



Blandin Leadership Program Grants

This program provides each cohort of Blandin Leadership programs **up to three** grants at a maximum of \$5,000 each. Funds are intended to move forward cohort-identified projects that address at least one of the nine dimensions of a healthy community. Past grant awards have funded technical assistance, feasibility studies, consultant fees and research so that rural communities have the knowledge and skills needed to plan for the future.

Criteria and Guidelines:

- Maximum grant is \$5,000.
- Grants cannot be made to individuals.
- Grants are available to cohorts that have completed a Blandin Foundation-led leadership program.
- Contact person must be a participant of a Blandin Foundation-led leadership program and include other alumni in the proposed project.
- Diverse perspectives from a broad cross-section of community members must be included in both planning and implementation of the project.
- Organizations must have an Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) status or be a tribal government or unit of government. If working with a fiscal agent, the organization must be willing to accept the grant funds, if approved, and follow through on reporting requirements. A letter of support/agreement from the fiscal agent must accompany the application. These organizations are typically involved in the planning and have a stake in the overall goals and outcomes of proposed projects.
- Grant seekers are encouraged to leverage other resources, both monetary and non-monetary, ideally at a minimum of 2:1.
- You will receive a response in approximately 30 days.

Eligible Activities:

Our eligibility and areas of focus guidelines apply. Please review them online at <http://grants.blandinfoundation.org/eligibility/>.

Please note that eligibility does not include ongoing operating support for existing organizations nor will consecutive grants be considered to the same organization for the same project

Blandin Foundation welcomes inquiries about larger cohort-led initiatives or projects that focus on community. We are especially interested in leaders and initiatives that demonstrate and secure other sources of support to complement the Foundation's potential grant assistance.

How to Apply:

Fill out an online application: <http://grants.blandinfoundation.org/apply/> > scroll to Blandin Leadership Program Grants > click the red Apply Online button.

Questions:

Call Diana Daigle or Linda Gibeau at 1-877-882-2257 or email grants@blandinfoundation.org.