

2024 Grant Opportunities Info Session

Tuesday, January 30 | 1:00 PM



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Our mission:

Putting **philanthropy** into action to create **lasting solutions** that result in **vibrant communities** within the Greater Hartford region.

Our strategic goals:

Dismantle Structural Racism

- **Shifting power:** change makeup of who benefits from opportunity (program, service, experience, funding) and who makes decisions about practice, policy and allocation of resources
- **Building power (policy and practice):** support and lead efforts to change organizational and systemic policies and practice to advance racial and ethnic equity
- **Influencing attitudes and beliefs:** support and lead awareness, education, training and movement building to address individual, organizational and systemic bias

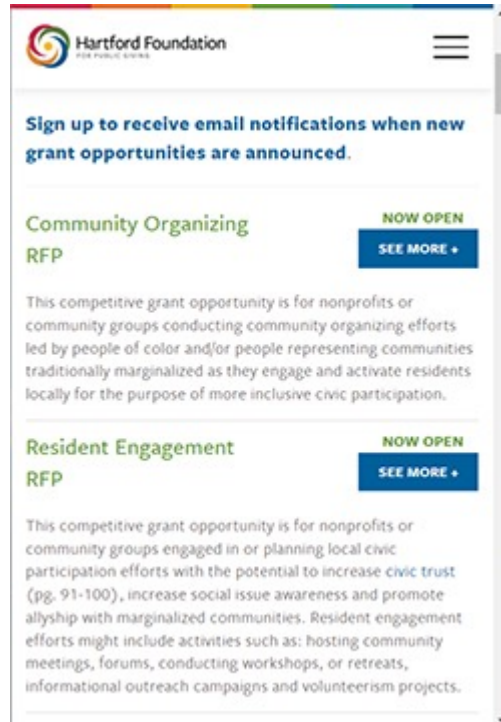
Advance Equitable Economic and Social Mobility

Support strategic outcomes contributing to residents' efforts to reach their potential (prioritizing residents of color)

- Increase number of Hartford residents living in **higher opportunity neighborhoods**
- Improve **physical and emotional wellbeing** of residents
- Increase **employment opportunities** for Black and Latine residents
- Increase **civic engagement, participation and awareness**
- Increase equity and inclusion in the **arts sector**

*Definitions will be informed and evolve through learning

How to Find Grant Opportunities



- View our **2024 RFP Calendar**: hfpg.org/opportunities
- **Sign up to receive notifications** about new RFPs and Grant Opportunities: hfpg.org/opportunities#sign-up
- Not sure where to start? **Talk to a staff member**: applications@hfpg.org

2024 Opportunities

Q1 RFPs:

- Get out the Vote **OPEN NOW Closes February 20**
- Love Your Block Call For Ideas **OPENS FEBRUARY 14 Closes March 15**

ANTICIPATED UPCOMING RFPs

- Basic Human Needs Emergency Assistance: Round I - Early **April** ; Round II - **August**
- Community Organizing and Resident Engagement **Late April**
- Giving Circle Funds: **July-August**
- Special Town Funds: Sestero Fund (Glastonbury); Pomeroy Brace Fund (Granby): **August**
- 2025 Summer Programming: **November**

Access Grants Update

- Announcement made last year that Access Grants would have its final round in 2023.
- The Foundation will offer a new grant opportunity in 2024, “Open Door Grants,” that will expand its support to organizations who do not receive multi-year grants through any of the Foundation’s strategic outcome areas.
- Please check on our website the first week of March to learn more about Open Door grants and its eligibility considerations here: <https://www.hfpg.org/nonprofits>

Capacity Building/Nonprofit Support Program (NSP)

- NSP is the organizational capacity building arm of Hartford Foundation
- Services and programs help nonprofit leaders to manage and govern their organizations more effectively
- 5 upcoming programs
- 5 ongoing programs/grants

Upcoming Programs

Executive Management Institute for Executive Directors/CEOs

- April – October 2024. Applications available in February 2024

Data Strategic Planning

- Offered in partnership with CTData, this program helps nonprofits learn how to improve their internal data structures and processes so they can use data to better understand the results of their work.

