



FOURWARD FUND

Positive Youth Development (PYD) Awards Application Q&A

- **What is the link for the application?**
 - www.4-H.org/applyfourward
- **Who can apply for the funding?**
 - Fiscally approved foundations, land-grant universities, and 4-H county programs.
- **Can we submit more than one application?**
 - **Option 1:** You may submit one application with multiple projects requests (up to the maximum award amount) per Foundation, land grant-university or 4-H county program.
 - **Option 2:** You may submit no more than 3 separate applications per foundation, land-grant-university or 4-H county program (up to the maximum award amount).

**National 4-H Council will not be asking State Program Leaders, Foundation Directors and/or Administrators to prioritize multiple application submissions during round 2.*
- **If, for example, we have one project that is split across three geographic regions, should we submit three different applications or include them in one application?**
 - You can do either.
- **What is the maximum award amount?**
 - You can apply for any amount up to \$15,000.
- **What will disqualify my application?**
 - Applications that do not address or respond to the question asked.
 - Applications missing State Program Leader, Foundation Director or Administrator approval.
 - Applications from entities (Foundation, LGU or 4-H County Program) that are not fiscally approved or not under review for fiscal eligibility.
 - Applications that have an incorrect Payment Recipient, i.e. the recipient is an individual and not a fiscally approved entity (Foundation, LGU or 4-H County Program) or entity under review for fiscal eligibility.

- **If we submitted an application during round 1, are we allowed to resubmit that application for round 2?**
 - Yes, if your application was not selected for funding during round 1, you may resubmit your application for round 2 at www.4-H.org/applyfourward.

- **If I was awarded funds in round 1, may I apply for funds in round 2?**
 - No, LGUs awarded in round 1 are ineligible for funds in round 2.

- **What is the purpose of the funding?**
 - To provide support to limited resource audiences who are affected by Covid-19. This is defined as youth in settings affected by limitations in resources such as income, transportation, broadband access, employment, educational services and/or who do not currently have access to out-of-school time positive youth development programs.

- **What is the deadline for the applications?**
 - The application will open September 30 and be due no later than October 19 by 11:59 pm ET

- **Will all applications be considered, or will the funding be on a first come, first served basis?**
 - All applications submitted for Round 2 of funding and by the October 19 deadline will be considered for funding.

- **Is there a word or character limit for the applications?**
 - No, but we encourage you to be clear and concise. Help us to see exactly how your project will help underserved and limited resource youth.

- **What should the focus of our application be on?**
 - The four essential elements of PYD – Independence, Mastery, Belonging and Generosity. You don't need to include all four elements, however given what we're hearing from young people about how isolated they are feeling during Covid-19, we would like to see how you will include a focus on Belonging in your project, along with any of the other PYD elements that apply. You must also reach a limited resource audience and clearly describe who that audience is. In addition, applicants will be required to respond to one question focusing on how your project(s) will address diversity, equity and inclusion.

- **How do you define 'under-resourced' youth?**
 - We use this term interchangeably with 'limited access,' 'limited resource' and 'underserved'. It describes a group that has traditionally found it difficult to access 4-H programs for reasons such as geographic location or a lack of financial resources. For the purposes of your application, this could also include a group that, due to Covid-19, would now be considered under-resourced, for example if they lack access to broadband.

- **Could we put the funding towards curriculum development for underserved youth?**
 - Yes, but you'll need to explain how it will meet the needs of young people affected by Covid-19 in the six-month period and ensure that it includes elements of PYD, including Belonging, and address diversity, equity and inclusion.
- **Can the award be used for stipends for under-resourced teens to create virtual teaching videos for younger people?**
 - Yes, as long as they align with the purpose of the award and incorporate aspects of PYD, including Belonging, and address diversity, equity and inclusion.
- **Can the funding be put towards a salary rather than a project?**
 - If you would like to pay a salary from an award, we would need you to include information in your application about what that person will be doing to contribute to PYD and diversity, equity and inclusion over the six-month period. Please be specific.
- **Can we put forward any projects for funding, such as ones that have taken place in the past?**
 - No, only projects that are currently underway or new projects will be considered.
- **Do we need to have any specific documentation in place before we submit our application?**
 - Yes – please ensure that you have 2020 fiscal eligibility or have a submitted application that is under review. If you do not already have this, you will need to log onto the [Webgrants grant management portal](#) and access the application for 2020 fiscal eligibility under the heading: Funding Opportunities. Any applications without the above will be disqualified from funding.
- **What will happen once we submit our application?**
 - An automated email will go out to the person who submitted the application as well as the relevant State Program Leader, Foundation Director or Administrator. They will be asked to approve the application by October 21, 11:59pm ET. If we do not receive their response approving your application by the deadline, your application will be disqualified from funding.
- **When will award announcements be made?**
 - Award announcements will be made November 17 – 20.
- **When will we receive the funds if our application is awarded?**
 - You will receive 100% of the funds within 14 business days of notification of your award.
- **Can we put any of the award we receive towards ICR?**
 - Council is not allowing indirect costs, gift or advancement fees to be drawn from the award. All funding must go towards a 4-H program or project.

- **Will you require us to report back on our funded projects?**
 - Yes – at the conclusion of the six-month period for Round 2, we will require an impact summary from you that details what the funding was used for, how many kids were reached, and the outcome of the project. In addition, we strongly encourage you to include photos, as these will be used to encourage potential donors to fund additional rounds.

- **When does the 6-month period begin?**
 - The 6-month period will begin upon notification of award.

- **Will there be more than one round of funding?**
 - At this time, this will be the last emergency funding available under FOURWARD Fund PYD.

Thank you for all you do to support young people and communities nationwide. If you have additional questions, please reach out to Jeanine Goldsmith (jgoldsmith@4-h.org) or Nina Lovelace (nlovelace@4-h.org).