

Above and Beyond Grant: Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What does infrastructure mean (for purposes of this grant)?

A. Resources that a community or organization needs to do its work. This may include construction/renovation, equipment, or technology resources, such as development of a website.

Q. Does IWCF fund operations expenses?

A. IWCF does not provide general operating funds (however, overhead costs associated with specific new or expanded programs/projects are allowed)

Q. Can my organization apply for both an annual grant and the AB Grant?

A. An organization may apply for both annual grants in the five interest areas and the AB Grant. The applications must be for different projects. Only one grant will be awarded to the organization.

Q. How long do we have to spend the grant?

A. The term of the grant is either one or two years. We do expect all grant money to be spent in the year in which it is received.

Q. May urban service providers apply for this grant for funds to serve rural populations?

A. The service provider can be based in a larger city, as long as all services are to be provided in rural areas subject to the criteria above.

Q. Where did the population criterion of 30,000 come from?

A. Most federal agencies use under 50,000 population to designate an area as rural. Given the rural nature and small towns of Idaho, the Grants Committee decided to set the criterion at 30,000 population for purposes of the grant.

Q. Can multiple rural towns collaborate to apply for the grant even if the total population covered will exceed 30,000?

A. Multiple areas can be covered under the same grant, as long as each individual town meets the size criteria of 30,000 or less.

Q. How is the Above and Beyond Grant different from the annual grants?

- The size: This \$50,000-\$60,000 grant will be the largest grant IWCF has ever awarded.
- The rural focus: The specific target areas: Infrastructure, healthcare (including mental health care), education, services for seniors

- The percentage of the project funded by IWCF: In our other grants, we prefer to fund a substantial percentage of the project. For this grant, we are willing to play a small role in a larger undertaking.

Q. What is the best way to get more information?

- IWCF Website: See IdahoWomensCharitableFoundation.org for a complete list of guidelines
- Email grants@idahowomenscharitablefoundation.org for answers to specific questions
- Attend an education session in person or by Webinar