



GRANTS PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in The Ohio State University's Women & Philanthropy grant program.

The Women & Philanthropy program connects generations of women alumnae and friends of Ohio State who each make an annual gift and pool their dollars together to impact large projects and scholarships at the University.

Each year, our fund starts at \$0. Members of Women & Philanthropy help build our fund and decide whose lives will be changed by how we spend.

Through our grant funding program, members have the opportunity to provide support to the colleges and units at Ohio State through a direct, participatory role in the grant making process. This application will evaluate your project's suitability for partnership with Women & Philanthropy as a grant finalist for the fall 2021 cycle.

Mission:

Women & Philanthropy at The Ohio State University is dedicated to educating its members about areas of extraordinary excellence at Ohio State and assisting women alumni and friends in celebrating their personal philanthropic abilities.

Vision:

To inspire and empower women of Ohio State to become visionary agents of change as a collective force, supporting Ohio State's creation of meaningful impact both locally and across the world.

Purpose of grant program:

- Cultivate women as philanthropic leaders
- Create a substantial pool of money from women
- Identify appropriate and timely grant funding opportunities
- Allocate funds based on member's majority preference
- Accomplish change and advance critical priorities
- Partner collaboratively with stakeholders in colleges and units
- Celebrate the impact of funded projects
- Be a recognized leader in women's philanthropy

General Overview

- Applicants ("Project Lead") must be current Ohio State University faculty or staff who is the subject matter expert and will serve as the main point of contact for Women & Philanthropy. Please do not list a graduate student or PhD candidate as the project lead.
- Grants awarded typically range between \$10K - \$50K
- Finalists are required to present to the full Women & Philanthropy membership for consideration during a December 2021 grants program. More information will be given to those who qualify as finalists.



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Use of granted funds:

Funds are to be used to carry out the program effort or initiative as defined in the grant proposal. Women & Philanthropy considers support for program/research operating costs, new and innovative projects, as well as established programs.

Your investment as the grant partner:

Women & Philanthropy works in partnership with its grant finalists to advance their research or program at The Ohio State University. We expect that the investment of our dollars will be matched by the recipient's investment of time and collaboration. If selected as a finalist, grant partners are expected to:

- **Present their research/program on an agreed upon date.** Finalists selected are required to provide a presentation to the full Women & Philanthropy membership during the December 2021 grant event. Members attend grant presentation events to learn more from Ohio State faculty and staff about their goals and the meaningful impact they are hoping to make with the funds being requested. Grant presentation events are planned and hosted by the Women & Philanthropy program, but grantee collaboration is imperative to ensure their success.
- **Promote their partnership with Women & Philanthropy to project stakeholders, include department faculty, university leaders, and alumni/friends of your college or unit.**
- Provide inspiring stories and pictures of your project for Women & Philanthropy materials and marketing.
- Attend our annual awards celebration and provide any updates, if applicable (June 2022)
- Participate in post grant funding evaluation reporting

Grant Timeline:

October 28 2021	Grant application OPEN
November 17 2021	Grant applications DUE
November 19-24	Women's Philanthropy Council reviews & selects top 3 finalists
November 29	All applicants notified of finalist decisions
December 15 2021	Finalists present to full Women & Philanthropy membership, live voting
December 31 2021	Online voting closes, funding offers extended
Spring 2022	Funding released
June 2022	Finalists provide update at Women & Philanthropy annual celebration

Application Process

All applications for the 2021 fall grant cycle must be completed through the PDF form and submitted via email. **Applications are due by 11:59 pm on November 17, 2021.**

Please send completed applications to womensphilanthropy@osu.edu



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Written Application Questions

Applicants will respond to the following questions on their written applications:

Q1. Project Summary Statement: (short please; no more than 2-4 sentences)

- Please provide an overview of the scientific, applied, or creative importance of the project. This information may be used in publicity materials or Women & Philanthropy literature.

Q2. Project Implementation:

- Please provide a timeline for your requested project and list the specific, concrete goals you plan to achieve.

Q3. Project Outcomes and Evaluation:

- What will the impact be for your target audience because of this project? Please include both quantitative and qualitative outcomes.
- What activities will you undertake to achieve outcomes that have been outlined in this proposal?
- How will this project aid in further shaping The Ohio State University and/or the greater community?
- How will you evaluate/measure the effectiveness of the processes described in this proposal and whether you have achieved the outcomes outlined?

Q4. Statement of Need:

- How does this project address an unmet need in the field of research, community, etc.?
- Include and reference any statistics, research or other information that helps to document the need.
- Describe the population who will be served by the project, including ages, geographic location, etc. and the number you estimate will benefit from it.

Q5. Connect to Purpose

- How does this project reflect the mission, vision and purpose of Women & Philanthropy's grant funding program?

Q6. Funding Information

- Department Fiscal Information
- Additional sources of funding anticipated for your proposal
- Proposal Budget

Questions

If you need assistance completing your online application or have questions regarding Women & Philanthropy's grant funding program, please contact:

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