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We'll get started soon!



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2026 Community Impact Grants Program

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Our Mission

As the leading statewide LGBTQ+ community foundation, Texas Pride Community Foundation leverages a robust network of donors and organizations to inspire giving in support of dynamic and diverse LGBTQ+ communities.



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Our Vision

Secure equitable opportunities to thrive, for all LGBTQ+ people throughout Texas, for generations to come.

Texas Pride boldly supports transformational change and racial equity in Texas.



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Since November 2017 Texas Pride has granted over \$2.5 million to 130+ Texas organizations!

- Community Impact Grant
- QTCF Rapid Response
- Texas Health Impact Cohort



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Overview

Texas Pride Community Foundation is proud to launch the 2026 Community Impact Grant cycle, designed to support LGBTQ+ organizations and initiatives across Texas that are advancing equity, wellness, and opportunity for our communities.

Through this cycle, Texas Pride will award **micro-grants ranging from \$3,000 to \$10,000** to eligible organizations. These grants are **unrestricted general operating funds**, intended to strengthen organizational capacity, sustainability, and community impact.



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Funding Priorities

Texas Pride Community Foundation is committed to investing in organizations that center and uplift LGBTQ+ communities across Texas, with particular emphasis on:

- Transgender and gender expansive communities
- Black, Latinx, and other communities of color
- Rural and geographically underrepresented communities
- Individuals impacted by HIV
- LGBTQ+ youth and elders
- Organizations addressing mental health, housing insecurity, and access to care



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Funding Priorities

We strongly prioritize organizations that are:

- **Serving under-resourced and underserved communities**
- **Led by or deeply accountable to the communities they serve**
- **Operating with annual budgets under \$1 million**



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Focus Communities & Populations

- **Underserved Geographies**

Rural | Border | Towns & Small Cities | Urban Segments

- **People of Transgender Experience**

- **People of Color**

- **Seniors, Youth, People with Disabilities**

- **Displaced Peoples**

Immigrants | Homeless Youth | Refugees | Incarcerated



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Grant Details

Award Amount: \$3,000 – \$10,000

Grant Type: Unrestricted, General Operating Support

Grant Period: January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2027



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What Does Texas Pride Fund?

Our grantmaking to non-profit organizations and organizations with fiscal sponsorship is intentionally broad for initiatives providing direct support to LGBTQ+ persons and communities in Texas.

The 2026 Texas Pride Community Impact Grant Program awards funds for general operating support; applications are not required to identify projects or submit project plans.

\$215,000

Up to \$10,000 per organization



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What Does Texas Pride Fund?

Funds may be used for (but are not limited to):

- Staff salaries and stipends
- Program operations
- Organizational infrastructure
- Rent, utilities, and administrative costs
- Capacity-building efforts



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What Texas Pride DOES NOT Fund?

- Applications from individuals.
- National organizations or their local affiliates, except for programs developed at the local level to meet local needs in Texas.*
- Initiatives outside the State of Texas.
- Endowment funds.
- Annual campaigns, capital campaigns, donor recognition events, event sponsorships.
- Applications from government agencies.

* Example of eligible orgs: PFLAG



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What Texas Pride DOES NOT Fund?

- Organizations that do not support transformational change and inclusivity of all LGBTQ+ individuals as well as racial equity in Texas.
- More than one application per organization per year.**
- Academic research.
- Organizations that do not have a 501(c)3 designation or do not have a Fiscal Sponsor.

** Organizations fiscally sponsoring another org are eligible to submit more than one application.



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Eligibility Criteria

Organizations must meet the following requirements:

- Be a **nonprofit organization, fiscally sponsored project, or community-based group** serving LGBTQ+ people in Texas
- Demonstrate alignment with Texas Pride's mission and funding priorities
- Have a clear track record or plan for community impact
- Operate within the state of Texas

Note: Organizations without 501(c)(3) status are eligible if applying with a fiscal sponsor.



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Application Process

Applications will be submitted through [Texas Pride's online grant portal](https://texaspridecf.org/2026-community-impact-grant-cycle/).*

Required Components:

- Organizational overview and mission
- Description of programs/services and communities served
- Statement of need and impact
- Explanation of how funds will be used
- Organizational budget (most recent fiscal year)
- Contact information and leadership details



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*<https://texaspridecf.org/2026-community-impact-grant-cycle/>

Review Process

Applications will be reviewed by a diverse committee of community members and stakeholders using the following criteria:

- Alignment with Texas Pride funding priorities
- Depth of impact within LGBTQ+ communities
- Commitment to equity and inclusion
- Organizational need and sustainability
- Leadership representation and community accountability



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Review Process

Preference will be given to:

- Smaller, grassroots organizations
- Organizations led by individuals from the communities served
- Groups operating in regions with limited LGBTQ+ resources



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Reporting Requirements

Grantees will be required to submit:

- A brief mid-year update
- A final report highlighting outcomes, challenges, and impact

Texas Pride aims to keep reporting requirements **streamlined and accessible**, particularly for smaller organizations.



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Equitable & Inclusive

Texas Pride Community Foundation is committed to the full inclusion of all qualified organizations. As part of this commitment, Texas Pride will ensure that people with disabilities, people experiencing technology gaps, and people needing to submit an application in a language other than English are provided reasonable accommodation.

If reasonable accommodation is needed to participate in the grant application process please contact Robert Salcido, Chief Community Impact Officer, at roberts@texaspridecf.org before continuing.



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Important Dates

**Application Opens:
Monday June 1, 2026, 8am CT**

**Application Deadline:
Saturday August 1, 11:59 PM C**

**Community Grants Announced:
December 2026**



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Closing

At Texas Pride Community Foundation, we believe that transformative change is driven by those closest to the challenges and the solutions. This funding opportunity is an investment in the resilience, leadership, and vision of LGBTQ+ communities across Texas.

We encourage organizations of all sizes especially those often overlooked by traditional funding to apply.

Together, we build a stronger, more equitable Texas.



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