



Contributions Guidelines

Partnering With Community

Partnering with community has been a longstanding tradition at John Hancock. We truly believe the community is strengthened when hands come together.

Grantmaking Focus

The mission of John Hancock in the community is to provide the greatest level of support for **Boston youth and families** most in need.

Our geographic focus is the city of Boston, because we believe we must support the world-class institutions and community-based agencies in the city that has been our home for more than 140 years.

John Hancock serves our community by providing program grants that directly serve Boston youth and families in need. John Hancock does not typically fund general operating support, capital campaigns, building renovations or endowments.

Proposal Guidelines

Eligibility

- Applicants must be organizations qualified as 501(c)(3) tax exempt by the Internal Revenue Service of the U.S. Treasury Department.
- Strong preference for Boston non-profits that serve Boston youth and families.

Grant Process

- Grant proposals are accepted on a rolling basis and are reviewed quarterly by a committee.
- Notification of decisions will be sent via mail.

Submitting a Request

- The Associated Grantmakers of Massachusetts (AGM) Common Proposal Format is required. To view the format, please visit AGM's website at www.agmconnect.org.
- Proposals must include AGM Common Proposal Cover Summary.

- Include the following attachments:
 - Proof of 501(c)(3) tax status
 - List of Current Board Members and affiliations
 - List of current funders
 - Organizational budget
 - Program budget
- Proposals with a cover letter can be submitted to:

Carol Fulp
Vice President
Community Relations
John Hancock Financial Services
601 Congress Street
Boston, MA 02210

Funding Restrictions

John Hancock does not typically make multi-year grants and does not provide grants to resolve emergency cash flow problems.

The following prospective recipients and activities are not eligible for grant consideration:

Recipients

- Individuals
- Religious organizations requesting funds for sectarian activities
- Veterans organizations
- Labor organizations
- Government agencies
- Fraternal / social organizations

Activities

- Capital campaigns
- Trips, tours and transportation
- Deficit spending
- Partisan political advertising
- Endowments