Teen Grantmaking Initiative 2020 Request for Proposals
Funding Opportunity for Youth-Serving Nonprofits

Deadline: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 11:59 pm EST

The Center for Arab American Philanthropy’s Teen Grantmaking Initiative (TGI) announces the availability of grant funds to support youth-serving projects. TGI is a group of 20 youth in Dearborn, MI dedicated to bettering their community. The Center for Arab American Philanthropy (CAAP) is a national institution of ACCESS.

About TGI
The Teen Grantmaking Initiative (TGI) is the only Arab American youth philanthropy program in the country. TGI was founded in 2011 to empower Arab American teens using philanthropy as a tool. Members across the county develop strong leadership skills that they use throughout their lives. TGI grants support youth-powered projects that tackle issues such as domestic violence and substance abuse prevention, environmental stewardship, and social justice. Through TGI, we are teaching high school students to change the world!

Program Focus
Based on the results of the TGI youth needs assessment conducted at the end of 2019, TGI grantmaking in 2020 will focus on projects related to Mental Health & Wellness, Substance Abuse and Underage Smoking, and Poverty. Project examples include, but are not limited to:

- **Mental Health & Wellness**: destigmatization campaigns; tools to deal with academic stress
- **Substance Abuse and Underage Smoking**: anti-smoking and/or anti-vaping campaigns; resources for victims of substance abuse
- **Poverty**: resources for recent immigrants and refugees; education accessibility for those in poverty

Selection Criteria
TGI is offering student groups and non-profit organizations in the Detroit metro area (including schools, and community groups with a 501(c)(3) non-profit status) the opportunity to apply for grants. In evaluating each application, funding decisions will be made based on the following criteria. Priority consideration will be given to programs that:

- Are located in Wayne County, although grant applications from the entire metro area will be considered
- Serve youth, up to age 19, regardless of their race, ethnicity or religion
- Involve youth in the development, implementation and leadership of the project

Amount of Funding
TGI will consider grant requests of up to $2,000.

Limitations on Funding
TGI will not support the following activities:
• Projects that include religious instruction
• Political parties or political action committees
• Non U.S.-based organizations
• Projects that directly benefit an individual
• Loans
• Capital campaigns and building projects
• Capital goods

How to Apply

1. Fill out the application by following this link: http://www.centeraap.org/grants/teen-grantmaking-initiative/tgi-chapters/dearborn/tgi-dearborn-rfp/
2. Make sure to include the following documents in your application:
   a. Narrative that is no more than 2 pages
   b. Project Budget
   c. Attachments
3. The application submission must be received by Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 11:59 pm

Applications will NOT be considered by TGI if these requirements are not met.

Review Process
Each application will be reviewed by TGI. CAAP staff and/or the TGI committee may ask to meet virtually with representatives of the applicant organization if more information is needed. All applicants will be notified by email of the TGI decisions by August 14, 2020, with funding to be disbursed thereafter. The grant period is six months, beginning September 1, 2020 and ending February 28, 2021.

If you have questions, please contact Mikala Cox at mcox@accesscommunity.org

You can also find additional information about TGI and the Center for Arab American Philanthropy at http://www.centeraap.org.
Narrative
Please provide the following information in this order. Use these headings, subheadings, and number provided in your own word processing format, thus leaving flexibility for length of response. The narrative should be a maximum of 2 pages total.

A. Organization Information
   1. What is the purpose of the organization and what are the primary services?
   2. What affiliation, if any, does the organization have with religious groups (if none, state “NONE”)

B. Project Information
   1. Describe the target population and the needs that will be addressed, and explain your method for reaching that population.
   2. What program are you asking TGI to fund and what will be accomplished?
   3. How will youth be involved in the development and implementation of the project?
   4. What is the timetable for the implementation of the project? Will the project continue beyond the grant period? If so, explain.
   5. How do you plan to publicize/promote your project?
   6. How will you evaluate the outcomes of your project?

C. Project Budget (see attached budget sheet)
   1. If the total project budget is greater than the amount requested, from what sources will the other necessary funds be obtained, and what funds have been raised to date?
   2. What financial resources will be available for the continuation of this project after the grant from TGI has ended?

D. Attachments
   1. A copy of the organization’s IRS nonprofit determination letter, if applicable (excluding student groups at schools)
**Project Budget**
A. Organizational Fiscal Year:
B. Time period this budget covers:
C. Expenses: Fill in only those line items that are relevant to the project

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D. Revenue: Please list all other sources of revenue/income for this project and whether the funds are already committed or pending.