



2022-2023 Capacity-Building Opportunities

October 11, 2022



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Who is Communities Foundation of Texas?



Our Vision

Thriving communities *for all*

Our Mission

To improve the lives of all people in our community by investing in their health, wealth, living and learning. We accomplish this by **growing community giving, expanding community impact and advancing community equity.**

CFT's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion

Our mission is to improve the lives of all people in our community, and **we recognize that there are groups that have historically faced and continue to experience discrimination, injustice, and unequal access to basic resources, community spaces, and economic opportunities.**

CFT believes that all community members:

- Should feel welcome, safe, and accepted
- Should be treated with respect and dignity
- Should have equitable access to opportunities to improve their lives and the lives of their families



2022-2023 Grant Cycles



Social Services Grant

Opened September 12, 2022 | Closed October 7, 2022



Capacity-Building Grant

Opened October 3, 2022 | Closes November 11, 2022



Animals Grant

Opens January 16, 2023 | More info coming soon!



Health Grant

Opens February 17, 2023 | More info coming soon!

Funding Partner:



Capacity-Building Grant Overview

CFT believes investing in capacity building helps North Texas nonprofits strengthen their ability to serve their communities.

This opportunity is intended to help nonprofit organizations **build the competencies and skills needed to meet their missions efficiently and effectively.**

Grants will range from \$2,500-\$15,000. We anticipate funding about 40-50 nonprofits.

Deadline to submit application is **Friday, November 11, 2022.**

Grant notifications will be made by **February 10, 2023.**

Capacity-Building Grant Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be an IRS 501(c)(3) tax-exempt designation for at least two years as of September 1, 2022
- Have an operating budget that is less than \$3 million, excluding in-kind line items
- At least 50% of the population served must reside in one of the following counties:

Collin	Cooke	Dallas	Denton	Ellis
Erath	Fannin	Grayson	Hood	Hunt
Johnson	Kaufman	Montague	Navarro	Palo Pinto
Parker	Rockwall	Somervell	Tarrant	Wise

Capacity-Building Grant Eligibility

Applicants must:

Have an organizational focus on one or more of the following areas:



Financial assistance - gap funding for childcare, rent and utility payments, or financial support for other emergency basic needs



Housing support - non-financial support such as emergency shelter and transitional housing



Case management - partnership with clients to understand social service needs and develop solutions



Out-of-school time programs - supervised programs that youth regularly attend when school is not in session



Job training and career support - services to provide unemployed or underemployed individuals access to rewarding jobs or opportunities to improve their financial situation

Selection Criteria & Funding Priorities

Selection Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated on the extent to which they:

- meet the grant eligibility requirements and CFT's funding priorities
- clearly identify and define the capacity-building project
- state a compelling case that supports how and why the organization's capacity-building project will help it meet its mission.



Funding Priorities

Funding will be prioritized to organizations that:

- work in the following zip codes: 75210, 75215, 75216, 75217, 75223
- are based in the community they impact
- have taken meaningful steps to address diversity, equity and inclusion
- plan to complete their capacity-building projects within one year of receiving funding.

Capacity-Building Projects

Organizations may include up to three (3) capacity-building projects in the application in any of the following categories with examples** provided underneath:

Fundraising

- Consulting for fundraising and/or grant writing

Leadership Development

- Board development and governance
ED/CEO development
- Succession planning
- Leadership training and development for staff

Marketing

- Marketing and social media planning and strategy

Organizational Effectiveness

- Financial supports including audits, budgeting, budget forecasting
- HR and risk management
- Program evaluation and data collection
- Strategic plan update or development
- Facilities improvement, ADA compliance, and capital planning