Listen4Good

- Offered in partnership with Listen4Good, this program allows nonprofits to learn to build sustainable systems for gathering and using client feedback to improve programs and strengthen client partnerships.

Upcoming Programs (cont'd)

Catchafire

- Connects nonprofits with skilled professional volunteers
- Accounting & Finance, Marketing, Website development, Data Analysis, Fundraising, Graphic Design, HR, Technology, and more.
- To register: <https://hfpg.catchafire.org/>

Hartford Public Library Workshops for Small and Emerging Nonprofits

- Spring Workshops – coming soon
- Previous workshop recordings available [here](#)



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Grants/Programs Offered on an Ongoing/Rolling Basis:

Operating Support for Small Nonprofit Organizations

<https://www.hfpgnonprofitsupportprogram.org/i-need-help-with/small-nonprofit-organizations>

- For organizations with budgets less than \$300,000
- Grants up to \$15,000 total for 2 years

Contact: *Lucas Codognolla, Senior Community Impact Officer, lcodognolla@hfpg.org*

Technical Assistance Grants (TAGs)

<https://www.hfpgnonprofitsupportprogram.org/what-we-offer/technical-assistance-grants>

- For organization-wide planning – strategic, fundraising or marketing planning; board development; collaborations and mergers; improving human resources systems; and more.
- Grants cover the cost of a consultant's time

Contact: *Meher Shulman, Associate Director, NSP, mshulman@hfpg.org*

Executive Transition Grants

<https://www.hfpgnonprofitsupportprogram.org/what-we-offer/executive-transitions>

- Transition and search for a new executive director/CEO
- Grants cover the cost of a consultant's time

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Grants/Programs Offered on an Ongoing/Rolling Basis cont:

Strategic Technology Program

<https://www.hfpgnonprofitsupportprogram.org/i-need-help-with/technology>

- For nonprofits with budgets over \$300,000
- Assessment of technology needs
- Creation of a strategic technology plan
- Grants to fund items in technology plan

Contact: Amy Studwell, Senior Community Impact Officer, astudwell@hfpg.org

Financial Management Grants

<https://www.hfpgnonprofitsupportprogram.org/i-need-help-with/managing-finances>

- Review of financial systems/processes by a financial expert
- Identify areas for improvement
- Grants for implementation

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- All programs are listed on the NSP website:

<https://www.hfpgnonprofitsupportprogram.org>

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Questions?

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Thank you!

Hartford Foundation Learning and Evaluation

We work with partners to strengthen the regional data, research & evaluation ecosystem

- Improved data sharing and integration in Hartford and the Greater Hartford Region
- Improved cultural responsiveness and equity in evaluation and learning practice
- Improve actionable data about the Greater Hartford Region that allows disaggregation and analysis by geography, income, and race/ethnicity

We support development of grant outcomes and reporting processes



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Local and Regional Data Resources

Do you need reliable and actionable data to:

- Make the case about community needs and assets in a grant application?
- Identify gaps in your community when developing your programs?
- Get a better sense of town demographics?
- Understand social and economic trends in the region?

Quick Data Resources:

CTData (Help line info@ctdata.org)

- [Connecticut Town Profiles](#)
- [Data by topic area](#)

DataHaven

- [Connecticut Town Equity Reports](#) (town-level indicators by income, gender, age, race, etc.)
- [2023 Greater Hartford Community Wellbeing Index](#) (regional wellbeing indicators)
- [Knowledge Center \(by topic area\)](#)

Contacts

Do you have questions about data, developing grant outcomes, and reporting?

Reach out to your Community Impact Officer or someone on the L&E team:

- Kelly Casey, Senior Learning & Evaluation Officer kcasey@hfpg.org
- Kate Szczerbacki, Director of Strategic Learning & Evaluation kszczerbacki@hfpg.org