

## **FBJSL Event Beneficiary Application Instructions**

To be an eligible candidate for Event Beneficiary funding, organizations must have 501(c)(3) status and must be located in Fort Bend County, or the applicant must serve Fort Bend County residents. All applicants must also meet the criteria set forth below in order to be eligible for grant funding. In addition to submitting your application, our Beneficiary Review Committee will request a meet with qualified candidates to discuss your application in more detail. **Event Beneficiary Applications are due by June 1**st.

Grant requests must align with the League's mission, purpose, goals, and Position Statements. To qualify for a funding request, your organization's mission must fall within one of the following statements:

AGING: The League is committed to supporting and promoting programs and services that benefit the physical, economic, mental, emotional, intellectual and social well-being of senior adults.

ARTS AND CULTURAL ENRICHMENT: The League is committed to the development, support and accessibility of the arts, and encourages the availability of cultural opportunities to all members of the community.

CHILDREN: The League is committed to ensuring that children and their families have access to opportunities and services essential for the child's physical, intellectual, emotional, mental and social growth, and supports such opportunities and services.

DEPENDENT PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: The League is committed to recognizing that dependent persons with physical, mental and emotional disabilities, and their caregivers, face many difficult problems with limited choices. We support the development and funding of quality programs, services and living arrangements for dependent adults and their caregivers. We further support increasing public awareness and volunteerism on these issues.

DIVERSITY: The League is committed to supporting efforts to create a greater appreciation of similarities and understanding the value of differences in all people. The League will support programs and services that reflect awareness of the increasing racial, religious and ethnic diversity of the Fort Bend area.

EDUCATION: The League supports and promotes quality education and is committed to using its resources to positively impact the education of all children and adults. FBJSL, therefore, will support community efforts, legislative initiatives, and judicial action that promote quality education for all members of the community.

ENVIRONMENT: The League is committed to promoting environmental awareness and encouraging responsibility in the attainment of a safer, cleaner and healthier environment in order to protect, enhance and preserve the quality of life today and for future generations.

HEALTH: The League is committed to supporting quality, affordable health and human services and comprehensive health education for every state of life and for all people in the Fort Bend community.

HOMELESSNESS: The League is committed to recognizing the needs of those families and individuals in our community who are considered homeless; those lacking a fixed, regular and recognized residence. We support comprehensive services and efforts to address homelessness. We advocate strategies that include intervention as well as prevention.

HUNGER: The League is committed to recognizing that adequate food is essential to the well-being of all men, women and children. We support comprehensive services and efforts to feed the hungry.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: The League is committed to supporting education, advocacy and action to meet the short-term needs of the economically disadvantaged and to aid in developing long-term solutions.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE: The League is committed to supporting funding and community projects that promote education and intervention to prevent substance abuse by children and adults.

VIOLENCE: The League is committed to the elimination of violence by supporting programs and services designed to understand the problem of violence, to assist, educate and protect victims, and to work effectively with abusers and/or potential abusers.

VOLUNTEERISM: The League is committed to volunteerism and will support efforts to ensure the future of volunteers in the community and the promotion of trained volunteers in direct community service. WOMEN: The League supports and promotes efforts that it deems appropriate to ensure the intellectual, economic, social, mental, physical and emotional well-being of women.

## The following grant requests will not be considered:

- Projects sought by individuals
- Religious teachings or instruction
- Administrative costs or salaries
- Insurance
- Government or political agencies
- Nonprofit groups whose primary purpose is to fund government support entities
- Nonprofit groups who are not providing a direct service (i.e. foundations, exchange clubs, rotary clubs, etc.)

Please consider the above criteria when deciding whether or not to make your submission. Please note, however, that each application is also considered based upon a variety of evolving factors such as the amount of available funds and other applications submitted in any given year. Accordingly, even if you meet the above criteria, your request may be only partially approved or rejected. This is not a reflection of the good work your organization does for our community.

If you would like to apply to be an Event Beneficiary, please download the Event Beneficiary application, complete the information and send your completed application and the required supporting documents via email to <a href="mailto:brccom@fbjsl.com">brccom@fbjsl.com</a>. All organizations must submit their grant applications via email.