

THE JOHN AND MARY ALFORD FOUNDATION

Grant Procedures and Guidelines

The mission of The John and Mary Alford Foundation is to carry on the charitable and philanthropic giving activities of John and Mary Alford, with an emphasis on improving and enhancing the quality of life primarily in the Licking County Community through the support of educational, social, religious, and cultural programs.

The foundation was created and founded in 1996 by Ronald B. Alford and Barbara Alford Cantlin, the children of the late John and Mary Alford. During their lifetimes, the Alfords were dedicated and committed to making Newark and the Licking County Community a better place to live. The Foundation was established with the express desire that their commitment to this community could be carried on for generations to come. Generally, funding of organizations outside of Licking County will not be considered unless the Alfords had histories of meeting the needs of those organizations. In all cases, grant applications should have relevance to the citizens of Licking County.

The John and Mary Alford Foundation is a nonprofit corporation and was formed as a supporting organization connected with The Licking County Foundation. The Foundation makes grants and gifts only to charitable organizations qualified under Section 501c(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Foundation is particularly interested in funding projects that positively effect a broad segment of the community, with emphasis on the following:

- oCapital projects with broad-based community support
- oSeed money for innovative programs that demonstrate new approaches and techniques for solving important community needs and/or problems
- oOrganizations that had historically received the volunteer services and financial support of John and Mary Alford
- oProjects that encourage matching gifts from individuals, other organizations, or governmental agencies, as well as those seeking last dollar monies

The Foundation does not usually make grants:

- oTo annual appeals or membership drives
- oTo support operating expenses of established programs and organizations**
- oTo reduce budget deficits or debt retirement
- oTo individuals

The John and Mary Alford Foundation Trustees meet on a quarterly basis to make decisions on those proposals that have been submitted complete and with the required supporting documentation on or before February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. Every effort will be made to respond to applications received prior to each of these quarterly deadline dates within a month's time.

Should you have additional questions or need additional information regarding the John and Mary Alford Foundation, please contact the foundation administrator;

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Applicants should be aware that the Foundation always requests, and may require, a report or evaluation at the completion of the program or project being funded.

"Anything we have is only loaned. You sure can't take it with you. I've had a lot of opportunities for a country banker. If the community has been good to you, you owe it to the community to give it back." John W. Alford

Taken from an interview with ***The Newark Advocate*** in March of 1995