



Since its beginning in 1999, the Coleman County Foundation has awarded more than \$1.2 million to charitable, community organizations to enhance the quality of life in Coleman County.

The Friends of the Coleman County Foundation was brought to life in 2005 by a group of local leaders who envisioned changing the climate of philanthropy in Coleman County involving “friends” or volunteers to review applications and make awards to benefit Coleman County.

Over the last 15 years, Friends of Coleman County Foundation has awarded more than \$348,000 back into the community.

Each year organizations have two opportunities to apply for grants from the Foundation.

PARTNERING OPPORTUNITIES

Nonprofit organizations are encouraged to apply who serve Coleman County with a focus on the following interest area(s):

- Arts & Culture
- Community Development
- Education
- Health & Mental Health
- Housing & Shelter
- Human & Social Services
- Youth Development

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Only IRS recognized tax-exempt organizations are eligible to apply for funding. Fiscal agents will be considered, but we encourage you to connect with a grant team member to discuss the arrangement prior to submitting a request. The Foundation will not consider more than one proposal from an organization in the same grant cycle. Organizations may apply in both cycles. Grants will not be awarded for the following:

- Maintenance expenses
- Medical or scholarly research
- Membership fees
- Ticket sales for charitable fundraising events
- Church related activities unless they involve the entire community
- Travel for groups, such as school classes, clubs, or sports teams
- Capital debt reduction
- Deficit budget expenses
- Individuals
- Political projects

GRANT RANGE

Friends of Coleman County Foundation (*spring*) - \$1,000 - \$5,000

Coleman County Foundation (*fall*) - \$1,000 to \$15,000

DEADLINES

Friends of Coleman County Foundation Grant Cycle: March 1, 2023

Coleman County Foundation Grant Cycle: October 1, 2023

HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

ONLINE ACCESS

The Foundation utilizes an online grants management system called Foundant GLM. All requested data must be submitted through this system.

Visit the Coleman County Foundation page at cfabilene.org for resources and a link to the GLM Portal. Look for the Apply Now button under Grant Opportunities to access the portal. You will find links to tutorials on the login page.

EVALUATION

Organizations that have received funding prior to Spring 2023 will be required to complete and submit a Grant Evaluation Form detailing the use of grant funds and the status of the project's outcomes.

Evaluations are due within a year of receiving the grant award or upon the complete expenditure of the funds (whichever comes first). If you have not expended your grant award within a year, please contact the Foundation before submitting a new grant application.

If you are unsure if you have completed this form for a past award, please contact Meagan Harris, Rural Grants Manager, mharris@cfabilene.org.