



## 2019 Alaska International Understanding Grant Guidelines

The Alaska Community Foundation (ACF) is currently accepting applications for the 2019 Alaska International Understanding Endowment grant opportunity.

**Application Deadline: 5:00 PM Thursday October 17, 2019**

**Request Amount: Between \$5,000 and \$15,000**

**Amount Available For Grantmaking: \$150,000**

**Online Application Instructions Available [Here](#)**

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This grant program is made possible through the Irma Scavenius Memorial Fund for Furthering Understanding Between Alaskans and Those of Other Countries. This endowed fund provides education and research grants to promote understanding between Alaskans and those of other nations.

### KEY CONSIDERATIONS

To be considered for funding, proposals must focus on efforts to **support education, research, and building cultural connections between Alaskans and other nations.**

This grant is designed to support **Program Expansion or Creation.** Grant award will support specific projects or programs that serve the goals of the fund and are linked to an organization's primary service.

Additionally, ACF is highly interested in innovative programs that are responsive to community needs, partnerships, and collaborative efforts. Requests that build alliances and promote international peace and diplomacy will be especially competitive. Lower priority is given to equipment requests and duplication of existing programs.

Grant awards through this program will range from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

### ELIGIBILITY

Eligible applicants include 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organizations in good standing or equivalent organizations (schools, faith-based organizations, local government agencies and programs) whose mission includes education, research, and building cultural connections between Alaskans and other nations.

Organizations must have an active office based in Alaska to receive funding. Preference will be given to organizations that are based in Alaska.



## RESTRICTIONS/LIMITATIONS

The following are not eligible for grant funding:

- Individuals
- For profit organizations or businesses
- 501(c)(4) or (c)(6) organizations
- State or federal government agencies
- Organizations that do not operate or have offices within the state of Alaska

Requests for endowment building, deficit financing, direct fundraising costs, lobbying, electioneering and activities of a political nature will not be considered. Nor will requests for advertisements, sponsorships, special events, or activities that have the potential to support terrorism.

Additionally, the following activities are not eligible for grant funding:

- Activities that improperly discriminate as to race, gender, marital status, sexual preference, age, disability, creed or ethnicity or grants for religious indoctrination or other religious activities

## TIMELINE

Applications are due via our online application system by **5:00 PM Thursday October 17, 2019**

## HOW TO APPLY

- You can access ACF's online grant management system [here](#).
- Please call ACF staff to discuss your request idea before submitting an application
- ACF staff is available to perform a draft review prior to submitting your request. Draft reviews are strongly encouraged.

## MORE QUESTIONS?

Please contact us with any additional questions.

### ACF Contact Information:

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## WHAT TO INCLUDE IN YOUR GRANT NARRATIVE

**Successful narratives will be no longer than 6,000 characters (approximately 2 pages) and will answer the following questions:**

1. In a brief statement, tell us when the agency began and its primary mission and purpose.
2. In a brief paragraph, tell us the purpose of your grant request.
3. Program Creation/ Expansion:
  - a. What program do you want to create or expand?
  - b. Describe the challenge or opportunity for your organization in creating or expanding this program.
  - c. What result will be achieved for both your organization and those you serve as a result of this program?
6. What is the total project cost and how much (full amount, partial funding, etc.) are you asking from ACF?
7. Are there plans for sustaining this project long-term? If applicable, how will the project continue once the grant is complete?
8. Please list additional funding sources, if any, and dollar amount(s) of requests submitted for this project. Please include status of requests (secured, pending, etc.).

### **Additional information requested:**

- Organizational operating budget
- Board information
- Project budget spreadsheet (template included)
- Budget narrative