

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:

- Capital projects with broad-based community support
- Seed money for innovative programs that demonstrate new approaches and techniques for solving important community needs and/or problems
- Organizations that had historically received the volunteer services and financial support of John and Mary Alford
- Projects 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:

- To annual appeals or membership drives
- To support operating expenses of established programs and organizations
- To reduce budget deficits or debt retirement
- To 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 **January 25, April 25, July 25, and October 25**. Every effort will be made to respond within a month's time to applications received on or before each of these quarterly deadline dates.

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