



Grant Applications and Funding Policy

Purpose

Grant applications are the means by which organizations (teams) participating in the Team Endowment Account Program request funding from their endowment accounts.

Definitions

Participating Organization - an organization, association or other entity that meets the Definition of a Team requirements as posted on the MidwayUSA Foundation website and has a funded Team Endowment Account.

Requirements

1. Only Participating Organizations may request a grant from the MidwayUSA Foundation.
 - 1.1. The grant request cannot exceed 5% of the organization's account balance on the day of the grant deadline.
 - 1.2. The Foundation encourages Participating Organizations to turn in their grant applications as soon as possible before the deadline, so applicants should use the most recent account balance available when completing their grant application. The Foundation will adjust the final amount of the grant if the corresponding account balance has changed as of the grant deadline.
2. MidwayUSA Foundation grants are not guaranteed. All grant applications must be approved by the Board of Directors of the MidwayUSA Foundation.
 - 2.1. Grant applications are reviewed by the Foundation board twice each year, usually in January and July.
3. There must be one full year (365 days) between successive grant requests.
 - 3.1. To better accommodate shooting team activities and their funding needs at various times of the year, the MidwayUSA Foundation will conduct two grant cycles per calendar year.
 - 3.1.1. Grant applications intended for approval at the first Board of Directors meeting of each calendar year (usually late January) are due on December 15.



Electronic submissions (e.g., email, fax, etc.) must be received at the Foundation office on or before the due date. Paper submissions (e.g., U.S. Mail, FedEx, etc.) must be post marked on or before the due date.

- 3.1.2. Grant applications intended for approval at the second Board of Directors meeting of each calendar year (usually late July) are due on June 15. Electronic submissions (e.g., email, fax, etc.) must be received at the Foundation office on or before the due date. Paper submissions (e.g., U.S. Mail, FedEx, etc.) must be post marked on or before the due date.
- 3.1.3. Incomplete or otherwise unacceptable grant applications may, at the discretion of the Foundation, be returned to the requestor. Any application returned for corrections will not automatically be “grandfathered” as of the original receipt date. A corrected grant application must be received at the Foundation office by the due date in order to guarantee consideration for that grant cycle.
- 3.1.4. It is the sole responsibility of the applying team to ensure the Foundation has a complete accepted copy of the grant application by close of business on the deadline date. The Foundation accepts no responsibility for mailed, faxed or e-mail grant applications that a team sends without written verification from the Foundation that the application has been received and is complete.

4. MidwayUSA Foundation grant payments will be issued as follows:

- 4.1. Grants will only be made payable to the Participating Organization that requested the grant.
- 4.2. The preferred method for a grant payment is via Direct Deposit (ACH) to the team’s bank account as provided on the team’s completed Direct Deposit form included with the grant application.
- 4.3. Direct Deposit (ACH) payments and Grant checks will be processed and distributed in a timely manner after the MidwayUSA Foundation’s Board of Directors approves the grant applications for that cycle.



5. MidwayUSA Foundation grant proceeds can only be used for Eligible Projects and Activities.
 - 5.1. Proposed projects/activities must conform to and foster the purposes set forth in The MidwayUSA Foundation's Articles of Incorporation as well as Mission and Purpose Statements.
 - 5.2. Allowable 501(c)(3) purposes that align with the MidwayUSA Foundation mission are limited to projects which are or include: charitable, educational, or fostering national or international amateur sports competition.
 - 5.3. Grant proceeds shall not be used to acquire firearms.
 - 5.4. Grant proceeds shall not be used to lobby or otherwise attempt to influence legislation, to influence the outcome of any public election, to carry on any voter registration drive, or used to contribute to any political campaign of any candidate for public office.
 - 5.5. The use of grant proceeds must be directly linked to the shooting team and shall not be used for club, high school, college, or university indirect costs.
 - 5.6. An application that fails to demonstrate that grant funds will be used for an allowable 501(c)(3) purpose will not be considered for funding.

6. Any Participating Organization receiving MidwayUSA Foundation grant funding must recognize the grant award in all related materials published by the organization.
 - 6.1. Publicity associated with any grant awarded by the MidwayUSA Foundation in the form of photographs, video, published or printed information, or any other materials, including any information or materials provided by the Participating Organization, may be used by the MidwayUSA Foundation in press releases, publications or other materials, for the promotion of the MidwayUSA Foundation Team Endowment Account Program or other Foundation programs, or in any other manner as determined by the Foundation.
 - 6.2. The Participating Organization must release the Foundation from any liability resulting from any information or material provided by the Participating Organization and must agree to indemnify the Foundation from any claims made or actions taken in any way associated with any information or materials provided by the Participating Organization.



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7. MidwayUSA Foundation grant proceeds that are unused, not committed for the specified purpose of the grant, or not committed within the time limit, if any, specified in the corresponding grant application, shall be returned to the MidwayUSA Foundation.
8. If a Participating Organization dissolves, disbands, or otherwise ceases to exist, or ceases to use for its intended purpose any property/equipment in reasonable working order that was obtained using proceeds from a MidwayUSA Foundation grant, then the organization is required to notify the MidwayUSA Foundation and make a reasonable effort to transfer ownership of such property/equipment to another Participating Organization for use within MidwayUSA Foundation Team Endowment Account guidelines. The MidwayUSA Foundation will help locate a suitable beneficiary for such property/equipment if needed.
9. The MidwayUSA Foundation reserves the right to audit the use of Team Endowment Account grant funding at any time and for any reason.
 - 9.1. A violation of Sections 5, 6, 7, or 8 of this policy by a Participating Organization shall permit the Foundation to take action up to and including termination of any and all further distributions to the Participating Organization, whether or not such distributions have been properly promised or pledged. The Foundation shall also retain the right to take any other actions allowable by law.