

SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

2024 Grants Cycle

OVERVIEW

Austin Community Foundation believes that advancing economic mobility is crucial to closing the opportunity gap in Central Texas. That is why we invest resources through our signature grantmaking programs. For the 2024 grants cycle, the Hispanic Impact Fund and Women's Fund will each award \$500,000 in grants to local organizations through a joint application process.

FUNDING CATEGORIES BY PROGRAM

 **Hispanic Impact Fund**
AUSTIN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- / Early Childhood Education
- / Health & Wellness
- / Job Skills & Entrepreneurship
- / Leadership Development

 **Women's Fund**
AUSTIN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- / Child Care
- / Education
- / Housing
- / Unintended Pregnancy Prevention
- / Women's Health

APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants must be tax-exempt organizations, fiscally sponsored by a tax-exempt organization, or unit of government serving the six-county Central Texas region (Bastrop, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays, Travis or Williamson). Preference will be shown to applicants whose board, staff, and leadership reflect the communities they serve.

Each grants cycle incorporates trust-based philanthropy values, data-driven strategic priorities, and community voice. Applicants will be vetted by donors and a diverse group of community reviewers.

TIMELINE

Application opens:

May 31, 2024

Application Release Webinars:**/ Women's Fund**

Wednesday, June 5, 12-1:00 p.m. CT

/ Hispanic Impact Fund

Thursday, June 6, 12-1:00 p.m. CT

Applications due:

July 31, 2024 at 5 p.m. CT

Semifinalists Learning sessions:

October 15 – November 1, 2024

Award decisions announced:

December 2, 2024

APPLICATION RESOURCES

Before submitting an application, we encourage all organizations to use the following grant application tools to understand the criteria that will be applied to your proposal and to guide you in submitting a successful application.

- / Strategy Statements, Guiding Definitions, Guiding Principles, and Scoring Rubric
- / Application Release Webinar
- / Grant Writing Technical Assistance

These tools, as well as more information about each program and its requirements, can be found at the links below.

Hispanic Impact Fund

austincf.org/hispanic-impact-fund-grantmaking

Women's Fund

austincf.org/womens-fund-grantmaking