

2023 Grant Guidelines

About:

The mission of the Arkansas Farm Bureau Foundation is to further understanding of agricultural and rural issues, and to support the agriculture and rural community through financial support for education, research, litigation and disaster relief. The ArFB Foundation Grant Program is a funding opportunity for Arkansas nonprofits and tax-exempt entities, to support projects that are relevant to the ArFB Foundation's mission.

Eligibility:

To be eligible, applicants must be a nonprofit or tax-exempt entity in Arkansas.

Award Structure:

Two award cycles for grants per year and awarded grants will not exceed \$10,000.

Grant Application Timeline:

There will be two application cycles throughout the year.

Cycle 1:

- Applications will be due March 31.
- Recipients will be notified by May 5.
- Funding will be issued by May 31.
- Program Reports will be due by **May 31** of the following year.

Cycle 2:

- Applications will be due August 31.
- Recipients will be notified by October 6.
- Funding will be issued by October 31.
- Program Reports will be due by October 31 of the following year.

Application Guidelines:

- Grant application forms may be obtained by contacting your local County Farm Bureau or by contacting Amanda Williams, Foundation Director, at amanda.williams@arfb.com or (501)228-1493.
- Grant application forms must be completed and submitted by email to: <u>amanda.williams@arfb.com</u>
- All grant application forms must be signed by a county Farm Bureau president.
- Any single entity or organization that has received ArFB Foundation funding for a specific program for a total of two years, is not eligible to reapply for subsequent funding for the same program. After two years of funding for the same program, the entity or organization will be eligible to apply for funding of a different program.

- A specific program will be limited to a total of \$10,000 in funding.
- Grants will not be made to: individuals; fundraising events or celebrations; political or lobbying organizations; fraternal, athletic or social organizations; or organizations that do not directly serve Arkansas.
- Funding is not available for wages and benefits.
- Funding is not available for construction or purchase of facilities or purchase/rental of large equipment.
- All applications must be for projects relevant to the ArFB Foundation's Mission.
- Any grant application not meeting guidelines will be eliminated from the review process prior to examination by the ArFB Foundation Board. The following areas will disqualify:
 - Applicant failing to follow directions.
 - o Applications submitted after the deadline.
 - o Equipment or wages and benefits in the budget.
 - Applications not meeting basic qualifications.
 - o Applications not being signed by county Farm Bureau president.
- Any questions, regarding the application or review process, should be directed to Amanda Williams, Foundation Director, at <u>amanda.williams@arfb.com</u> or (501)228-1493.