



Grant Challenge Frequently Asked Questions

GENERAL INFORMATION

What is the CareSource Foundation Grant Challenge?

An opportunity to recognize and award nonprofits that are doing impactful work, aligned with specific focus areas and goals. We hope to inspire innovation in reducing health disparities and moving the needle on health equity through this initiative.

How will awards be distributed?

- First place \$50,000
- Second place \$25,000
- Third place \$20,000

At the discretion of the CareSource Foundation, additional awards may be available for qualified organizations not selected as winners.

ELIGIBILITY

Does an organization have to be a nonprofit?

Yes. All nominated organizations must be a 501(c)(3), tax-exempt nonprofit entity, according to the Internal Revenue Code. Organizations that are non-profit subsidiaries of a for-profit organization are not eligible.

If the organization has an active grant from the CareSource Foundation, can they still be nominated?

Yes. The Grant Challenge was created to honor organizations' impactful work. Foundation grants are active partnerships between the CareSource Foundation and the organization. One does not impact the other.

What states are eligible to participate in the grant challenge?

Active challenges in select states are identified on the CareSource Foundation website.

Does an organization have to be located in one of the focus states?

Nominees do not have to be based in the state competition they are entering as long as the program has a physical presence in the state (employees or office) and the nominated program impacts adults and/or children who live in the particular state.

I'm not sure if I support the specific population. Am I still eligible?

You might be more eligible than you think! While we outline specific focus areas and complex populations, we know many nonprofits indirectly impact both. We recommend you submit a nomination.

Can more than one organization be nominated for the same program?

Two nonprofit organizations supporting the same program are not eligible to both receive an award.



What types of programs are not eligible to be nominated?

- Reimbursable Services
- Capital Projects
- Feasibility Studies
- Marketing or Awareness Campaigns
- Political or Election-related Activities
- Research Studies or Projects
- Promotional, Social or Community Events
- Individuals
- For-profit Enterprises or Activities
- Organizations established for <2 years
- Organizations that are managed by a family member of a CareSource employee or board member

NOMINATION PROCESS

How do I nominate an organization for the Grant Challenge?

Individuals can nominate an organization or organizations can nominate themselves. All nominations must be completed in CareSource's online portal, which can be found on the CareSource Foundation website.

Are there any fees associated with the Grant Challenge?

No. There are no fees to participate.

Is there a limit to the number of nominations an organization can receive?

No. However, the number of nominations does not influence the result of the Grant Challenge.

Is there a limit to the number of nominations an individual can make?

No. An individual can nominate multiple organizations.

Do I need to inform the organization I nominated them?

No. All organizations being nominated will be notified by the CareSource Foundation staff.

What is the timeline for the Grant Challenge?

All active challenge timelines will be listed on the CareSource Foundation website.

Will my personal information be shared?

The only information that will be shared with the organization being nominated is the nominator's name upon request, unless the nominator opts out. No contact information will be shared.

Will I need to complete the nomination form all at once?

Yes. A copy of the nomination form is available on the CareSource Foundation website to help you prepare.

Will I need to create an online account?

No, it is not required. The system will provide an opportunity to create an online account after you click the submit button. However, certain features are not available unless an account is created. Please review the instructions on the form before beginning.



SELECTION PROCESS

How are winners selected?

All nominations will be reviewed by a CareSource Review Committee and CareSource Foundation staff to ensure nominees that move on to the voting stage are qualified recipients, meet the criteria, and support the goals outlined.

What will disqualify an organization from being selected?

If a nomination does not sufficiently address how the organization will meet the goals outlined in the guidelines, incomplete nominations will not be reviewed. Please refer to the CareSource Foundation website for a complete list of criteria. The CareSource Foundation may, in its sole discretion, disqualify or disallow any nomination as deemed appropriate by the CareSource Foundation.

What is the voting process?

The top qualified nominations as determined by the Review Committee and Foundation staff will be eligible for public voting.

How will voting be facilitated?

Voting will be completed through the CareSource Foundation website.

Who can vote?

During the public voting timeframe, state residents can vote for the organization or program they believe makes the biggest impact on improving health. The public can vote once a day for the duration of the voting period. All votes will be considered and counted at the end of the voting period.

Can the timeline change mid-challenge?

We make every effort to adhere to our established timeline; however, if any changes occur we will notify nominees and post updates to the CareSource Foundation website. Nominees are encouraged to check the website frequently to be aware of any changes.

AWARD PROCESS

How will my organization know if they receive an award?

Organizations will be notified by CareSource Foundation staff of their selections prior to public announcement.

What information is needed to receive the award?

Prior to receiving payment, selected organizations must provide Foundation staff with a current W-9. It is encouraged to provide this document when completing the nomination form or upon notification of nomination. Organizations that do not provide a W-9 are not eligible to receive an award.

Will there be additional requirements prior to receiving an award?

Winning organizations must sign an award agreement letter. Organizations will be asked to provide a summary of how the award funds were used at a later date.

Are there restrictions on how the funds can be used?

Restrictions on funds are outlined in our terms and conditions located on our website and/or in the Foundation Grant Agreement.



My question is not listed here. Who should I contact for more information?

If you have a question not addressed, please email us at caresourcefoundation@caresource.com with your query.