The Callison Foundation Guidelines 2024

1. The Callison Foundation only accepts invited grant proposals.
2. Deadlines in 2024 : **Letter of Interest *(new groups only)*: May 1st**

 Notification on Letter of Interest: Early June

 **Proposal:** **July 31st**

 Award Notification: Mid December

1. What we fund: Callison Foundation provides grants up to $25,000 in the following three areas:

***Education****:* Reading, math, physical sciences, arts, learning-disability, after-school and summer programs for underprivileged children, pre-k through 12. College access and college persistence programs.

***Children and Youth Services***: At-risk youth. Programs for children with a difficult home environment, such as foster care hardships or incarcerated parents. Crisis situations, such as child trafficking or medical emergencies.

***Adult and Senior Services***: Services for adults of any age facing homelessness, domestic violence, or other crisis circumstances. Programs that help seniors stay in their homes or improve conditions in long-term care facilities. We occasionally support job-training programs if they show demonstrated success.

1. Please note:
* The Callison Foundation funds smaller organizations.
* The Foundation prefers to support organizations with unique offerings, and a maximum of 30% government funding for the program for which you are asking support.
* Callison Foundation does not fund capital campaigns.
* Due to limited resources and our interest in supporting a variety of organizations over time, within any eight-year time period, an organization can only receive funding for five years. You may be awarded Callison grants no more than five calendar years between 2017 and 2024.
* Your letter of interest and proposal are more likely to be moved forward if you can demonstrate:
* Strategic interventions that change the trajectory of people’s lives.
* A focus on low-income constituents in the geographic areas in which we fund.
* High volunteer involvement.
* Measurable outcomes.
1. Geography: Programs operating in the counties which abut San Francisco Bay: San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano, Napa, Sonoma, and Marin Counties.

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