

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What will the Camden City Community Grant Program fund?

This program will fund Community Building Activities which promote the health and welfare of the community in the City of Camden, New Jersey. Proposals must focus on one of the following: physical improvements and housing, economic development, community support, environmental improvements, leadership development and training for community members, coalition building, community health improvement advocacy or workforce development.

### Who is eligible to submit an application?

To be eligible to apply, you must be a Camden City based, non-profit community organization with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. If you are a Camden City based, non-profit community organization **without** 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status, you must apply with a Fiscal Sponsor that is a Camden City based non-profit community organization with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. Eligible organizations must be in operation for a minimum of 12 months as a non-profit and must be able to provide all necessary documentation.

### What organizations are not eligible for funding?

- Youth sports organizations
- Government agencies
- Individuals or for-profit businesses
- Schools (public, private, renaissance, charter, religious)
- Universities/Colleges/Medical and Graduate Schools/Academic Institutions
- Hospitals
- Political and lobbying organizations or committees

### What activities are not eligible for funding?

- Fundraising appeals or capital campaigns
- Scholarship programs
- Religious activities
- Sponsorships for events/tickets/ad books
- Food for applicant or fiscal sponsor staff
- Capital construction
- Political and lobbying activities
- Projects providing a benefit (financial or other) to a director, officer, senior staff of, or substantial contributor to, an applicant or to a for-profit entity
- Direct operating support of the applicant organization or fiscal sponsor
- Sports programs or programs/projects/services that use sports activities as its focus.

### When is the application deadline?

Monday, June 1, 2020 at 3 p.m.

- Mail/overnight deliveries are required to be **postmarked** no later than **June 1, 2020** to be accepted.
- Emailed submissions are required to be submitted to The Cooper Foundation no later than **3 p.m. on June 1, 2020** to be accepted.

### **Can my organization submit a request for both a Program/Project/Service grant and a Capacity Building grant?**

No. You must choose whether your proposal supports a program/project/service or capacity building activity. Each organization may only submit one application.

### **How much funding should my organization ask for?**

It is up to the organization to determine its proposal budget. The Camden City Community Grant Program will award grants from \$500 up to \$5,000.

### **Do you fund requests from individuals?**

No.

### **If my organization is a start-up, can I apply for a grant?**

To be eligible, organizations must be in operation for at least 12 months.

### **How should proposals be submitted?**

- **Mail/Overnight Delivery** – required to be **postmarked** no later than **June 1, 2020** to be accepted. Please submit your application proposal and required documents by mail to:

Camden City Community Grants  
c/o The Cooper Foundation  
3 Cooper Plaza, Ste. 500  
Camden, NJ 08103

- **Email** – required to be scanned and emailed to The Cooper Foundation no later than **3 p.m. on June 1, 2020**. Please submit your application proposal and required documents by email to: [communitygrants@cooperhealth.edu](mailto:communitygrants@cooperhealth.edu)

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, hand-delivered applications will **not** be accepted at this time.*

### **What if I have questions about the grant application?**

All questions **must** be submitted in writing to [communitygrants@cooperhealth.edu](mailto:communitygrants@cooperhealth.edu). Responses to questions will be posted on The Cooper Foundation website at <https://foundation.cooperhealth.org/camden-community-grant> for all applicants to review.