

**Community Health Systems Foundation**

**Spring 2024 Grant Cycle**

*Serving Non-Profits focused on the Health Needs of Greater Attleboro Area residents.*

**Grant Guidelines and Key Dates**

**The Mission of Community Health Systems Foundation** is to provide grants to nonprofit organizations which enhance the community’s capacity to achieve optimal health, wellness, and quality of life.

**What we are funding this round:**

The CHS Foundation seeks proposals from nonprofit organizations which address current and emerging health needs and health issues in our catchment area. Proposals must address how the organization and proposed grant funded programs will support residents in our catchment area to live healthier lives and/or gain access to needed health services.

Foundation funding can be utilized for:

* Programs, services or projects (new or established).
* Up to 10% of the grant funds can be used for administrative costs.

**Typical grant range:**

Grant range is $5,000-$50,000 with the average amount being $25,000.

**Qualifications/requirements:**

**To apply for a grant, applicants must:**

* Be a 501(c)3 organization in good standing, meeting the health and wellness needs of residents living in one or more of our 13 identified communities.
* Have an annual budget greater than $100,000 (smaller organizations apply if they have a fiscal sponsor and/or they are applying in partnership with other organizations whose budgets together reach the $100,000 threshold).
* Have submitted all reports for previous grant awards.
* The Foundation supports 501(c)(3) organizations primarily serving the residents of 13 communities in southeastern Massachusetts (Bristol and southern Norfolk Counties), including: Attleboro, Dighton, Easton, Franklin, Foxboro, Mansfield, North Attleboro, Norton, Plainville, Rehoboth, Seekonk, Taunton, and Wrentham, with a focus in the Greater Attleboro area.
* Faith-based organizations that are qualified 501 c 3 organizations are eligible for grants if requested funds support a program or service that benefits the larger community beyond the church's membership.

**Key dates for grant cycle and how to apply:**

* **Grant Cycle announced and open for applications March 1st 2024**
* Grantee question/answer period: March 1st \_ March 15th questions should be emailed to Robin Cuddy: chsfoundationma@gmail.com
* Grant reports for all previous funding must be filed by April 1st. No new applications will be eligible for funding until prior reports are received.
* Grant applications due Wednesday April 5th, 2024, 5:00PM
* Grant applications should be sent electronically to Robin Cuddy at chsfoundationma@gmail.com.
* Grant award date: no later than first week in May 2024
* Grant application forms can be found on the Foundation website:
* Please note all grant recipients will be required to complete a grant report within one year of receiving a grant award.

Website: <https://chsfoundationma.godaddysites.com>

**Who we are:**

*Community Health Systems (CHS) was established in 1994 to support the work of the nonprofit Community Visiting Nurse Agency of Attleboro (Community VNA), whose roots date to 1911 when it was formed as the Anti-Tuberculosis Society. For more than 35 years, CHS supported the communities served by Community VNA and its affiliates through a variety of free care and other activities. In the summer of 2020, Community VNA announced its intention to merge with HopeHealth of Providence, RI. In keeping with its original mission of supporting the health and wellness of the towns historically served by Community VNA, the Community Health Systems Foundation was formed on September 1, 2021.*