Meet the Moment Grant Opportunity

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. When does this grant open and close?

The grant opened on May 1, 2025, and will close on May 30, 2025

2. Who is eligible?

501(c)3 public charities, serving Delaware, that have had direct impact from the shifting federal landscape, and are ready for planning or implementation to adapt

3. How much can be requested?

Funding requests are limited to \$20,000 or less. Only one funding request is permitted per organization.

4. When will applicants be notified of awards?

Early July

5. When will the grant funding be transmitted to awardees?

Mid-July

6. How do we know what we need as an organization to adapt to the changing environment?

The Delaware Community Foundation and Healthy Communities Delaware are hosting a number of free scenario planning workshops that can help organizations think through what kinds of supports would be helpful to them. The list of workshops and registration is available at https://delcf.org/meet-the-moment/. More may be added as we learn more about areas of need shared by many nonprofits.

Additionally, DANA has resources to support organizations to explore a variety of needs including scenario planning, mergers, financial forecasting and fundraising. Those resources are available on the DANA website: https://delawarenonprofit.org/nonprofit-sustaining-strategies/

DANA will hold webinars to describe the resources on May 14, May 16 and May 23. Those webinars are open to all nonprofits, regardless of membership in DANA.

We encourage organizations to take advantage of these resources to help assess needs.

7. How do we assess organizational readiness?

As part of the application, we are asking organizations to fill out a readiness assessment tool. This will help our evaluation around your organization's ability to begin and complete the project. It may also help you better understand your organizational readiness. There is a link within the application, and it can also be <u>found here</u>. You MUST DOWNLOAD A COPY of the tool, fill it out, save it, and upload it as an attachment to your application.

8. Can this funding be used to reimburse for services that we have already contracted for to begin adaptation planning (e.g., scenario planning, financial modeling, etc.)?

Yes, if you can demonstrate that these services were undertaken to adapt to changes in the federal funding landscape, you may request reimbursement up to the \$20,000 grant limit. Services initiated before January 20, 2025 are not eligible. The application narrative must describe when the services were initiated, in response to what challenge, and how your organizational budget was impacted by undertaking them.

9. Can we hire a grant-writer to replace federal funding losses?

No. This funding is intended to support organizations in planning to create sustainable solutions to the current environment, not to fill gaps in funding.

Additional details for the funding opportunity are provided in the informational webinar recording and slides.

If you have additional questions, please direct them to Yolanda Rushdan, Senior Program Officer: YRushdan@delcf.org