







FUNDING & SUBMISSION GUIDELINES FOR SUMMIT COUNTY COMMON GRANT APPLICATION FOR 2025

DEADLINES: Towns Application Deadline Wednesday, August 14th, 2024 at 12:00 Noon

<u>NOTE:</u> The Summit Foundation Grants Program – 970-453-5970 – has a deadline of October and is <u>separate</u> from this process. Detail can be found at <u>https://www.summitfoundation.org</u>

CONTINUING IN 2025: We will continue the application process for both Cash and In-Kind on the on-line grant application at <u>Summit Grants</u>, one that will be very familiar to organizations who submitted past years.

SUBMITTAL: All applications will only be accepted via the on-line grant application at <u>Summit Grants</u>. No applications may be e-mailed or submitted in any other form.

This document outlines the information you will need in order to apply for grant funding or in-kind services from the following entities: Town of Breckenridge; Town of Dillon; Town of Frisco; and Town of Silverthorne.

Questions: If you have questions or concerns on this new process or questions in general, please contact one of the following:

Town of Breckenridge – Peyton Rogers: 970-547-3166; peytonr@townofbreckenridge.com

Town of Dillon – Adrienne Stuckey: 970-262-3407; astuckey@townofdillon.com

Town of Frisco – Anna Jones: 970-668-9126; annaj@townoffrisco.com

Town of Silverthorne – Kim Jardim: 970-262-7305; kjardim@silverthorne.org

Thank you for all the important work you do in our community – we look forward to reviewing your application.

Town of Breckenridge

Overview:

The Town of Breckenridge has multiple partners including citizens, taxpayers, businesses, guests, employees and other governmental agencies. It is important that the Town strengthen relationships with our partners by adopting clear and comprehensive policies. The Town's grant process was created as a means to fairly, equitably and consistently provide funding and in-kind services to the community.

We support charitable organizations that enhance and serve the Breckenridge/Upper Blue area through a Grant Application Program. Grants are awarded once a year to agencies providing programs, services and/or events in the areas of health and human service, art and culture, education, environment, and sports.

The Town announces its grant process in mid to late June through the Summit Daily News and via electronic media, including our website, www.townofbreckenridge.com/Grants2025. The guidelines and grant applications are generally available at least eight weeks prior to the grant deadline and can be located on the Town's website under "I Want To Apply". Notices are not past funding recipients; it is the responsibility of the organization to monitor when the guidelines and applications are available.

Types of Grants:

- 1. Cash
- 2. In-Kind

Priority Investments:

Support is available to charitable organizations that enhance and serve the Breckenridge / Upper Blue area. The Town invests in local non-profits with programs, initiatives and events that are aligned with our strategies and demonstrate how they can make an impact for our community.

Strategic Alignment:

Financial and Programmatic Capacity - Successful applicants will show evidence that they are stable, have a solid financial and management team, a strong balance sheet and programming plans that illustrates the grant will be sustained beyond the Town's investment.

Leadership - Successful applicants will have strong leadership that is collaborative and knowledgeable about the community and the field in which they operate.

Measurable Results - We place priority on organizations that are able to clearly articulate organizational goals, present a clear plan for achieving results, and track outcomes and impact on the people served.

Eligibility:

To be eligible for support, organizations must:

- Have a 501(c)(3) public charity status or operate under the fiscal sponsorship of a tax-exempt nonprofit. Individuals will not be considered for funding;
- Serve the people of Breckenridge and/or the Upper Blue River area (from Hoosier Pass to Farmers Korner);
- Be registered as a Colorado nonprofit organization with the Colorado Secretary of State and be organized in the State of Colorado; and
- If organization received past support, whether Cash or In-Kind, a Final Report is required to be submitted as part of the grant application. The report must include:
 - a) statistics on Upper Blue/Breckenridge population served by the organization,
 - b) description of what was accomplished with the grant, how the grant was used, how it was done,
 - c) evidence as to the extent the goal(s) were reached, and
 - d) if anything changed from the original application, specifics on what changed.

Process:

Submit - Cash and/or In-Kind Grant Application(s) will be adhere to the Funding & Submissions Guidelines and will be submitted on-line at <u>Summit Grants</u> by the deadline set annually (typically early August); no applications will be accepted after the deadline. Grants are for the following year; requests for programs/projects already completed will not be considered.

The Town considers grant applications once per year. Requests received outside of the designated time will not be considered. This application will be your sole source for requesting funding from the Town of Breckenridge; presentations will not be part of this process.

Review & Evaluation - Staff will screen applications for completeness. Accepted applications for Cash grants will be forwarded to the Grants/Scholarship Committee (2 Town Council members) for review and recommendation. Accepted applications for In-Kind will be forwarded to affected departments or entity for review and recommendation, and then by Grants/Scholarship Committee.

