TogetherATL 2023

Places and Neighborhoods Open Grant Cycle Guidelines

Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta
About Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta
The Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta inspires and leads the Atlanta region toward equity and shared prosperity for all who call it home. TogetherATL is the Foundation’s strategic ethos, working through a collaborative approach with community stakeholders, donors, nonprofits, and others to examine complex challenges the region faces and create solutions that build a thriving region. For more information visit: cfgreateratlanta.org or connect with the Foundation via Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, and Twitter.

“Our place-based approach works with and for communities. We focus deeply in key neighborhoods and center community voice and power by providing resources and support to the residents and organizations of each place. Each of these communities are dramatically different and so each unique strategy – shaped in partnership with residents – is also different.”

2023 PLACES AND NEIGHBORHOODS - OPEN GRANT CYCLE GOALS

Through this funding opportunity, the place-based portfolio seeks to support organizations within its three communities of focus (Thomasville Heights, Fair Oaks in South Cobb and College Park/East Point areas in South Fulton), providing the following types of programming and advocacy in one or more of the Community Foundation’s neighborhoods of focus:

Housing and Neighborhoods – support to organizations who are working on helping people stay in homes and/or creating more housing affordability options. This includes initiatives focused on promoting homeownership, dedicated programming to serve people with critical housing needs (i.e., rental and utility assistance), and the production and preservation of affordable housing units.

Income and Wealth – support to organizations working to reduce racial income and wealth gaps by supporting career and workforce development and access to capital for individuals and families in the region. This includes advocacy for consumer protections and reforms, dismantling systems of wealth extraction, increased accessibility, efficiency, and flexibility in social safety net and work support programs

Power and Leadership – Support to organizations working to increase civic engagement and voter participation rates in the Thomasville, Fair Oaks and/or College Park/East Point neighborhoods. This includes organizations working in the community to shift power and foster a sense of belonging in the hands of the community through community engagement and civic engagement practices by implementing civic engagement strategies and outreach efforts to inform, organize and support communities around issues related to civic participation, voter outreach and engagement.

Arts, Culture and Creative Enterprises – Support to organizations focused on the creation of art, along with support for the arts and culture ecosystem within the Thomasville, Fair Oaks and/or College Park/East Point neighborhoods. The Foundation acknowledges that art and
Culture are often used as tools to amplify and activate community voice, strengthen the regional economy, and foster learning at all stages of life.

**Education/Youth Development** – Support to organizations working to support K–12 education and/or afterschool programming in the Thomasville, Fair Oaks and/or College Park/East Point neighborhoods. The Foundation supports organizations working to positively impact the academic success of students and to close the achievement gap.

**Health and Well-being** – Support to organizations working to provide access to the physical, mental and behavioral health of individuals and families in the Thomasville, Fair Oaks and/or College Park/East Point neighborhoods.

Support provided through this funding opportunity may be general operating support, based on the programmatic and organizational model of applicant. Organizations must provide the above programming or advocacy directly, not through an intermediary or partner organization.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE**

Awards will vary in size based on the number of applicants and funds requested.

**Grant awards are based on need and available funding and can be up to $200,000 for 1–2 years of support.**
Eligible organizations must:

• Be located and/or providing services in the Foundation’s three priority neighborhoods: Historic Thomasville, Fair Oaks and College Park/East Point

• Priority will be given to organizations whose service area aligns with the neighborhood geographic boundaries (highlighted in the Geographic Boundaries section) and is providing service within those neighborhood boundaries.

• Please see the “Geographic Boundaries” section.

• Within each neighborhood consideration will also be given to organizations that serve the corresponding zip codes
  - Fair Oaks neighborhood (30008, 30060 and 30080)
  - College Park/East Point community (30337, 30349 and 30344)
  - Thomasville Heights (30315)

• Be classified by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service under Section 501(c)(3) of the I.R.S. code as a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization, donations to which are deductible as charitable contributions under Section 170 (c)(2) and the I.R.S. determination must be current

• Be registered with the Georgia Secretary of State as a nonprofit (click here to verify: (https://ecorp.sos.ga.gov/BusinessSearch)

• Directly provide services the grant opportunity intends to fund

Geographic Boundaries

*Note: At this time Tier I geographic boundaries have not been set for the College Park/East Point community.

Thomasville
Priority groups
Priority will be given to organizations who have been serving/engaging the specified communities for a minimum of two years and with annual operating budgets under $2 million and to Black, Asian, and/or Latino led and serving organizations, which is defined as organizations that meet at least three of the following four criteria:

1) Organizational leader is Black, Asian, and/or Latino;
2) Majority of board members are Black, Asian, and/or Latino;
3) Majority of clients served are Black, Asian, and/or Latino; and/or
4) Staffing of the organization or the program/project of which funds are requested are majority Black, Asian, and/or Latino. Preference will be given to organizations operating multiple strategic initiatives that are in line with the fund’s stated goals.

Ineligible organizations
• Organizations that require participation in religious services and/or religious education as a condition of receiving services; and/or
• Organizations that have discriminatory policies and/or practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, economic status, disability, sex/gender, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information or political beliefs.
• Organizations not directly providing programming or advocacy as stated in goals above. If your organization does not qualify for this funding opportunity but aligns with other TogetherATL priorities as described on our website, please continue to monitor future funding opportunities and update Foundation staff on your work.

Ineligible usage of funds
• Religious services and/or religious education
• Endowment funds
The Foundation cannot guarantee funding to every applicant, given the amount of funding available. Awards will vary in size based on the number of applicants and funds requested.

Organizations must complete/update their Organizational Profile using the Nonprofit Online Portal and complete the application. Interested organizations are encouraged to attend a virtual orientation on Monday, June 12 from 2-3 p.m. A recording of this session will be posted to the Foundation’s website after the webinar.

Applications will be evaluated based on the above stated goals, priorities and requirements. Please contact Katrina Julien, Senior Program Officer, at kjulien@cfgreateratlanta.org with any questions about this funding opportunity.

### 2023 GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY TIMELINE

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