



Funding & Application Guide

Overview of Eligibility

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Introduction

The Platte County Senior Fund (PCSF) was created by a voter supported ballot initiative on November 3, 1992. PCSF began to provide services in 1994. The approved legislation allows Platte County to levy and collect a property tax of five cents per hundred dollars of valuation, for the purpose of providing services to persons sixty years of age or older. Our vision is for Platte County to be an aging-friendly county where older residents can remain self-sufficient and independent in their home as long as possible.

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We support this vision by seeking applications from nonprofit agencies or city or county government to operate senior centers for Platte County residents 60+ years of age. Senior centers are age-friendly community hubs where older adults can access a range of activities and services to improve their health, nutrition, well-being and independence. Our vision is that more than one senior center will be operated in Platte County, one in each of more than one different municipality. We believe that this will facilitate access to the senior centers by locating them closer to the service population than is the case with only one senior center in the county.

Organization Eligibility

- Any organization that is, or is fiscally sponsored by, a 501c3, a Platte County Governmental Entity or a Platte County business.
- Provide services to Platte County residents 60 years of age and older.
- Have demonstrated capacity to carry out program work funded by proposed grant.
- Have policies and procedures in place to manage finances and can provide documentation of past financials (e.g., audited financial statements, IRS 990, other documentation) upon request.
- Fit within the vision and priorities of PCSF as stated in the request for proposals.
- Organizations can submit only one proposal as the lead organization in response to any given RFP (Request for Proposal).

Award Budget

- For requests that may in part benefit services for clients that are not Platte County residents who are 60 years or older, we expect that additional funding sources will contribute to total program costs. If the proportion of the total funding to provide for the clients is outside our service criteria, documentation must be provided.
- Funding from PCSF are meant to build upon, not take the place of or supplant, existing program and service funding. For existing programs, applicants will need to explain to PCSF why support is needed (e.g., expansion of current services, loss of funding).

Questions & Feedback

We encourage prospective applicants to contact us at dgwin@platteseniors.org or (816) 270-2800 with any questions. We will provide prompt responses to all inquiries within and outside of our grant process.

Application Access & Submission

For application submissions, all required forms must be completed. Electronic submission of application documents is preferred to dgwin@platteseniors.org.

Reservation of Rights

PCSF reserves the right to:

- Reject any and all applications received with or without cause.
- Request additional information as PCSF may deem necessary.
- Waive any and all nonmaterial irregularities pertaining to applications received.
- Disqualify any and all applicants and reject any and all applications for failure to comply with our application format or to promptly provide additional requested material or information.
- Supplement, amend, substitute or otherwise modify our requests for applications.
- Negotiate final agreement terms with any applicant, which may vary from the contents of the original application.
- Discuss the application submitted with any or all other applicants.
- Enter into any agreement deemed by PCSF to be in its best interest.

Each applicant, in seeking, receiving, or possessing a request for applications and/or in submitting an application in response does release, indemnify, and hold PCSF and its various employees, representatives, and agents harmless from and against all claims and demands of any and all loss, cost, damage, or liability of whatever nature, which may be asserted against or imposed against PCSF as a result of issuing requests for applications, making any revisions thereto, conducting a selection process and subsequent negotiations, and making a final recommendation Platte County Senior Fund Overview of Eligibility and/or entering into a grant agreement. PCSF will not be responsible for any expenses incurred in the preparation or presentation of any proposal.

Record of Submissions

All materials submitted in accordance with a request for applications will become and remains the property of the Senior Fund and will not be returned. All responses will be considered public records but may be deemed and treated as “closed” or “exempt” by the Senior Fund at the sole discretion of the Senior Fund, pursuant to its understanding and interpretation of the laws of the State of Missouri. All proposal materials may become open records. The Senior Fund cannot guarantee confidentiality of any materials during the evaluation process or at any other time. Thus, any applications and

other materials or communications submitted in response to a request for applications should be assumed to be subject to public disclosure.

Notification of Awards

Applicants will be notified if they have been selected for further consideration, usually via email. A selection or designation of a successful applicant shall not be construed as an offer of engagement until a contract is signed. For grant agreements to take effect, all applicable parties with the authority to bind the respective entity must sign the grant agreement.