Grant Guidelines and Eligibility

1. A proposal should include a concise statement of the project according to the requirements described in the "Required Application Materials" section of El Pomar Foundation’s website. The Foundation is limited to providing grant support to Colorado nonprofit organizations, government entities, and activities that take place within the state of Colorado. Please complete our online application to submit your proposal. If you need assistance with an application contact the grants office at 719-633-7733.

2. At this time, due to El Pomar’s emphasis on assisting those most affected by the current economic conditions, the Trustees will not consider any capital grant requests exceeding $100,000, unless initiated by the Foundation.

   Priority consideration will be provided to capital projects that have received local community and other support.

   Due to the tremendous need throughout the state of Colorado, capital grant requests, if funded, may be funded at lesser levels than requested.

3. The Foundation does not accept grant applications for grant support to:
   - Other foundations or nonprofits that distribute money to recipients of its own selection
   - Endowments
   - Individuals
   - Organizations that practice discrimination of any kind
   - Organizations that do not have fiscal responsibility for the proposed project
   - Organizations that do not have an active 501(c)(3) nonprofit IRS determination letter
   - Camps, camp programs, or other seasonal activities
   - Religious organizations for support of religious programs
   - Cover deficits or debt elimination
   - Cover travel, conferences, conventions, group meetings, or seminars
   - Influence legislation or support candidates for political office
   - Produce videos or other media projects
   - Fund research projects or studies
   - Primary or secondary schools (K-12). El Pomar will consider, on a limited basis, capital requests from nonpublicly funded secondary schools

4. Foundation policy discourages interviews with Trustees collectively or individually either before or after application submittal. Any discussions or indication of interest prior to or after submission of an application or onsite visit should not be construed as a commitment by the Foundation. Each application will be considered on its own merit and accepted or rejected only in writing. Requests are thoroughly reviewed by the Trustees. Follow-up conversations and/or site visits by Foundation representatives may be requested. A final decision is reached after discussion and a majority vote of the Board.

5. The Trustees’ action on an application is final. The application as presented will not be given further consideration. However, an applicant may submit a new application not sooner than 12 months following the grant denial letter. A new application should not request reinstatement of a prior request. An applicant’s proposal that has been approved for funding is eligible to submit a new application 36 months from the date of the grant award letter or one year from the date of the last payment on the grant, whichever is later.

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6. The Foundation's grant program is subject to the provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1969, which imposes restrictions on program activities, operating methods, and financial practices of private foundations. The Act requires detailed reports, record keeping, and expenditure responsibility, which contributes to the volume and type of information required in making application and accounting for all grants.

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