

2024-25 YVCF Impact Grant Guidelines

Organizations working collaboratively to make a regional difference in the Yampa Valley may be invited to apply for a YVCF Impact Grant up to \$30,000.

General Information

All grant requests should make a positive impact and be transformative for our community and/or the organization.

- *Impact:* We're seeking grants that effect positive change or transformation within our Valley: building new capability, addressing unmet needs, significantly expanding access to existing resources, and the like.
- *Transformative:* We recognize that valuable transformation can happen within and/or outside an organization. We're seeking progress that exceeds the scope of standard operations. Applicants should make a case for how their program is an exceptional one-time boost in capacity and/or reach.

If you have an idea for a worthy Impact Grant, please contact program officer Greg Hamilton to discuss: greg@yvcf.org.

Eligibility

- Grant requests must be limited to \$30,000 or less.
- IRS status: applicant must be 501(c)(3) organization.
- Geography: Funds must serve Routt and/or Moffat County. Organizations operating beyond these two counties must explain how the funds granted by YVCF would be used only within Routt and/or Moffat County.
- Grant funds may NOT be used for:
 - Debt reimbursement, retroactive grants, or projects already completed.
 - Purposes that do not meet [YVCF's non-discrimination policy](#).
 - Religious activities, including, but not limited to: religious services, promotion of religious beliefs, or activities that are restricted to church or religious group membership.
 - Political activities, including any amount of [campaigning](#), as defined by the IRS; nonpartisan voter education is not considered a political activity.

Important Dates

- **Mon, May 6, 2024** Application will open ([here](#))
- **Tue, May 7** (10:00-11:30am) – YVCF Grant Application Training (**STEAMBOAT**) in-person at YVCF, Steamboat Springs (virtual/online access available and session will be recorded).
 - 11:00-11:30am: financials training for grant applicants (in-person +virtual/online/recorded).
- **Wed, May 8** (10:00-11:00am) – YVCF Grant Application Training (**CRAIG**) – in-person at Craig Chamber (virtual/online access available and session will be recorded).
- **Wed, May 29** – Deadline to contact YVCF to discuss your organization or program (technical assistance only with the application after this date)
- **Sun, June 9** (11:30pm Mountain) – Grant applications due
- **Mon, September 16** – Organizations notified of grant award

If you have any questions, please contact Greg Hamilton at greg@yvcf.org or 970-879-8632

APPLICATION OPENS MAY 6, 2024

[click to access your past applications](#)

Training, Technical Assistance, & Resources

Please note all prospective applicants must connect with YVCF's program officer to discuss your idea (contact info above). There is a deadline to reach out for technical assistance— see timeline on this page.

- **IMPACT Scoring Rubric:** review detailed criteria by which your application will be evaluated.
- **Application questions:** view the application questions (for reference only; does not include tips and links to resources available through the online application).
- **Watch our 2023 Training video for grant applicants** (full training = 75 min.; **Impact Grants are discussed starting at 1:04:37**)