

# Oldham County Fiscal Court

## Grant Policy

### Statement of Intent

It is the policy of Oldham County Fiscal Court to support non-profit (i.e., 501c3) organizations which meet certain criteria. As a general rule, these organizations must have a presence in Oldham County, serve a public purpose in concert with the goals and activities of OCFC and must be accountable for their use of donated funds. Categories of these which OCFC has supported in the past include:

#### **Arts and Humanities**

OCFC has supported arts and humanities which have:

- Contributed to tourism in Oldham County
- Conducted activity (e.g., record keeping) on behalf of Fiscal Court
- Supported community-wide celebrations
- Encouraged arts activity on the part of Oldham Countians
- Played an educational role for Oldham Countians, particularly students

#### **Social Services**

OCFC intends to support those social services agencies which meet any or all of the following qualifications:

- They provide a needed service to disadvantaged Oldham Countians
- They provide an emergency social service to Oldham Countians
- They provide a social service not otherwise available to Oldham Countians

#### **Recreation**

OCFC intends to support those recreational activities on behalf of Oldham Countians, which meet the following qualifications:

- They serve a population in County-owned facilities
- Their activities are gender-neutral
- Their activities are largely financially supported by the participants

## **Timing and Process**

In order to process funding requests in a timely and efficient manner, Fiscal Court has established the following schedule of requests and responses:

- **April 1** – The agency or organization will submit its request, including: (1) a statement of need; (2) a specific statement of the proposed use of funds; (3) a copy of the most recent balance sheet, income statement, and current year’s budget (audited, if possible, and, if not possible, with an accountant certification), and; (4) if a recipient of funds for the prior year, a statement of the use of those funds.
- **April 15 through June 15** – Oldham County Fiscal Court may ask for an oral presentation.
- **July 15** – Oldham County Fiscal Court will inform the agency or organization of the disposition of its request.

## **Accountability**

Fiscal Court has a responsibility to Oldham County taxpayers to assure that bequests are being granted and administered according to the terms of this policy statement, and according to the needs for which the funds were granted. Accordingly, any agency or organization requesting funds will be held to a high standard for reporting its current financial situation and its specific intention for use of requested funds.

Moreover, any agency or organization requesting funds, and which has previously received a grant from Oldham County Fiscal Court, will be asked to report in detail on the use to which those funds were put.