

Silver in the City's Silver Linings Fund at the Central Indiana Community Foundation 2022 Grant Guidelines

About Silver in the City's Silver Linings Fund Grantmaking

Silver in the City's Silver Linings Fund seeks to invest in grassroots organizations that assist in empowering people affected by systemic racism and in closing the racial equity gap. Eligible organizations serve a population that is a majority Black, Latinx or immigrant in Central Indiana (Marion County and the seven surrounding counties).

Silver in the City's Silver Linings Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation (CICF), shares CICF's mission to mobilize people, ideas and investments to make this a community where all individuals have equitable opportunity to reach their full potential, no matter place, race or identity.

Types and Size of Grant Awards

Silver in the City's Silver Linings Fund accepts applications for operating and program support. As a small business, we are looking for small, grassroots organizations in Central Indiana working to address racial disparities in healthcare, education, housing, food and employment. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

Who We Fund

- 501(c)(3) organizations serving BIPOC communities
- Organizations that have not yet received their 501(c)(3) status may use an approved fiscal agent

What We Fund

While we are open to all requests for funding, we are particularly interested in (in no priority order):

- Accessible healthcare
- Food access and affordability
- Programs and/or resources for minority entrepreneurs and small business owners
- Supporting programs for housing assistance
- Supporting educational programs for children and adults
- Job skills training to assist in connecting minorities to living wage careers

What We Don't Fund

- Organizations or projects that discriminate based upon race, religion, ethnicity, age, gender or sexual orientation
- Grants to individuals
- Political campaigns or activities intended to influence public officials
- Projects aimed at promoting a particular religion
- Construction projects of schools, churches or other religious institutions
- Special events or fundraising activities
- Medical, scientific or academic research

Application Timetable and Submission

- These Guidelines and Application can be found at:
<https://www.silverinthecity.com/service/silverlinings-fund/>
- Applications should be no more than 4 total pages in 12pt font, double-spaced (not including supporting attachments).
- Questions should be addressed to Kristin Kohn at silverlinings@silverinthecity.com
- Email the application and any supporting attachments with subject "Silver Linings Grant Application" to silverlinings@silverinthecity.com. Please email the application as a separate file.
- Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Please only apply once per year.
- Applications received by 11:59 p.m. on May 31st will be determined no later than June 30th, with funds released in mid-July.
- Applicants received by 11:50pm on October 31st will be determined no later than November 30th, with funds released in mid-December.
- Any applications received following a cutoff date will be carried over into the next round.

**Silver in the City's Silver Linings Fund
Grant Application**

Please email to silverlinings@silverinthecity.com

Limit application to 4 pages

Organizational Information

Organization Name:

Contact Name, Title, Email, Phone:

Fiscal Agent Name and Contact Information (if applicable):

Vision and/or Mission of Organization:

Funding Request

Organization annual budget:

Total project/program cost:

Amount requested:

Describe how the funds would be used – please be specific (e.g., staff, rent, utilities, supplies, transportation, etc.).

Equity

Does your organization have a commitment to advancing equity (e.g., racial, economic, cultural sensitivity, etc.)? If yes, please explain. If no, please explain.

Is your client population reflective of the geographical area you serve? If yes, how? If no, please explain, including any plans to address this.

Are your board and staff reflective of the geographical area and clients you serve? If yes, how? If no, please explain, including any plans to address this.

What role do people of color play in development and/or review of your services?

Services to People of Color

Describe your target population served. If available, please include the number of unduplicated people of color to be served this year.

Describe the services for which you are seeking funding. Please include how services will be delivered (e.g., in-person, virtually).

How will you know your services worked? What are your anticipated measurable outcomes?

How do you reach your target population to engage with your programming/services? What are your plans, if any, to expand your reach?