Criteria - After considering how strongly the application fits the Town Council's strategies and aligns with the Town's core values, requests will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- To what degree does the organization's history and mission, as well as the purpose of the program or event, align with the Town's priority investments and strategies?
- Does the organization demonstrate sound fiscal management practices?
- Does the organization demonstrate impact or past success?
- To what degree does the application benefit our community?
- Does the organization avoid duplicating existing programs or services?
- Does the Board of Directors work to advance the organization's mission through fundraising and other areas? Do board members make a financial contribution?

Decisions - Recommendations from the Grants/Scholarship Committee are submitted to the Breckenridge Town Council for final approval as part of the annual budget process. The Town cannot approve all requests; however, applications that meet the funding guidelines are given consideration. All decisions will be considered final.

Awarding & Notification - All applicants will be notified of funding decisions by early December and awards will be presented at a public Grant Awards Ceremony in January. If the program or event changes significantly from the original application, the Town must be notified. Funding, even if already distributed to the organization, may be re-evaluated at that time.

CASH GRANT PROGRAM:

- 1. Cash funding is available to non-profit organizations that are human services agencies, that present events or arts programming, and/or that benefit the citizens of Breckenridge / Upper Blue Basin.
- 2. Organizations may apply under the following categories:
 - i. Marketing Support applicable if the event/organization attracts visitors to Breckenridge
 - ii. General Operating Support applicable if the organization is a health & human services, education or environment organization
 - iii. Development Funding applicable for either category and is considered a one-time grant for capital improvements or "seed" money for a new project
- 3. Sports non-profits may apply for cash funding to support athletes that have the following criteria:
 - i. Have resided in the Upper Blue for at least a year
 - ii. Have a financial need
 - iii. Are under the age of 18 years old

- 4. The Grants Committee does consider all amounts requested and awarded from other sources. Please be sure to include all when completing the Detailed Sources of Funding.
- CASH APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the application accessible at <u>Summit Grants</u>, and submit on-line.

IN-KIND GRANT PROGRAM:

Continuing from 2024 for 2025!!

- If applying for In-Kind use of Town facilities managed by Breckenridge Creative Arts (BCA), you must apply directly with BreckCreate. Please e-mail Neal Kerr at Neal@breckcreate.org. All BCA managed facilities will be awarded in a separate Grants Program directly with BreckCreate.
- All In-Kind (free or discounted) services and products (Town facility, programs, gift certificates, products and miscellaneous services, etc.) MUST be requested through the on-line Town of Breckenridge In-Kind Grant application found at Summit Grants.
- IN-KIND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: To submit an application for free/in-kind OR discounted use of any Town facility, other in-kind services or products, etc. *even if you are submitting a Cash request* please complete the application at <u>Summit Grants</u> and submit on-line.

Town of Dillon

- 1. The Town of Dillon prefers to receive electronic Non-Profit Grant Applications. Please complete the on-line application, found at Summit Grants and on the home page at 2025 Dillon Grant Application.
- 2. The Dillon Town Council only considers requests for funding from non-profit organizations that can demonstrate a benefit to the residents of the Town of Dillon. The Town Council will use the following criteria in determining funding for 2025:

CRITERIA:

- Is the applicant located in the Town of Dillon?
- Does the applicant's request directly benefit Dillon and its community members?
- Does the applicant's request benefit communities in Summit County?
- Is the applicant's request aligned with Dillon's Vision and one or more of Town Council's Public Policy goals?
 - Community The Town of Dillon values proactive engagement of our residents, businesses, visitors and local/ regional partners to promote a positive sense of community.
 - o Revitalization The Town of Dillon promotes community revitalization and supports sustainable development of a thriving and vital community.
 - o Amenities The Town of Dillon supports cultural, recreational and educational amenities and opportunities that enhance the Town's unique qualities.
 - Stewardship of our Future The Town of Dillon provides conscientious stewardship of Dillon's resources, amenities and environment, now and into our future.
 - o Endorsement -The Town of Dillon values promotion of Dillon as a welcoming and responsive place to live, work and have fun.
- Evaluation of the program
 - o Has this program been successful?
 - What is the level of sustainability for the future?
- 3. Applicants for funding must be tax exempt under the provisions of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 4 Requests of over \$5,000 will not be considered.
- 5. Individuals will not be considered for funding. Grants are only awarded to non-profit organizations.
- 6. The Town of Dillon considers grant applications once per year. Requests received outside of the designated time will <u>not</u> be considered. This application will be your sole source for funding requests from the Town of Dillon. Presentations will not be part of this process.
- 7. If you received funding in 2024, a report of grant monies expended in 2024 must be submitted prior to or with this application.
- 8. Requests for programs/projects already completed will not be considered.
- 9. Grant decisions will be made during the regular November budget approval process. All applicants will be notified of funding decisions in early December; awards are slated for January 2025. Due to potential budget constraints, funding may be limited or unavailable. All funding decisions by the Council will be considered final.

