



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THE LEGACY GRANT APPLICATION

The 2017-2018 Legacy Grant Award will be awarded to a single entity for a total of \$1 million dollars and will be paid out over multiple years. Organizations focusing on Health and Human Services, Education, Services to Youth, Legal Defense Funds, Cause Related Entities, Think Tanks, Public Policy, and Advocacy organizations are welcome to apply.

The Links Foundation awards Legacy Grants in the following categories:

- Arts and Culture
- Education
- Capital Projects
- Acquisition and construction of facilities
- New construction and existing property renovation
- Major equipment purchases

The Links Foundation looks favorably upon projects that:

- Provide measureable and meaningful results
- Demonstrate financial stability and accountability
- Have multiple funding sources, most of which are already identified and secured
- Has had or will have significant impact on the African-American community
- Aligns with the mission and work of The Links Foundation, Incorporated and The Links, Incorporated
- Provide recognition opportunities for The Links Foundation, Incorporated

Important Dates

- September 15, 2017– Deadline for accepting applications for the 2017-2018 Legacy Grant
- November 30, 2017 - Applicants notified of results

Applicant Qualifications

- Grant applicant must be an IRS designated 501c (3) non-profit organization.

Organizations whose IRS tax-exempt status is pending approval are not eligible to apply for funding.

- Past Legacy Grant recipients must wait 12 years following their last Legacy Grant payment before applying for another award.

Application must be for a different project/initiative than the one previously funded.

- Applicants must have secured at least 50% of their project budget prior to seeking funding from The Links Foundation for capital projects.

For example, if the overall capital budget is \$4 million, an applicant must have \$2 million secured.

For non-capital project requests, applicants may not request more than 25% of their project costs or 25% of their annual operating budget from The Links Foundation.

The Links Foundation will not accept Legacy Grant applications for:

- Political parties, campaigns, candidates or partisan organizations
- Individual members or chapters of The Links, Incorporated
- Organizations that redistribute Legacy Grant funds to other groups (except for a fiscal agent)
- Debt-reduction or retirement campaigns
- Memorials – Fellowships
- Personnel expenses, including salaries, bonuses, benefits
- Expenses for grant writers or grant application preparers
- Expenses for fundraising/campaign consultants or contracted fundraising services
- Programs for the development of exhibits without a service component
- Programs which discriminate on the basis of race, age, gender, religion, national origin, disability or sexual orientation
- Religious purposes
- Medical research

Please direct all Legacy Grant inquiries and questions in writing to:

- Grants and Grants in Aid Committee Chair Link Judith N. Batty
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- All responses will be provided in writing