

2023 Fulton Neighborhood Association Grant Program Guidelines

Program Focus

The overarching focus of the grant and rebate program is to support and strengthen the Fulton community. We will do this through our support of programs and projects aimed at the enrichment of opportunities, experiences, and resources for our young people. Additionally, grant support will be provided to projects or programs focusing on enhancing community engagement. These goals align with strategies 5, 6, and 9 from Phase II of the Neighborhood Action Plan. These strategies are as follows:

- Youth Projects at Pershing Park –Environment-related youth projects
- Community Engagement – Activities that promote community engagement and communication
- Education Enhancement Initiatives – Tutoring and youth recreation

Grants are available for \$500-2,500; FNA may award partial requests.

Who is Eligible?

- Applicants operating in or based in the Fulton Neighborhood
- Applicants will be prioritized who have not received a Fulton Small Grant in the previous two years
- Past recipients have included: Lake Harriet Community School, Southwest High School Jazz band, Southwest High School Orchestra, Overdressed Duo, Neighborhood Roots/Fulton Farmers Market, Cub Scout Pack, Venturing Crew and Southwest High School's Men's Basketball program.

What can be funded?

- New or existing projects and programs aimed at youth education and character development
- New or existing projects and programs aimed at supporting and enhancing community engagement

What is NOT funded?

- Food/beverages
- Entertainment
- Door prizes
- Religious programming
- Capital improvements, construction or renovation costs, purchase of property
- Equipment
- Emergency funding
- Budget deficits
- Fundraising events
- Childcare

What is expected of the grantee?

- Complete application available on the FNA website by April 20th, 2023
- If partnering with another community organization, provide a letter of support and intent
- Execute the project for which funds are distributed prior to the FNA Annual meeting in October of 2023. If this is not possible, please reach out to discuss alternative timing.
- If a grant program/project has limited attendance restrictions, priority for participation will be given to Fulton residents, within reason (contact FNA for further discussion)
- Complete written assessment following project completion
- Presentation of impact of grant to FNA board during Annual meeting in October of 2022

Grant evaluation criteria

- The proposed project or program would not take place were it not for the Fulton grant
- Request is proportional to the capabilities of the requesting organization
- Requesting organization has clear ties to the Fulton neighborhood (priority will be given to organizations that engage other organizations in the Fulton community in the execution of the grant)
- Requesting organization has clear capabilities to execute on the request
- Benefit to the Fulton neighborhood can be clearly quantified