

[Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants | The National Endowment for the Humanities](#)

- Maximum award amount \$750,000
- Purpose: Buildings; Digital Infrastructure; Equipment
- Performance period: up to five years
- **Application available March 17, 2022**
- **Application due May 17, 2022**

The purpose of the Challenge Grants program is to develop the institutional base of nonprofits by providing funds for capacity building. These grants aim to help institutions develop long-term stable foundations for their programming and allow for greater access to these organizations.

The program funds two distinct types of projects:

- Capital Projects supports the design, purchase, construction, restoration, or renovation of facilities for humanities activities. This includes the purchase and installation of related moveable and permanently affixed equipment for exhibiting, maintaining, monitoring, and protecting collections (whether on exhibit or in storage), and for critical building systems, such as electrical, heating ventilation and air conditioning, security, life safety, lighting, utilities, telecommunications, and energy management.
- Digital Infrastructure supports the maintenance, modernization, and sustainability of existing digital scholarly projects and platforms.

[Search for Grants - grants.gov](#)

Less of a grant and more of a tool for finding grants. Grants.gov provides a collection of over 2,000 current grants. Reduce the number of results by locating the left side panel, selecting “grants” under “Funding Instrument Type,” and selecting “Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education” under “Eligibility.” Finally, enter “capacity building” into the keyword search in the top left. This will reduce the overall list to a more manageable number of opportunities to sift through.

Whether you are working to end poverty or hunger, conducting research, or working to battle a public health crisis, there are grants covering a wide variety of visions. Start searching!

[Utilize your local or state nonprofit associations](#)

You can find your associations at [Find Your State Association | National Council of Nonprofits](#). Yes, this is not a grant or even a page that helps that you find grants, but joining your nonprofit associations can lead to grants and overall help with capacity building. In your state or local community, there are likely associations of nonprofits that would love to have your organization join their ranks. A key focus of these groups is to provide education. One focus of that education is to make a broad array of capacity-building opportunities available to your organization, staff, and board members. Frequent webinars, digital resources, workshops, and conferences are all ways that joining an association can help your organization develop its capacity. Find your association and join today.

[Davie Community Foundation Scholarship Application](#)

- Deadline February 1st, 2022

The Davie Community Foundation, Inc. (DCF) is a nonprofit corporation established in 1988 to improve the lives of residents in Davie County, North Carolina. The Foundation currently concentrates its grant-making on proposals from non-profit organizations that address Youth, Literacy, Education, Health, or Poverty in Davie County. Proposals must benefit the citizens of the county. In an effort to strengthen community leadership, requests for Capacity Building and strengthening of non-profit organizations that impact these areas will be considered.

[Our Grants – The Lodestar Foundation](#)

The Lodestar Foundation uses its funds to further the nonprofit industry through strategic capacity and field-building grants. Offering a wide range of grants which can be found via its grant search tool (scroll to the bottom of the page linked above), the Lodestar Foundation places a particular focus on developing philanthropy infrastructure, field-building, and supporting collaboration in the industry through joint programming to administrative consolidations (sharing office space and/or services) to mergers and acquisitions to associations and confederations.

[Nonprofit Initiative | Placer Community Foundation](#)

The Placer County Community Foundation provides grants focused on developing higher quality, more sustainable, more valuable nonprofit services through improved staff and management capacity. Focusing on Placer County in Auburn California, the foundation recognizes the need for supporting local nonprofit infrastructure in order to have a better county socially and economically. Grant applications are posted when funds are available and guidelines for giving can be found [here](#).

[Community Foundation Greater Flint](#)

The Community Foundation of Greater Flint offers a number of grants to organizations operating in Genesee County Michigan. The link above will direct you to the foundation's grant cycles which include neighborhood grants for capacity building. The foundation also focuses on the areas of Health, Youth, Beautification and historic Preservation, Women and Girls, and organizations focusing on the geographic areas of Clio, Davison, Fenton, Flushing, and Grand Blanc in Genesee County.

[Apply For a Grant – Whatcom Community Foundation](#)

The Whatcom Community Foundation focuses on nonprofits that work to solve relevant and timely problems with cooperative, community-building strategies in Whatcom County Washington. While the foundation gives for several activities, it offers grants to catalyze change while building capacity. Recognizing the importance of capacity building in order to have cooperative and community change, the foundation values building the environment in which the community thrives.

[Apply for Grants | Community Foundation of Collier County](#)

The Community Foundation of Collier County of Florida provides grants to nonprofits within the county to support capacity building and operation. The foundation defines capacity building as specific needs such as Strategic planning and organizational assessment; Board development & training; Infrastructure improvements; Improving financial management; Fundraising, marketing, and communications planning; Program planning; and Feasibility assessment and implementation of mergers and strategic alliances. While grant applications are closed as of December 2021, check the link above soon for new deadlines in 2022.

Grants — Tracy Family Foundation

The Tracy Family Foundation offers capacity-building grants to nonprofit organizations, schools, or government agencies that operate in the Illinois counties of Adams, Brown, Cass, Greene, Hancock, McDonough, Morgan, Pike, Schuyler, and Scott. The foundation works to make these communities better through engaged, thoughtful, and strategic philanthropy. Note that the application for capacity building grants may be submitted at any time and are considered on a rolling basis.

Application | Booth Ferris Foundation

- Deadline February 1st (unless it falls on a weekend; if so, the next business day)

The Booth Ferris Foundation strives to improve the capacity of the nonprofit sector in New York through substantial grant-giving. The foundation requires applicants to maintain an annual budget of at least \$1 million. The foundation has additional guidelines for these capacity grants which can be found in detail [here](#).

Takoma Foundation - Grant Application Guidelines

The Takoma Foundation focuses its support on creating a dynamic, vibrant community that is inclusive, accepting, supportive, and understanding. The foundation provides grants to organizations working in the Takoma Park area of Maryland. Preference is given to organizations with an annual budget of less than \$100,000. The foundation seeks proposals that encourage and involve resident participation in community life; build connections between people; empower community-based groups to address immediate community concerns; and provide opportunities for community residents that would not be possible otherwise.

Annual Grants Program - High Point Community Foundation

The High Point Community Foundation strives to promote change through philanthropy in High Point County North Carolina. The Foundation encourages nonprofits to build their capacity in order to anticipate opportunities and challenges that are on the horizon. The foundation accepts grant proposals to increase a nonprofit's capacity for philanthropy through its community impact program.

Community Grants - Davie Community Foundation

- Deadline: February 1st

The Davie Community Foundation was founded to improve the lives of the residents of Davie County, North Carolina with a focus on community and vibrancy. The foundation seeks proposals for its community grants from non-profit organizations that address Youth, Literacy, Education, Health, or Poverty in Davie County. These grants are available for capacity building in these focus areas.