofits across Florida and Connecticut with a focus on Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties.

Purpose

FADF is opening a Request for Proposal (RFP) for organizations to apply for the management of community funding, with the goal of expanding our impact in our Economic Mobility and Youth & Families funding portfolios across Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties and/or the entire state of Florida.

Through this RFP, FADF will fund selected partner(s) who will oversee the grants management and redistribution of funds to community-serving organizations within specific geographic areas and funding portfolios. The selected partner(s) will be responsible for allocating these funds to eligible organizations aligning with the priority areas described below.

Grants management includes the following:

- Promoting an application process for organizations aligned to key strategic focus areas
- Developing and implementing an application review process that evaluates the strengths of each application
- Completing financial, organizational, and programmatic due diligence
- Making funding decisions in alignment with FADF's funding priorities and guidelines
- Announcing final funding decisions
- Developing and maintaining relationships with grantee partners
- Regular reporting from grantees including specific data points requested by FADF
- Tracking grant expenditures
- Report goal progress and important updates to the FADF team at least every six months
- Closing out grants and documenting insights and trends
- Adhering to the terms and conditions implemented by FADF

The expectation is that the funding partner will support innovative, scalable, impactful projects that align with the Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation's strategic priorities and be able to submit measurable results.

Organizations That Should Consider Applying for the Community Funding RFP

- Organizations that provide grantmaking and/or direct service programs and have the capacity (dedicated staff, refined processes, and strong project management) to manage a multi-step grantmaking program as described above.
- Organizations interested in building their internal capacity to distribute and manage grants as described above.

Timeline

- RFP Information Session: Thursday, May 1, 2025, at 1 PM via Zoom. Please sign-up [here](#).
- Application Deadline: Monday, June 2, 2025
- Interviews for Finalists: Monday, June 16 - Monday, June 30, 2025
- Award Announcements: August 2025

RFP Proposal Instructions

Submit a proposal no longer than five pages that includes the following:

1. Description of the leadership and grantmaking teams, as well as the departments that support the organization's grantmaking
2. The current/proposed grantmaking strategy and detailed process including:
 - a. The grant application process
 - b. Proposed deadlines
 - c. Review process
 - d. Projected amounts awarded to grantees
 - e. Grants management system and other technology utilized
 - f. Communication style with grantee partners
 - g. Process for tracking outcomes and goals
 - h. The number of nonprofits currently funded and the approximate number that will be funded if selected
 - i. Description of the organization's grantmaking strategy and key partners
3. Amount of funding requested with detailed budget and rationales
4. If applicable, lessons learned from any previous grantmaking processes that have helped the organization refine your funding strategy
5. Why you believe your organization is the best entity for FADF to partner with for this initiative
6. Please include the following (not included in the five-page limit):
 - a. An organizational budget for each of the past three fiscal years
 - b. Most recent 990 forms for the past three fiscal years
 - c. Most recent audited financial statements for the past three fiscal years
 - d. Estimated program budget with the amount requested from FADF

Please submit questions and final proposal to rfp@delucafdn.org.

Funding Amount

FADF will award a multi-year grant for up to three years to the selected community funding partner(s) to grant to the community in multi-year funding cycles for up to three years. The final grant amount will be dependent on the strength of the proposed project.

The FADF team is also interested in understanding if the fund being supported has the potential for sustainability beyond support from the foundation.

Funding (Geographic Location)

- Selected organizations can grant to nonprofits throughout the state of Florida, with a preferred concentration in Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties
- An ability to distribute grants to specific economically depressed areas

Funding (Priority Areas)

Organizations can apply for funding to grant in the portfolio areas that align with the following criteria:

- **Economic Mobility**
 - Programs that support adults to obtain their first job or upskill for job growth
 - Capacity building support for organizations that provide economic mobility programs that align with the first bullet
- **Youth and Families**
 - Programs that support youth and family development through in-school and afterschool programs and provide parental support
 - Capacity building support for organizations that provide youth and family programs that align with the first bullet