Living Grant Cycle
Request for Proposals 2021-2022

November 2, 2021
Agenda

• Welcome
• Meet the Philanthropy Team
• CFT’s Areas of Focus
• Public Safety Request for Proposals (RFP), Eligibility and Priority Areas
• Social Services Letter of Inquiry (LOI), Eligibility and Priority Areas
• Upcoming Grant Cycles
• Q & A
Meet the Philanthropy Team

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SUMMER CYCLE: Learning

• LEARNING I - Increasing Degrees/Credentials of Value, closed June 30
• LEARNING II - Effective Teaching & Leading, closed July 2021

FALL CYCLE: Living

• PUBLIC SAFETY - now open, Due: November 19, 2021
• SOCIAL SERVICES – opens November 3rd, Due: December 17, 2021
• ANIMALS – opens December 7th, Due: January 14, 2022

WINTER CYCLE: Health

• HEALTH – opens February/March 2022
We Believe in Thriving Communities for All
Zip code can be more predictive than genetic code when it comes to life outcomes. Decisions surrounding planning, community engagement and design; access to arts, culture and parks; as well as the presence of crime prevention strategies and justice system processes, can have a significant impact on the physical, social and mental health of community.

- Affordable housing
- Access to fresh food
- Parks and green space
- Transportation
- Arts and culture
- Public Safety
- Re-entry programs
- Safe, integrated, and connected neighborhoods

* Services in support of a thriving community
LIVING | Grant Opportunities

- PUBLIC SAFETY — Now Open
  - Due: November 19, 2021

- SOCIAL SERVICES — Opens November 3
  - Due: December 17, 2021

- ANIMALS — Opens December 7
  - Due: January 14, 2022
Historically, CFT has made grants in each of these areas:

- Victims Services
- Equipping and Training Police
- Access to Justice and Reducing Overreliance on Incarceration
- Community-Driven Approaches to Public Safety
- Initiatives to Break the Cycle of Incarceration
- Services and Community Features that Prevent Crime
This cycle, we will be focused on two areas based on need and opportunity:

- Victims Services
- Equipping and Training Police
- Access to Justice and Reducing Overreliance on Incarceration
- Community-Driven Approaches to Public Safety
- Initiatives to Break the Cycle of Incarceration
- Services and Community Features that Prevent Crime
CFT is seeking applications from organizations that combine deep community relationships, evidence-informed practice, and strategic public and/or private partnerships to drive transformational change.
CFT is seeking applications focused on accelerating community-based collaboratives that are working towards transformational change at the neighborhood level using resources from the social and private sector. The lead applicant must be a nonprofit that works within a defined neighborhood boundary that has been marked by higher crime, including those where the City of Dallas is targeting crime reduction strategies.

The proposed project must be accomplished in partnership with (at a minimum) a public institution such as a hospital, school, or police department, and/or a private business. Preference will be given to organizations that actively engage and empower residents recognizing their critical role in sustaining positive community change.

This effort will initially focus on Dallas County.

Nonprofit organizations that focus on reducing crime and improving community life play a critical role in increasing public safety (Sharkey, Torrats-Espinosa, Takyar, 2017).
The goal of this funding priority is to support the successful reintegration of justice-involved individuals through employment and training programs that build lasting economic security. These programs must be designed with justice-involved individuals in mind and demonstrate how they meet the multifaceted needs of participants during the program while working with employers to find job placements at completion.

Applicants need to demonstrate that 80% or more of their clients served annually are recently or formerly incarcerated. Programs can focus on justice-involved youth as well as adults.

About 65,000 Texans are released from imprisonment each year. These formerly incarcerated individuals join the almost 1/3 of adults who have a criminal record, and who face multiple barriers to full participation in society.
To provide adequate time to observe meaningful change, funding requests for up to $1M for up to five (5) years will be considered. This funding limit covers the entire grant period and is not an annual amount. Applicants may also apply for amounts less than the $1M up to five (5) year maximum, according to what is needed.

For each proposal, grantees must provide: (1) a project budget, and (2) a corresponding budget narrative that clearly outlines and describes the total costs.

CFT permits grantees to request funding for direct costs associated with the project, as well as for reasonable indirect costs.

NOTE: Institutions of higher education, including community colleges and universities, may receive an indirect cost rate of 10% of total direct project costs. Full-time employees at institutions of higher education whose salaries are covered by the institution may not include salary support in the project budget without a detailed justification.
Applicants must have a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt designation from the Internal Revenue Service that has been active for at least two years as of September 1, 2019 (or which has an affiliation with an established organization), and not be in violation of any applicable state, local or federal law, ordinance or regulation.

This effort will initially focus on Dallas County and may expand into other communities in future cycles. Applicants will need to demonstrate that the majority of clients to be served, as well as services and programming delivered, are in Dallas County.
Selection Criteria

- Benefits **Dallas County residents**, particularly **low-income neighborhoods** and **communities of color**
- Proven track record of **effective, data-driven practice**
- Special considerations for **multi-sector collaborations**, including partnership with public institutions such as hospitals, police departments, schools or with a private business
- Preference for programs with a proven track record of **serving** underrepresented and/or economically disadvantaged groups
- Demonstrated **commitment to continuous improvement** and willingness to **share implementation experiences** across the sector
- Call upon **multiple funding sources** and can demonstrate pathway or potential for **sustainable funding**
Review Process

1. Application submitted
2. Internal review
3. Invitation to site visit
4. Virtual site visit
5. Present to Trustees
6. First Round decline letters
7. External review
8. Decline letters
Apply now

Visit to https://cftexas.org/public-safety-rfp to apply!
Social Services Letter of Inquiry (LOI) Overview

At CFT, we believe that a thriving community is one in which all people feel cared for, invested in, nourished and valued, and have an equitable opportunity to contribute to the well-being and growth of themselves, their families and their communities.

CFT is seeking applications from organizations addressing the following areas:

- Community outreach to engage and inform residents of rental relief and options
- Homeless diversion programs and efforts
- Innovative programs that provide access to healthy, fresh foods, such as through community gardens, urban farms, pop-up produce markets and food delivery
- Supportive services for workers, such as childcare and transportation

Organizations can request a one-year grant for up to $50,000. An average grant from this cycle will be between $25,000 - $30,000. Applications due December 17, 2021.
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At least 50% of the population served must reside in one of the following counties:

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Church and religious organizations’ programs that are focused on evangelism are not eligible.

Questions? Office hours are open for Celeste Arista Glover or Wende Burton.
Animals LOI – Coming Soon!

• The Animals LOI will open December 7, 2021.

• Please check the CFT Website - https://cftexas.org/apply-for-a-grant for details on the funding priorities and to apply.

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• Animal Applications due January 14, 2022.
Virtual Office Hours

Have questions? Sign up for a 20-minute phone consultation with a program officer!

Sign up to discuss your topic area’s relevance to our funding opportunities now:

Nadine’s Office Hours (Public Safety)
Celeste’s Office Hours (Social Services)
Wende’s Office Hours (Public Safety & Social Services)

*Virtual office hours available through November 17, 2021*
If you have questions, please contact us!

For questions regarding the RFP and/or application requirements, contact Wende by sending an email to wburton@cftexas.org.

For questions regarding the online application platform, Foundant, contact Stefanie at 214-750-4216 or svalenzuela@cftexas.org.
## Key Dates

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