Recruitment/Retention

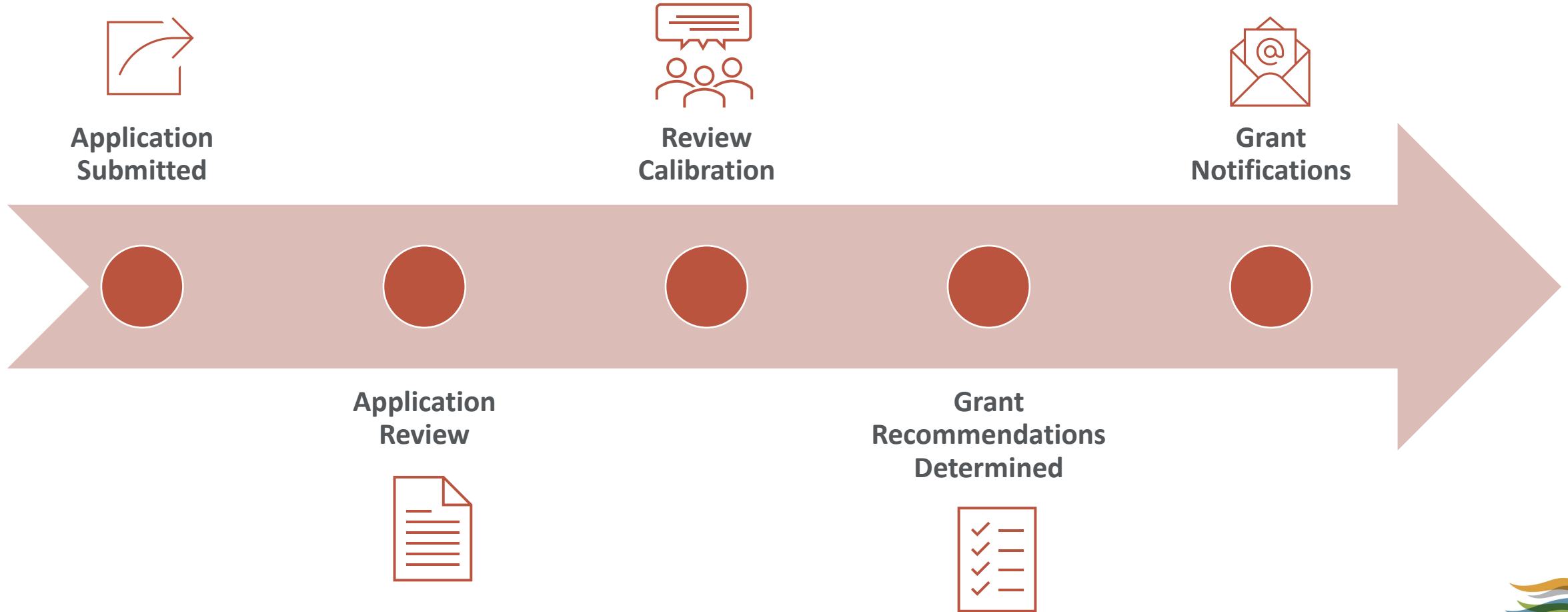
- Staff and/or volunteer training and wellness

Technology

- Purchasing equipment, technology, or software
- Digital strategy

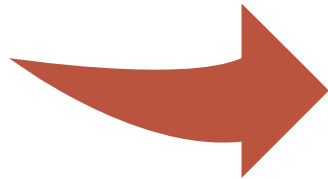
** This is not an exhaustive list of the types of capacity-building projects CFT may fund.


Review Process



Apply now!

Visit <https://cftgrants.org> to apply!



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2022 Capacity Building Grant Accepting Submissions from 10/03/2022 to 11/11/2022

Communities Foundation of Texas (CFT) will award grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$15,000 to help nonprofit organizations build the competencies and skills necessary to meet their missions efficiently and effectively. The grant application opens Monday, October 3 and closes Friday, November 11. Grant notifications will be made by February 10, 2023.

Eligibility

- Nonprofit organizations that meet all of the following requirements are eligible to apply for Capacity Building Grants:
- Be an IRS 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization for at least two years as of September 1, 2022
 - Have an operating budget that is less than \$3 million, excluding in-kind line items
 - At least 50% of the population served must reside in one of these North Texas counties: Collin, Cooke, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Erath, Fannin, Grayson, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Montague, Navarro, Palo Pinto, Parker, Rockwall, Somervell, Tarrant and Wise
 - Organizational focus on one or more of the following areas:
 - financial assistance** – gap funding for childcare, rent and utility payments, or financial support for other emergency basic needs
 - housing support** – non-financial support such as emergency shelter and transitional housing
 - case management** – partnership with clients to understand social service needs and develop solutions
 - out-of-school time programs** – supervised programs that youth regularly attend when school is not in session
 - job training and career support** – services to provide unemployed or underemployed individuals access to rewarding jobs or opportunities to improve their financial situation
- Who is NOT Eligible to Apply?
- Individuals
 - For-profit businesses
 - Non-US based organizations
 - Church and religious organizations' programs that are focused on evangelism

Have Questions? Let us know!



