Community Grant Guidelines

ArFB Foundation Mission:

The mission of the Arkansas Farm Bureau Foundation is to further understanding of agricultural and rural issues, and to support the agriculture and rural community through financial support for education, research, litigation and disaster relief.

Community Grant Program:

The ArFB Foundation is dedicated to investing in programs that strengthen ties between agricultural and rural communities across Arkansas. The Community Grant Program is a funding opportunity for Arkansas non-profits and tax-exempt entities, to support projects that are relevant to the ArFB Foundation's mission and invest in rural communities.

Eligibility:

A non-profit or tax-exempt entity in Arkansas.

Award Structure:

There will be 1 grant cycle per year and awarded grants will not exceed $10,000.

Grant Application Timeline:

2026-27 Grant Cycle:

- Applications will open **Nov. 2, 2026.**
- Applications will close **Jan. 15, 2027.**
- Recipients will be notified by **March 15, 2027.**
- Funding will be issued by **April 15, 2027.**
- Program Reports will be due by **March 31, 2028**.

Application Guidelines:

- Grant application forms must be completed and submitted using the online form.
- All grant application forms must be signed by a county Farm Bureau board officer once they have been submitted. *(This will be handled by Farm Bureau staff; the applicant is not responsible for the signature.)*
- A specific program will be limited to a total of $10,000 in funding.
- Grants will not be made to individuals; fundraising events or celebrations; political or lobbying organizations; fraternal, athletic or social organizations; or organizations that do not directly serve Arkansas.
- Funding is not available for wages and benefits.
- Funding is not available for construction or purchase of facilities or purchase/rental of large equipment.
- All applications must be for projects relevant to the ArFB Foundation's Mission.

- Any grant application not meeting guidelines will be eliminated from the review process prior to examination by the ArFB Foundation Board. The following areas will disqualify:
    - Applicant failing to follow directions.
    - Applications submitted after the deadline.
    - Equipment or wages and benefits in the budget.
    - Applications that do not meet basic qualifications.

- By submitting a grant application, you and your organization agree to the following terms:
    1. Maintain your records to show and account for the use of the grant funds.
    2. Provide written acknowledgment of receipt of payment for grant funds.
    3. Refrain from use of the funds for any purpose prohibited by law.
    4. Cooperate with any efforts of ArFB Foundation to publicize the grant award.
    5. Comply with reasonable requests for information about program activities.
    6. The ArFB Foundation logo is to be displayed on signage and printed materials.
    7. The ArFB Foundation will be provided an opportunity for naming rights for program/project.
    8. Meet terms and conditions specified in the addendum to this letter.

Any questions, regarding the application or review process, should be directed to Amanda Williams, Foundation Director, at amanda.williams@arfb.com or (501)228-1493.

To access the online application, visit:

https://form.jotform.com/262726030697057

or Scan the QR Code below.