



SEACOAST WOMEN'S
GIVING CIRCLE

2018 Request for Proposals
Topic: The Environment
Grant size: \$5,000 - \$30,000

The Seacoast faces unique and pressing environmental challenges. To address these challenges and build a more resilient community, the Seacoast Women's Giving Circle is accepting proposals for funding the environment. Successful proposals will foster one or more of the following:

- Advocacy
- Collaboration
- Community & Next Generation Engagement
- Education & Public Awareness
- Environmental Justice
- Scalability

Applicants must:

- Be an approved 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization
- Provide services in some or all of the following Seacoast towns of NH and Maine: Seabrook, Hampton, Hampton Falls, North Hampton, Rye, Portsmouth, New Castle, and Kittery

The following organizations are generally NOT eligible for support:

- Religious or faith based programs or organizations
- Political organizations or programs
- Organizations that discriminate in any way

Seacoast Women's Giving Circle Priorities

- Improving quality of life on the Seacoast
- Serving the socio-economically underprivileged
- Fostering independence and self-reliance
- Addressing emerging needs and issues
- Providing long-term solutions
- Investing in the expansion of existing organizations rather than the creation of new ones

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GRANT AMOUNT

Organizations may apply for a grant in any amount in the range of \$5,000 to \$30,000. Generally speaking, the grant amount requested should not exceed 10% of your organization's annual budget.

TIMELINE

**Friday, January 26, 2018:
Proposals due**

By April 6, 2018:
Grant recipients notified

May 17, 2018:
Fundraising celebration for 2018 grant recipients

Summer 2018:
Funds distributed

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Please ensure all required documents are included. Proposals are considered only when all components of the grant application are submitted.

Please email completed grant application and attachments to: give.swgc@gmail.com

- Attachments A, B, and C
- Summary Form
- Narrative

ATTACHMENTS - REQUIRED

Please clearly label all attachment files with your organization's name. Please provide:

- A. Organization's current 990 Form. Please include income statement, balance sheet, and operating budget and breakdown of organizational revenue sources for past fiscal year (include any Federal, State, Corporate or Individual giving).
- B. Board of Directors list, including length of service.
- C. Brief Executive Director biography including length of service with this organization.

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SUMMARY FORM – REQUIRED

1. Name of Organization	
2. Legal name (if different)	
3. Grant amount requested	
4. Organization Federal Tax I.D.#	
5. Organization address	
6. Phone and fax number	
7. Website address/Facebook	
8. Year founded	
9. Executive Director's Name	
10. Contact person for this proposal (Name, title, phone, email)	
11. Organization mission statement	
12. Statement of grant purpose ("This grant will be used to...")	
13. Which of the following are fostered by this proposal? Please list in order of priority Advocacy Collaboration Community & Next Gen Engagement Education & Public Awareness Environmental justice Scalability	
14. Which of the SWGC priorities does this grant address (see list on page 1)? Please list in order of priority	
15. Constituents served by organization (Include numbers and demographics)	

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16. Geographic area served by the proposal (Include numbers within SWGC catchment area, listed on page 1)	
17. Annual operating budget	
18. Number of paid staff (part/full-time)	
19. Number of volunteers (excluding board members)	
20. Size of Board of Directors	
21. How did you learn of this grant opportunity?	

NARRATIVE – REQUIRED

The total length of the narrative section *should not exceed three pages in size 12 font.*

1. Organization Overview

Provide an overview of your agency (history, mission, vision and primary programs and services).

2. Proposal

Provide a detailed description of how you plan to use SWGC funds, including desired outcomes and/or anecdotal evidence of successful initiatives in the past.

3. Amount Requested and Budget

Indicate the dollar amount requested and, if applicable, a detailed budget for the proposal. If additional funding outside of SWGC grant is required, how will you secure it?

4. Resources and Timeline

Discuss your organization's resources available to accomplish this grant proposal (i.e. staff/board time, skills, commitment, additional funding available). Provide a timeline for use of funds.

5. Impact

Why is this work compelling for your organization and the greater community at this time? How will this grant help achieve your organization's mission and goals?