For questions regarding the **grant application requirements**, contact Greg by sending an email to goertel@cftexas.org.



You can also sign up for a 20-minute phone consultation. See his virtual office hours by scanning the QR code.



For questions regarding the **online application platform, Foundant**, contact Stefanie or Raven by sending an email to grants@cftexas.org.

Quad – Technology Education through TechSoup

We know that one of the greatest challenges to implementing and maximizing tech resources is expertise.

As an opportunity for applicants to grow their knowledge base and make the most of their technology systems, we are partnering with TechSoup to offer a technology education program called Quad. Selected agencies will receive 10 one-year licenses for their staff, board, or volunteers, providing access to various tools.



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This opportunity includes:

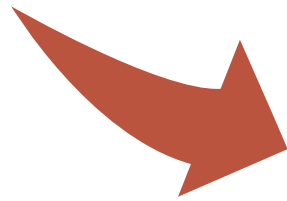
- A catalogue of over 170 courses dedicated to helping agencies adapt technology to support their mission
- Digital Assessment Tool
- Individual call with TechSoup expert to discuss unique tech challenges and opportunities
- Dedicated community space among a North Texas cohort where agencies can join others who have similar challenges, find answers, and share knowledge
- Curated knowledge base featuring an array of resources, templates, and solutions.
- Dedicated support from TechSoup professionals over phone, chat, or email
- Reduced admin fees for products and services available in the TechSoup catalog



Social Entrepreneurship Opportunities

To help bridge community understanding around the role of social enterprise in our community resilience and to kick off our second year of capacity-building, CFT is partnering with Suzanne Smith, Founder - **Social Impact Architects** to launch the **GROWTH: Resiliency through Social Entrepreneurship series**.

This capacity-building opportunity supports nonprofits, businesses, and funders who are interested in accelerating the rate of social change in North Texas.



Suzanne Smith, Founder
Social Impact Architects

Social Entrepreneurship Opportunities

Our goal through this series is two-fold:



Establish common terminology. As the desire to have more social impact increases through social entrepreneurship, the need to establish common terminology grows. This series will help answer the question: What is the difference between Social Innovation, Social Enterprise, and Social Entrepreneurship?



Create more socially entrepreneurial change agents. Through this series we hope to create more individuals who: 1.) Fall in love with the problem and not the solution; 2.) Believe no one owns a social solution but that it is co-created with the community; 3.) Are disciplined in their approach to social change and proving impact.

Social Entrepreneurship Opportunities

Register to participate in our Social Entrepreneurship Webinars today!

October 25 | 9:30-11:30am – Nonprofit focused session

October 26 | 9:30-11:30am – Business focused session



Key Dates

October 25 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Entrepreneurship 101 Webinar for Nonprofits
October 26 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Entrepreneurship 101 Webinar for Businesses
Now – November 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Greg's Virtual Office Hours (Don't wait until the last day!)
November 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deadline for Capacity-Building Grant
December 7 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quad Kick-off Webinar (Save the date!)

We want to hear from you!



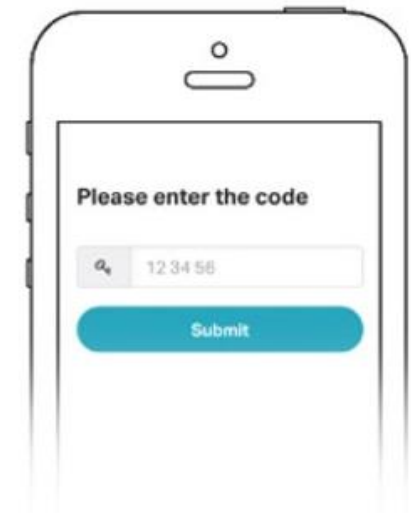
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