

2011 Call for Proposals—Annual Grantmaking Program

Brief Proposal Deadline

June 30, 2010



Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Local Funding Partnerships

Purpose

The *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Local Funding Partnerships* (LFP) program forges relationships between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and local grantmakers to fund promising, original projects that can significantly improve the health of vulnerable people in their communities.

Eligibility Criteria

- Projects must be new, innovative, collaborative and community-based. Significant program expansions—into new regions or to new populations—may also be considered. Please note that these funds may not be used to maintain existing projects.
- Projects must be nominated by a local grantmaker committed to participating as one of the funding partners.
- Local funding partners must be willing to work with grantees to obtain sufficient dollar-for-dollar matching funds throughout the grant period. These funders may include independent and private foundations, family and community foundations, and corporate and other philanthropies.
- Matching funds must represent new funding specifically designated to support the proposed project. In-kind services may not be used to match Foundation funds for the LFP Annual Grantmaking program.

Selection Criteria

Please see the full call for proposals brochure and the program's Web site (noted below) for complete Selection Criteria.

Total Awards

- Up to \$5 million is available for the 2011 grant cycle.
- Up to 12 matching grants of between \$200,000 to \$500,000 each will be awarded.

Use of Grant Funds

Grant funds may be used for project staff salaries, consultant fees, data collection and analysis, meetings, supplies, project-related travel, and other direct project expenses, including a limited amount of equipment deemed essential to the project.

In keeping with RWJF policy, grant funds may not be used to subsidize individuals for the costs of their health care; to pay for medication, eyeglasses or personal care items; to support clinical trials of unapproved drugs or devices; to construct or renovate facilities or for lobbying.

Grant funds may not be used as a substitute for current operating funds or salaries supporting similar activities. Research studies will not be funded through this program.

Once a project is selected, RWJF grant funds are disbursed in increments over the three- or four-year period of the grant; the total is not delivered in one sum. Funded grantees will submit a budget for each year of the grant that shows how much of their RWJF award they plan to spend that year. RWJF requires written confirmation that the local funding partners have authorized sufficient dollars to match RWJF payments for that year.

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Key Dates and Deadlines

- **May 13 and May 18, 2010**
Optional conference calls for interested applicants. Details will be posted at www.localfundingpartnerships.org under How to Apply: Annual Program.
- **June 30, 2010 (3 p.m. ET)**
Deadline for receipt of Stage 1 brief proposals.
- **September 15, 2010**
Applicants notified if invited to submit a full proposal.
- **November 10, 2010**
Deadline for receipt of Stage 2 full proposals.
- **January 27, 2011**
Applicants notified if they will receive a site visit.
- **March–April 2011**
Site visits to select applicants.
- **July 1, 2011**
Start of grants.

Inquiries

For information on the program, eligibility criteria and the application process please contact the national program office:

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We encourage all applicants to read the complete details about the program found in the full call for proposals brochure at www.rwjf.org/cfp/lfp.

For information about funding opportunities from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation visit www.rwjf.org/grants.

Sign up to receive Funding Alerts on upcoming calls for proposals at www.rwjf.org/services.



How to Apply

There are two stages in the proposal process: submission of a Stage 1 brief proposal and, if invited, submission of a Stage 2 full proposal. All proposals must be submitted online at the program Web site. Complete details on the proposal process and program information are available on the program's Web site.

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