

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 (not to exceed \$2,000 total).



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.

Eligible Projects

The Consultant Support Program can be used to engage a consultant to work with your staff, board and/or volunteers in the following areas:

- **Governance** (e.g. Board structure, Board training, Board/Staff relations)
- **Fund Development** (e.g. creating a fund development plan, case statements and collateral materials for fundraising; major gift and/or planned giving strategy)
- **Human Resources** (e.g. salary comparisons, personnel manual, other policies)
- **Planning** (e.g. strategic alliances (these projects may be eligible for up to \$5,000), strategic direction, revisiting mission)

Acceptable Expenses

- assessment tools
- consultant time/travel/materials
- data management
- development strategies
- fundraising training
- strategic alliance conversations; discovery

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.