

The Douglas and Maria DeVos Foundation

Thank you for your inquiry regarding The Douglas and Maria DeVos Foundation. Because we do not engage in solicitation of requests for funding, we do not produce an annual report for public distribution. We can, however, advise you that the Foundation funds organizations that share Doug and Maria's commitments to faith and community.

Guidelines for Funding

The Douglas and Maria DeVos Foundation hopes to build a legacy of caring and stewardship that combines the heart and skill of philanthropy in order to improve the quality of people's lives and build a stronger community. Our focus is on organizations, projects, or programs that demonstrate Christian charity to meet both the spiritual and physical needs of people. Our primary commitment is to the support of the Grand Rapids community with goals of strengthening the bond of families, rebuilding strong neighborhoods, and providing opportunity for disadvantaged youth. The Foundation does not allocate funds to individuals, for-profit organizations or candidates for political office.

Application Process

If your proposal meets the above guidelines, you may direct a brief written request to the Foundation address noted below. In order for a proposal to be considered by Doug and Maria, it should include the following:

- ★ Description of your ministry or service including its mission, history, and the population it serves.
- ★ Short summary of ongoing programs, a list of Board members, and evidence of your tax-exempt status as an IRS 501 (c) (3) public charity.
- ★ Description of your expected outcomes and how you propose to measure success if your goals for the grant are achieved.
- ★ Organization and project line item budgets for the fiscal year in which the proposed work will be undertaken and for the preceding fiscal year. The budget must also detail other funding sources either received or anticipated.
- ★ Specific amount of your request.
- ★ Please do not send tapes, CD's, DVD's or bound proposals.

Review Process

Requests for grants may be received any time throughout the year. Proposals are reviewed four times annually. Due to time constraints, only written grant requests are considered. Should a personal meeting be required, our Foundation Administrator will contact you.

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