



Generation Impact Fairfield County Announces a \$10,000 Grant Opportunity for 2024!

Generation Impact is a group of curious, passionate, philanthropic high school girls who are dedicated to making meaningful change in our community. We work together to learn about the need in Fairfield County, we analyze grant applications from local non-profits and we pool our resources and efforts to give a \$10,000 grant for a youth-focused project or program. We love helping others, and we try to make giving fun. We believe that when we work together, we can make a difference.

We are excited to fund a \$10,000 project with our 2024 Grant! Our members (high school girls) will be reading and evaluating every application. Grant finalists are determined through a detailed process of application review and evaluation by members. Our grant will be awarded to one deserving non-profit organization in Fairfield County, determined by a vote of our membership at our “Big Give” event* on April 7, 2024.

We hope to make an impact by fully or mostly funding a youth-focused project or program (at least 75% of the budget). Grant applicants are invited and encouraged to be creative: new, proof-of-concept or pilot programs are welcome!

We encourage you to think ‘small.’ We know that \$10,000 cannot address certain key operating needs/expenses, but *we’d love for it to do something to help make a difference for the kids you serve.* If there was a project that you always wanted to accomplish or an idea that you haven’t been able to implement, please tell us about it! We look forward to reading your application and learning about the work you do to help kids in our community.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Organizations eligible to apply for a Generation Impact Fairfield County grant must:

- Be classified as a “public charity” with tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
- Operate and spend funds in Fairfield County
- Propose a project or program that serves youth residents of Fairfield County
- Have a total project or program budget of at least \$10,000
- Demonstrate how the grant will make an impact via narrative, photos or video
- Participate in our Big Visit weekend and present at The Big Give
- Use the full amount of the grant within 12 months

Generation Impact Fairfield County will NOT provide grants for:

- Debt reduction, operating deficits, or interim or bridge funding
- Endowment funding
- Individuals or private foundations
- Activities that are religious or partisan, legislative or political in nature
- Fundraising events, fund drives, or annual appeals
- General capital campaigns (unrelated to the specific project or program)
- Research
- Organizations that do not provide direct services

GRANT AWARD PROCESS

Step 1 – Submit Grant Application

Eligible non-profit organizations can submit grant applications through our online grants management system, *Slideroom*, which is available via our [website](#). Please note: you will need to create an account on *Slideroom* prior to filling out your application.

Grant Applications are available beginning Thursday, October 12, 2023 and due on Thursday, November 30, 2023 by 11:59 PM.

Step 2 – Site Visit

Four finalists will be determined after a thorough review and evaluation of grant applications during Generation Impact’s “Big Review” event on January 28, 2024. Finalists are then notified and invited to host a site visit (“Big Visit”) for Generation Impact members to learn more. Visit will be approximately 60 minutes and include the Executive Director, board members and/or other staff who can discuss the organization’s mission and its proposed project/program.

Site visits will take place on Sunday, February 25 and/or Sunday, March 3, 2024. Target visit times are between 12 and 2PM on these days.

Note: Dates/times subject to change. We will work with each finalist to coordinate date/time/details.

Step 3 – Final Presentations and Grant Award

Finalists will receive instructions for presenting to the Generation Impact membership at the “Big Give” event*, which will be held on Sunday, April 7, 2024. After the presentations, Generation Impact members will vote to select the \$10,000 grant recipient. Votes will be tabulated and our grant will be awarded to the winner at the event. Upon the completion of the winning project or program, the grantee must submit a final report to Generation Impact.

IMPORTANT DATES

Grant Applications Open to Non-Profits
October 12, 2023

Grant Applications Due
November 30, 2023

Applicants Notified
January 31, 2024

Site Visits Conducted
February 25 & March 3, 2024

The Big Give: Finalists Present, Membership Votes & Grant Awarded
April 7, 2024

Questions?

If you have questions about the Generation Impact grant process which are not answered within this document and/or on the application form itself, please email us at: generationimpactffc@gmail.com

Learn about our past grant winners and finalists [HERE](#).

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