

Gulf Power Foundation

The Gulf Power Foundation was incorporated in 1987 and operates as a non-profit corporation under the laws of the state of Florida. The Gulf Power Foundation is committed to enhancing the quality of life in the communities we serve. As a result, grants are available through the Gulf Power Foundation to promote the vitality of Northwest Florida.

Grant requests covering an array of focus areas including, but not limited to, human needs, community vitality, education, poverty and environmental stewardship will be considered by the Foundation Trustees. However, priority will be given to those requests which directly impact poverty and education within our service territory, as these focus areas are the Foundation's primary strategic initiatives.

Eligibility

Organizations desiring to submit grant applications must provide the following required documentation along with the grant request form:

- Tax exempt determination letter from the IRS indicating the organization as a 501(c)3 charitable organization
- Florida Charitable Solicitation license, dated within 1 year
- Description of goals, purpose and objectives of the organization
- Current operating budget, including percentages used for program, administrative, fundraising and general expenses
- Program or project budget for the requested grant, including all sources of financial support
- Audited financial statement from the previous year
- Most recent Form 990
- List of any Gulf Power and/or Southern Company employees currently serving in any roles within the organization

Requesting organizations must:

- Be located within or serve a county within Gulf Power's service territory
- Serve the community without discriminating on the basis of age, race, gender, or religion

The Gulf Power Foundation will not consider grants for individuals, religious institutions, athletic teams or organizations whose primary focus is to support athletic teams, or grants for political campaigns/purposes.

The Gulf Power Foundation reserves the right to request additional information from the requesting organization.

Application Procedure

Grant requests will be reviewed quarterly in accordance with regularly scheduled meetings of the Trustees of the Foundation.

Requests should be submitted by March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15th to be considered for the respective quarterly meetings. Deadline dates are subject to change. Grants are typically awarded within 2-4 weeks following the Foundation Board meetings; however, this timeframe is subject to change. Contact should be made with the Foundation Administrator prior to submitting grant requests to confirm these details.

Important Information

Grants will be awarded based on the merit of the proposal, the availability of funds and current Foundation objectives. The number of requests received often exceeds the amount of available funds. As a result, the Foundation is often incapable of funding even the most worthy of causes. In these instances, an inability to fund is simply the result of limited resources.

Organizations are only eligible to receive one grant every 12 months from the Gulf Power Foundation.

Organizations receiving a grant must provide the Gulf Power Foundation with a letter outlining how funds were spent within 12 months of award or prior to application for additional funding. Failure to submit this documentation may result in ineligibility for future funding.

Grant Application Form

Organization Name: (As displayed on the IRS 501 (c)(3) tax letter)

Tax ID #: _____ Tax Exempt Category: _____

Contact: _____ Title: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ County: _____

Section A: Program/Project

1. How is your program/project designed to enhance the quality of life in Northwest Florida?

2. What are the goals, purpose & objectives of your organization?

3. How does your program/project address one or more of the following areas?

Education: _____

Poverty: _____

Human Needs: _____

Community Vitality: _____

Environment: _____

Military/Veteran Initiatives: _____

4. How does your program/project address an under or unmet need in Northwest Florida?

Section B: Budget

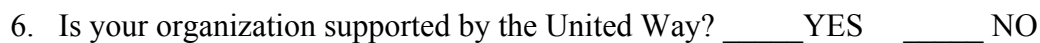
1. What dollar amount are you requesting from the Gulf Power Foundation? \$ _____

2. Please clearly define your project budget and the use of the requested funding?

3. What is your organization's annual budget? _____

4. What percentage of your annual budget is used for operating costs? _____ %

5. What percentage of your annual budget is used for fundraising costs? _____ %



7. To your knowledge, has your organization received funding from the Gulf Power Foundation and/or Southern Company Foundation within the last year? _____ YES _____ NO

Section C: Organizational Capacity

1. What is your organization's history with similar programs/projects?
2. Please list any Gulf Power or Southern Company employees affiliated with your organization, including their roles within your organization.
3. If applicable, please provide a list of other companies, foundations, and/or other entities supporting this project and the corresponding amounts of support.

Please include these required attachments:

- 501 (c)(3) tax exempt determination letter
- Florida Charitable Solicitation License
- Annual Budget details
- Most recent Form 990
- Most recent audit

The application form and requested attachments should be forwarded via mail to Gulf Power Company, Tina Stojak – Foundation Administrator, One Energy Place - Bin 100, Pensacola, Florida 32520. Mail must be postmarked on or before the submission deadline.

Quarterly deadlines for standard grant process: March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15 (Deadline dates are subject to change. Please contact the Gulf Power Foundation Administrator at 850-444-6884 to confirm the next submission deadline prior to submitting your online application or sending via mail.)

Questions or need more information? Contact Tina Stojak at 850-444-6884 or tmstojak@southernco.com.