



Application for Benco Family Foundation Grant

The Benco Family Foundation is dedicated to improving the dental health and quality of life in our local communities and around the world.

*All grants must be mission appropriate.

The Benco Family Foundation supports organizations and projects that exhibit:

Leadership: Visionary and talented non-profit leaders and other professionals who are succeeding in meeting the needs of their communities.

Effectiveness: Well-managed and sustainable organizations that demonstrate impact and become anchors of their communities over time.

Long-Term Impact: Organizations and strategies that achieve lasting improvements in the lives of people in our communities, and the social and economic systems that support them.

What do I need to do for grants?

Less than \$2,000	Letter of Inquiry
\$2,000-\$4,999	Letter of Inquiry + Grant Eligibility Questions 1 & 2
\$5,000 +	Letter of Inquiry and Grant Eligibility Questions

Letter of Inquiry

1. Brief description of your organization
2. Description of the issue or need
3. Brief outline of the program or project activities and specific goals
4. Indication of who would be responsible for managing the project, including potential collaborators
5. Estimate of project cost and the amount you intend to request.
6. Proposal summary (2 page limit)
7. Organization tax id number



When will my organization/group get a response?

- The Benco Family Foundation will email to confirm receipt of request.
- For grants less than \$5,000, the Benco Family Foundation will contact you, following committee review, within two to four weeks.
- For grants of \$5,000+, the Benco Family Foundation Board will review Letters of Inquiry and Eligibility Questions and make annual grant decisions in September. Grants will be awarded in the 4th Quarter. Application materials are due by August 1.

Grant Eligibility Questions:

1. Briefly describe your organization's history and current stage of development, explaining why you believe now is the right time for a grant from the Benco Family Foundation.
2. What do you hope to achieve with a grant from the Benco Family Foundation?
3. What is the legacy you want to leave for the long-term future of your organization, and by when do you intend to fulfill on it? (monetary and non-monetary goals.)
4. For each of the past three years, how much money did your organization raise in gifts from individual donors? From Foundations/Corporations?
5. Please indicate which of the following methods you're currently using to raise money from individuals, and the amount raise in the most recent completed fiscal year:
 - Mailings or letter campaigns
 - Annual gala or special events
 - Sponsors volunteer activities (walk, run, bike, etc.)
 - Hosted dinners, breakfast, etc..
 - Planned giving
 - Other
6. What obstacles or concerns does your organization have about fulfilling your goals over the next five years? What, if anything will get in the way?
7. What is your current operating budget? Income sources? Expenses?
8. List of current board members.

Grantees receiving money over a period of time, i.e. \$25,000 over five years, must complete an annual interim report by September 1 indicating the goals and objectives achieved as well as any delays or changes in plans.



Submit Benco Family Foundation Application to:

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