Town of Frisco

The Town of Frisco is proud to offer support to our local non-profits through a yearly grant process. Every year the Town provides an opportunity for non-profits seeking support to apply through a county-wide grant program. The Towns of Breckenridge, Frisco, Silverthorne, and Dillon accept applications for cash and in-kind grants once a year.

How to Apply for a Grant

The 2025 Grant Application Program will open on June 14, 2024 at <u>SummitGrants.com</u>. For this year's grant cycle, all cash and in-kind grant applications will be due at **12:00pm**, **noon on August 14, 2024**. Grant applications must be submitted electronically through the portal. All submissions made after this date cannot be considered. Submissions outside of the SummitGrants.com portal cannot be considered.

Requirements for Grant Awards

A complete application must be submitted at <u>SummitGrants.com</u>, even for organizations requesting only inkind services such as field use or silent auction packages. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Submissions beyond the deadline of August 14, 2024 at noon, or outside of the <u>SummitGrants.com</u> portal will not be considered.

- Requests for cash may not exceed \$5,000
- Description of past grant awards from Frisco, and use of funds and/or services awarded
- Vision, mission, and values alignment with the Town of Frisco's <u>strategic objectives</u> around a thriving economy; quality core services; vibrant culture, arts, and recreational opportunities; and community inclusivity
- Prevalence of programs and projects promoting sustainability
- Examples of significant and positive impacts on the Frisco and Summit County communities
- Demonstration of sound fiscal practices and planning

When will 2025 Grant Announcements be Made?

Grant award announcements will be emailed to successful applicants starting in December 2024, and grant moneys and any in kind awards will be provided to non-profits in January 2025.

Town of Silverthorne

- 1. The Town of Silverthorne receives Non-Profit Grant Applications via Summit Grants. If this process creates a challenge for your organization, please contact Kim Jardim, 970-262-7305 or kjardim@silverthorne.org, to discuss.
- 2. Organizations must be tax exempt under the provisions of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 3. Projects funded must benefit the citizens of the Town of Silverthorne.
- 4. The Town of Silverthorne considers grant applications once per year. Requests received outside of the designated time will not be considered.
- 5. If you received funding in 2024, a report of grant monies expended in 2024, as well as current progress and/or final reports including information on the number of Silverthorne residents who benefited from the funding, must be on file in order to be eligible for funding during this cycle. Please submit with the application at Summit Grants.
- 6. Funding requests of over \$5,000 will not be considered.
- 7. This application will be your sole source for funding requests from the Town of Silverthorne. Presentations will not be part of this process.
- 8. Funding decisions will be made during the regular November budget approval process. All applicants will be notified of funding decisions in December. All funding decisions by the Council will be considered final.
- 9. If you choose to submit an application requesting only in-kind use of Town-owned fields or the Recreation Center, proper Staff approval and direction must be obtained prior to submission by calling Mindy Nicholds, Sports & Athletics Coordinator, at 970-262-7373. If proper Staff approval and direction has not been obtained, Council will not consider the application valid.

To submit an application for free/in-kind use of the Town Pavilion, Town-owned fields, the Recreation Center, the Art Spot or the Performing Arts Center, the following criteria must be submitted in addition to the above guidelines:

- 1. Degree to which the event benefits the Silverthorne community and/or the public in general.
- 2. Non-profit status of the event proponent.
- 3. Established history, mission and purpose of the event proponent.
- 4. Degree to which the purpose of the event is consistent with and/or supportive of the goals and policies of the Town.
- 5. Financial ability of the event proponent to bear the normal charges and fees.
- 6. Degree to which the event is self-supporting through attendance fees or other sources of funding.
- 7. Other factors deemed relevant by Town staff in the circumstances.
- 8. If your non-profit received free or discounted use of the Pavilion in 2024, please submit the following: A written explanation of the event (i.e. lecture, fundraising, community outreach, etc.) and how the granted use benefited your organization at Summit Grants. Submit related financial information including number of tickets sold, ticket price, how many people attended, total net revenues from the event, including alcohol proceeds (if applicable) and any other donations or income.

All In-Kind (Pavilion, Rec Center, Fields, SPAC, Art Spot) applicants must review the In-Kind Guidelines and submit the Organizational Summary along with your application. The guidelines are available at Silverthorne Town Hall or www.silverthorne.org.