



## Alaska Kidney Foundation Grant

Applications Accepted: November 1 – December 15, 2023

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### DESCRIPTION

Alaska Kidney Foundation is committed to granting funds to organizations that are addressing the causes and treatments of kidney disease in Alaska, and supporting Alaskan residents with, or at risk of kidney disease. Grants may be awarded to support individuals, and for special projects, programs, or general operating support for established organizations.

This grant is designed to support organizations and projects that further the following goals:

- Alaskans with kidney disease will have emergency relief for basic human needs.
- Alaskans with kidney disease will have timely kidney transplants and donations for all organs will be increased.
- Alaskans at risk of kidney disease will have early screening.
- Alaskans will be educated on the importance of preventing kidney disease.
- Alaskans with kidney disease will be knowledgeable and empowered health care consumers.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Eligible applicants include 501(c)(3) nonprofit or equivalent organizations located in the state of Alaska. Equivalent organizations may include tribal organizations, schools, faith-based organizations, and local government agencies and programs.

### INELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Ineligible applicants include: individuals, for profit, 501(c)(4) or (c)(6) organizations, private foundations, non-Alaska based organizations, and state or federal government agencies.

Ineligible projects include: religious indoctrination or other religious activities; endowment building; deficit financing; fundraising; lobbying; electioneering and activities of political nature; sponsorships for special events; direct fundraising, including hiring a grant writer; reimbursement of pre-award costs; construction; purchase of real property; activities that have the potential to support terrorism; any proposals that discriminate as to race, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, age, disability, creed or ethnicity; and personnel costs.



## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Review the guidelines to ensure that your organization is eligible for funding.
2. Contact the Alaska Community Foundation grant staff (contact information below) if you are unsure if your organization is a fit with the eligibility criteria and is interested in applying. ACF is happy to discuss if your organization is a likely candidate for funding.
3. Log in to your account in ACF's online grant management account at <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=alaska>. If you are new to ACF's grant management system, you will need to create a new profile before applying.
4. Applicants will be asked to provide:
  - a. Organizational background (Mission Statement, services provided, geographical area served, brief history)
  - b. Organizational budget
  - c. Requested amount
  - d. Description of need as specifically related to the proposed project/program
  - e. Project Budget and project narrative
5. Applications can be saved in process and returned to for completion. Once an application is submitted, it cannot be modified by the applicant.
6. Grants will be reviewed soon after submission and award announcements should be expected by January 2024. Applications are due: Friday, December 15th by 5:00 PM (AKST)

## ACF CONTACT INFORMATION

Please contact the Program & Grants team at [grants@alaskacf.org](mailto:grants@alaskacf.org) or 907-334-6700

## ABOUT THE ALASKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Alaska Community Foundation is a nonprofit, public foundation with a mission of inspiring the spirit of giving and connecting people, organizations, and causes to strengthen Alaska's communities now and forever. To learn more please visit our website: [alaskacf.org](http://alaskacf.org).



## ABOUT THE ALASKA KIDNEY FOUNDATION

### Mission Statement

The mission of the Alaska Kidney Foundation is to wisely use its resources to help Alaskans with or at risk of kidney disease.

### Core Values

- Respect
- Compassion
- Responsiveness
- Accountability

The Alaska Kidney Foundation does not discriminate in its grantmaking on any basis including race, gender, religion, ethnicity, creed, marital status, sexual orientation, age, disability.

### History

Alaska Kidney Foundation (AKF) began in 1973 operating the first dialysis centers in Anchorage and Fairbanks. In 1999 both dialysis centers were sold to Renal Care Group and proceeds were used to establish the AKF as a charitable philanthropic grantmaking organization. Foundation leadership included nine Board of Directors and medical advisers. In 2019, the AKF established a fund at the Alaska Community Foundation, and disbanded the Alaska Kidney Foundation, converting the Board of Directors into Fund Advisors.

### Kidney Disease in Alaska

Kidney disease impacts millions of people worldwide. In the United States one in 10 adults, more than 20 million, have some form of chronic kidney disease. In Alaska there are over 500 people on dialysis and that number is steadily increasing. Diabetes is the leading primary diagnosis for end-stage renal disease. The American Diabetes Association reports that 68,500 Alaskans are affected by diabetes.

According to the United Network for Organ Sharing, there are hundreds of Alaskans waiting for a transplant. According to the Northwest Renal Network, “Alaska is 2000 miles from the lower 48 states, upon which it depends for a number of specialized healthcare services including renal transplantation. Travel between the more widely dispersed communities is by air or sea”. Due in part to the many remote areas of the State, Alaskans with chronic kidney disease, especially those new to dialysis, and those waiting for a transplant, maybe at a significantly higher risk for financial hardship.