

****IMPORTANT!! PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND REVIEW ALL GUIDELINES AND RESTRICTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT OR SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION****

MISSION: The mission of the Mavs Foundation is to assist young people through programs stressing education, good health, and skills necessary for their future success.

The Dallas Mavericks possess a strong sense of social responsibility, acknowledging that a community is only as strong as its weakest link. Established in October 1996, the Mavs Foundation is dedicated to inspiring and motivating youth to take their education seriously, strive for healthy bodies and minds, become involved in community service activities, set personal goals, visualize their dreams, and take responsibility for their own lives and neighborhoods. It is a 501(c)(3) private charity, and although it is affiliated with the Dallas Mavericks professional basketball team, is incorporated as a separate business entity.

It is the intention of the Mavs Foundation to do what it can as a grant-making organization to help the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex be a nurturing environment within which human beings thrive. Because of the high-profile nature of the sport of basketball and its athletes, we have the opportunity to assist local youth projects and programs in increasing the opportunities for our youth to live healthy, fulfilling lives. With a solid foundation, our youth can then go on to make significant contributions to society.

The Mavs Foundation supports the programs and organizations in the Metroplex which address the community's most pressing problems involving youth, specifically education, good health, and community service activity. Visit www.mavsfoundation.com for a complete listing of previous award recipients and programs.

Regrettably, the Mavs Foundation receives many more requests for support than it can possibly fund, and some requests are therefore declined even though they may meet Foundation requirements. All applicants will receive a response to their grant request by the end of September.

RESTRICTIONS:

Grants will not be made to individuals, churches, public/private schools, or national organizations that do not have locally, financially independent chapters.

Grants will not be made for medical research, travel, salaries, operational phases of established programs, political campaigns or fundraising events, including the purchase of tables, tickets or advertisements.

The Mavs Foundation does not commit funds for continued support of long-term programs lasting more than one year, endowment campaigns, administrative costs, advertising/fundraising drives, salaries for staff/individuals, intermediary funding agencies and/or research.

The Foundation does not fund multi-year grants.

If an organization is awarded grants for two consecutive years, that organization will be ineligible for an award for one year.

TO COMPLETE APPLICATION:

1. Attach copy of IRS final determination letter - 501(c)(3) only.
2. Include the actual or tentative project budget.
3. Include a budget breakdown of how the \$25,000 grant will be used (separate from the overall project budget, if applicable).
4. Include the project timeline.
5. Include a roster of your officers and board members.
6. Include your organization's fact sheet, which includes your mission statement.
7. Please send 15 complete sets of your proposal. Incomplete packets and/or applications submitted in pencil will automatically be disqualified. Requests for grants cannot be processed via fax, e-mail or telephone.

MAIL OR DELIVER TO:

Mavs Foundation
Foundation Grant Application
2909 Taylor Street
Dallas, Texas 75226

All applications must be postmarked by June 30th of each year for funding for the following season.

All requests for funding must be in the amount of \$25,000.

Proposals will be reviewed by the Board of Trustees, and recommendations will be made to the Dallas Mavericks team owner, with whom final decisions lie. There is one grant cycle annually.

Mavs Foundation Board Members meet annually to vote on grant proposals. Due to the overwhelming number of grant applications received, selected charities will be notified of approval by the end of September each year.

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Mavs Foundation Grant Application Form

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Please type/print neatly all information on this application form. Up to two additional pages are allowed. You may use a computer if you duplicate the application form exactly. Remember, only complete applications will be considered so please refer to the requirements below and submit all necessary paperwork.

Charity: _____

What is the "name" of the project for which you have requested funding?

Legal name of organization as listed with IRS 501(c)(3) if different from above:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Website: _____

Organization's Board Chairman:

_____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Organization's President:

_____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Organization's Executive Director:

_____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Who is responsible for coordinating, implementing/directing the proposed Project?

_____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

How many years has your organization been in business?

What is your organization's total fundraising goal for this year?

What is the total amount budgeted for this project?

\$ _____

What are the expected results of this project?

What are the top three "pros" of this project and/or why should the Mavs Foundation fund this request?

Briefly state the types of programs offered by your organization (other than the program for which you are requesting funding):

What is the relationship of this project to the overall mission of your organization?

What public or private agencies will you work with in carrying out this project?

List other principal sources of funding (start with United Way if applicable):

Please describe how this project will be financed after your initial funding expires:

Does this project duplicate any others in your geographic area? If yes, what distinguishes it from others?

Funded organizations must submit a follow-up evaluation of their special program/project to the Mavs Foundation. Describe your method of evaluating your project's effectiveness and communicating these results to your donors:

Briefly state your organization's history and accomplishments:

If your organization receives a grant from the Mavs Foundation, does your organization, in consideration thereof, (1) warrant and represent that any amount received from the Mavs Foundation will be used solely for the purpose you described herein, and (2) hereby agree to submit, upon request, independent audits showing how your organization used any such grant from the Mavs Foundation?

_____ Yes _____ No

The undersigned certifies the information and statements in this application are true and correct as of the date submitted. The undersigned understands falsification and/or omission of material facts in this application may be cause of disqualification. The undersigned acknowledges the Mavs Foundation is relying on the information contained in this application and other statements or materials submitted to decide whether to give the requested funds.

Signature of person authorized to submit this proposal Name and Title:

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____