

Delta Dental Philanthropic Fund Grant Application and Guidelines

The Delta Dental Philanthropic Fund is a 501(c)(3) charitable affiliate of Delta Dental of South Dakota established to further DDSA's mission of advancing and promoting the improvement of oral health.

Grantmaking Guidelines

- ⇒ The Delta Dental Philanthropic Fund (DDPF) aspires to collaborate with community organizations, programs and other entities that share our vision of making a measurable difference in the oral health of South Dakotans, particularly those who are underserved.
- ⇒ DDPF contributions will focus on the following areas:
 - Access to care
 - An adequate dental workforce
 - Dental disease prevention
- ⇒ Applicant organizations must have a physical presence in South Dakota. Projects must primarily benefit the people of South Dakota.
- ⇒ Primary consideration will be given to public non-profit organizations and educational organizations.
- ⇒ Grants for building construction or ongoing operational expenses are a low priority.
- ⇒ Contributions are generally funded at the following levels:

DDPF Mini Grants

Up to \$10,000

One-year or annual request

DDPF General Grants

\$10,000 - \$25,000

Including multi-year requests totaling more than \$10,000

DDPF Major Grants

\$25,000 - \$50,000

Including multi-year requests totaling more than \$25,000

DDPF Strategic Partnerships

Any request that is in excess of \$50,000 will be evaluated separately for its potential to become a DDPF strategic partnership addressing DDPF priority issues.

Eligibility

Grants will not be made to the following:

- Projects not related to oral health
- Individuals (except to dental professionals who are participating in the Delta Dental Philanthropic Fund's Loan Repayment Program)
- Political organizations or political campaigns
- Organizations that discriminate by race, religion, color, creed, gender, age or origin

Note: The DDPF will not pay for indirect costs.

Application

Grant applications are due April 1 and September 1 of each year. Awardees will be notified within 60 days of the application deadline(s). All applicants must submit an application from the outline below and required supporting documentation by the deadline. *Note: interested organizations applying for a DDPF strategic partnership should submit a letter of intent prior to full application.*

Application Outline (please limit to ten pages or less)

- Name of organization
- Contact information (contact name, title, address, phone/fax number, e-mail address, web address)
- Project title
- Project description (include target population and number expected to be served)
- Brief organizational description (legal status, mission, services provided)
- List / description of project partners
- Description of need (document the need for the project, who and how many will benefit, etc)
- Expected project outcomes
- Evaluation plan
- Opportunity for publicity (positive and negative)
- Acknowledgement (describe how the DDPF's grant will be recognized/promoted)

Budget Information

- \$ Amount requested
- \$ Total project budget
- \$ Budget narrative (describe how the funds will be used)
- \$ Additional income (list both requested (matching and in-kind) and committed sources)
- \$ Date funds are needed

Supporting Documentation (please limit to seven pages)

- Cover letter with Federal I.D. number and authorizing signature
- Letters of support (up to three)
- Documentation of tax exempt status

Mail application to:

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