



Alabama Power  
Foundation

**2018 Grant Information**  
**Foundation Grants**

## Grant Details

We strive to make our grant process easy. Read on to learn more about the process and requirements for submitting a grant request.

Below is a list of general questions to help you determine if your organization is a candidate for an Alabama Power Foundation grant.

- Does the project address a need in at least one of the following areas: education, community life, health and human services, arts and culture or the environment?
- Could the project lead to permanent, enduring improvements in a community or the state?
- Will a diverse group collaborate on the project to achieve common goals?
- Can the program or idea be duplicated in other communities?
- Does the submitting organization clearly demonstrate sound fiscal management and accountability?
- Could the organization attract multiple sources of support for the project?
- Does the project address underserved segments of the population, such as racial or ethnic minorities, the impoverished and underprivileged or communities with fewer opportunities?

## Restrictions and Limitations

Unfortunately, we are unable to support every organization and program. The Foundation will not support the following:

- Groups acting on behalf of individuals
- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, disability or gender
- Churches or other religious organizations, except when they are conducting secular programs that will have broad public impact
- Projects that affect communities outside of Alabama Power's service territory
- Fraternal, athletic and veterans programs, except in cases where the programs will have a broad public benefit or help disadvantaged individuals
- Organizations already receiving multi-year support from the Foundation. Such organizations are required to wait at least one year after the current funding ends.
- Primary and secondary private schools
- Political organizations, parties or causes.

## How to Apply

If your organization qualifies and fits within our philanthropic goals and objectives, we encourage you to apply for an Alabama Power Foundation grant.

All Alabama Power Foundation grant applications are received online. To be directed and guided through the online application process, please click the red button below that reads: **APPLY FOR A FOUNDATION GRANT.**

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***\*Please note that all communication must be addressed to the Alabama Power Foundation, as it is a separate entity from Alabama Power Company.***

If you are in need of additional assistance, please contact the Charitable Giving office at 205-257-2508.

## **What to Include**

As you move through the application process, you will be asked for specific information about your organization, along with various files to attach. We recommend you draft this information prior to beginning the online process, as there is not a feature to save your progress.

### **Required information:**

- Organization name and address
- Name, email address and telephone number for the primary contact person
- EIN/Tax ID number
- A brief summary of the history, mission and staff size of the organization
- A complete list of the organization's board of directors and/or trustees
- A one-paragraph summary of the specific project or program impacted by the grant
- A list of other contributors to the project or program, along with dollar amounts (if applicable)
- On the last page of the application, you will be asked to attach specific files.

### **Required Attachments:**

- Actual grant request with a cover letter outlining goals, objectives and specific needs addressed if you were to receive the grant. Include an implementation plan and timeline with an outline for any activities planned in the near future and achievements thus far.
- Project budget with an evaluation plan with specific criteria for judging the effectiveness
- A copy of the program's most recent audited financial statement or three (3) consecutive years of the Form 990
- A copy of the program's current operating budget
- A copy of the program's Section 501(c)(3) IRS determination letter.

Note: Attachments can be in a number of different file formats. MSWord (.doc, .docx), MSEXcel (.xls, .xlsx), and Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) are the preferred formats for attachments.

## **When to Apply**

Grants are reviewed quarterly. Please note that, regardless of the amount requested, there is only one deadline per quarter. Those deadlines and meeting dates are listed below.

### **Quarterly Application Deadlines:**

- First quarter application deadline: Feb. 9, 2018 – 5:00 PM CST
- Second quarter application deadline: Apr. 13, 2018 – 5:00 PM CST
- Third quarter application deadline: July 27, 2018 – 5:00 PM CST
- Fourth quarter application deadline: Oct. 19, 2018 – 5:00 PM CST

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Meeting Schedule for \$50,000 or more:

- First quarter: March 19, 2018
- Second quarter: June 18, 2018
- Third quarter: Sept. 17, 2018
- Fourth quarter: Dec. 13, 2018

Meeting Schedule for \$49,999 or less:

- First quarter: March 5, 2018
- Second quarter: June 11, 2018
- Third quarter: Sept. 10, 2018
- Fourth quarter: Dec. 3, 2018

\*All meeting dates are subject to change.

If you have not heard from us within 10 weeks of when we acknowledged receipt of your grant request, please contact the Charitable Giving office at 205-257-2508.

You will be notified within 7-14 business days of a meeting about the status of your grant request.

**Please contact the Charitable Giving office at 205-257-2508 with questions or for more information.**