



**Town of Denton
4 N. Second Street
Denton, Maryland 21629
410-479-2050**

Town of Denton Community Grant Application - 2026

Name of Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Website Address: _____ Contact Person: _____

Are you a 501(c)(3) Organization? [YES ☐ NO ☐ If so, attach a Certificate of Good Standing.

Description of Organization and its Mission:

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Detailed description of project to be evaluated by the Town Review Committee:

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What individuals, organizations, or officials are interested in this project?

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Amount of Grant requested: _____ (Attach a detailed budget, including breakdown of budget line items, and amount of funding requested. Maximum grant amount is \$5,000.)

Timetable for implementation and evaluation of project:

Is a special event planned? [YES ☐ NO ☐ Provide Date: _____

Does the project need to be completed by a certain date? [YES ☐ NO ☐ Provide Date: _____

Specify anticipated benefits to Town residents and visitors:

Items to be included with this application:

- ✓ Any information, brochures, etc., regarding your project, including events or supporting documentation.
- ✓ Outline of expected town outcomes, demonstrating how the project or strategy will lead to the anticipated result/change.
- ✓ Details on permits needed/obtained, if applicable, to begin work upon receipt of funds:
- ✓ Any additional companies/business partnerships to be contracted for the work.
- ✓ Two letters of support from local government and/or community organizations, partners, or members, demonstrating community alignment, engagement, and consensus for the proposed project.
- ✓ Listing of additional funding sources and amount of support.
- ✓ Copy of current year's organization budget and/or project budget.
- ✓ How project's results will be evaluated or measured.
- ✓ Population served.
- ✓ Statement of the problem project will address.
- ✓ Qualifications of key personnel (Personal bio, resume, CV, etc.).
- ✓ Results expected from proposed grant.
- ✓ How the project will be sustained once Grantmaker support is completed.

The Town of Denton reserves the right to request additional information that is not listed above that may help facilitate this request. The Town of Denton's Review Committee has the option to approve or deny any grant based on its review of any and all obtained information during this process.

END OF APPLICATION

To be completed by Review Committee:

- Does the request meet the program criteria – [Yes] [No]
- Request approved – [Yes] [No] [Full] or [Partial] Amount awarded

- Reviewer's comments: _____

- Reviewed by: _____ Date: _____



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Town of Denton Community Grant Policy

1.0 MISSION

Our mission is to provide personal caring municipal service by serving as a responsive host to our residents and guests in a financially responsible manner by a professional town workforce.

2.0 VISION

Denton will be an innovative, healthy, safe, well-balanced community that protects its historical integrity, preserves its unique natural resources, enhances its economic vitality, and maintains its unique small-town character. Denton's population will increase at an acceptable rate consistent with the ability of the Town and County to provide essential services and facilities.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY

Non-Profit organizations in the Town of Denton are eligible to apply for funding for activities that take place in their jurisdiction and serve the Town of Denton residents and visitors. It is the Town's policy not to be the sole source of funding for any applicant. Current recipients of Town funding are not eligible.

4.0 APPLICATION PERIOD

The Town will open an application period when funds are available. The application period will be announced on the Town's media sites. The application period will be 60 days once it is open.

5.0 REVIEW CRITERIA

The Town of Denton considers the following criteria as it evaluates each grant proposal:

5.1 SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND EDUCATIONAL MERIT

- A. Programming includes educational components
- B. Clear explanation of how programs and services fulfill organization's mission
- C. Enhances quality of life by fulfilling community need
- D. Enhances cultural stature in the Denton region.

5.2 IMPACT ON THE DIVERSE CULTURAL NEEDS OF TOWN CITIZENS

- A. Proactive outreach to attract new audiences from the Town
- B. Creativity of outreach programs, including partnerships with County-based organizations
- C. Geographic diversity of programs and outreach within the Town
- D. Number and extent of programs or activities that take place in Town

5.3 EXTENT OF OUTREACH TO INVOLVE NEW AUDIENCES, SPECIAL CONSTITUENCIES AND UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS

- A. Extent and quality of proactive outreach efforts to meet the needs of underserved, marginalized and diverse populations who by virtue of their age, income, locale, physical or developmental ability, or any other characteristic have fewer opportunities, less visibility and limited access to programs available to the general public
- B. Outreach and inclusion of citizens of diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds, including boards, advisory groups, and staff

5.4 MANAGEMENT EFFECTIVENESS AND FINANCIAL STABILITY

- A. Exhibits financial responsibility and stability
- B. Ability to organize and develop means to support plans and activities as measured by prior record and soundness of plans
- C. Ability to leverage in-kind, board and volunteer resources
- D. Ability to secure multiple funding sources (public, private, foundation, individual)
Budget data consistent, accurate and complete

END OF POLICY