

Consultant Support Program

From time to time, a nonprofit Executive Director, senior staff member or Board member needs a thought partner or coach to work through a challenge or explore an opportunity. The Consultant Support Program can provide funding for a consultant to work a limited number of hours plus ancillary expenses (not to exceed \$2,000 total).



Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging

The Consultant Support Program can be used to engage a consultant to work with your staff, board and/or volunteers around creating equity within your organization. For example, you can use the support to have a series of meetings or workshops; explore internal and external hiring and personnel policies and processes; or to attend trainings as a team. For DE&I work, the funded project may be part of a larger project with a total budget which may exceed \$5,000. Please contact us to talk about ways the Foundations can help your organization on its DE&I journey.

Eligibility Criteria

- Nonprofit organizations serving The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven's twenty-town service area, including the five towns served by the Valley Community Foundation.
- Can be a fully-funded project (up to \$2,000) or used to supplement other funds as part of a larger project with a total budget not to exceed \$5,000.

Other Considerations

- Applicants may choose from a vetted list of consultants or engage their own consultant.
- Organizations may receive funding from this program one time in 12 months.
- Award will not impact eligibility for any other grant process offered by either Foundation.
- Staff time (hourly or salaried) and administrative expenses associated with the project cannot be included in the budget.

Acceptable Expenses

- assessment tools
- coaching
- consultant time/travel/materials
- data management
- development strategies
- financial management
- participant hospitality/meeting facilitation and expenses
- printing and handout materials
- retreat or convening expenses
- strategic alliance conversations
- other short-term projects by request

To inquire about this program, please contact a staff member below. You will be asked to complete a short application and budget form if your proposal is suitable for this program.