



Coach Training and Range Development Grant Application and Funding Policy

Purpose

Grant applications are how participating organizations request funding from the Coach Training or Range Development special purpose endowment.

Definitions

Participating Organization – a non-profit organization, association, or other entity that meets the eligibility requirements set forth by the MidwayUSA Foundation Coach Training or Range Development grant program.

Direct Relationship – providing a range facility or service to high school or college-aged youth on a continuing basis without which those youth would have no place to shoot.

Available Funds – the total amount of money to be granted through a program during the current cycle.

Requirements

1. Only participating Organizations may request a cash grant from MidwayUSA Foundation
 - 1.1. Coach Training Participating Organizations must hold a funded Agency or Donor Designated Endowment
 - 1.2. Range Development Participating Organizations must hold a funded Team or Agency Endowment or have a Direct Relationship with a Team or Agency Endowment holder
2. The Coach Training and Range Development programs will each have one cash grant cycle per calendar year
 - 2.1. Coach Training and Range Development Participating Organizations may request one cash grant per program per cycle
 - 2.2. The grant cycle deadline dates are:
 - 2.2.1. Coach Training – March 1
 - 2.2.2. Range Development – April 1
 - 2.3. The Foundation will allow access to the grant application at least 30 days in advance of the deadline to give organizations ample time to apply



- 2.4. Grant applications must be submitted through the Foundation's online grant application system
 - 2.5. Grant applications will be accepted from the day the program's online grant application is opened until the application closes on the deadline. Grant applications will not be accepted after the deadline
 - 2.6. The Foundation will review grant applications and award grants within two months after the grant application deadline
 - 2.7. Incomplete or unsatisfactory grant applications will be declined
3. MidwayUSA Foundation cash grants are not guaranteed. The Coach Training and Range Development cash grant programs are competitive, and grants will be awarded within Available Funds. These competitive grant applications are judged solely on the information provided by the submitting organization. Those applications with incomplete, inaccurate, confusing, or conflicting information will not be considered. Those with poor impact or justification statements, poor cost breakdowns, or overall poor detail will diminish the probabilities of award. All applicants are advised to provide any applicable substantiating or clarifying information to ensure their applications are complete and competitive. Note that the high volume of application submissions prohibit Foundation staff from reaching out to applicants for clarification or questions so it is important all applicable information is provided within the application
- 3.1. Grant applications must meet all requirements and be approved by MidwayUSA Foundation
 - 3.2. Grants will be awarded to applicants based upon greatest impact to the Foundation's mission as determined by Foundation staff
 - 3.2.1. Coach Training grant applications must be no less than \$1,000 and no more than \$5,000
 - 3.2.2. Range Development grant applications must be no less than \$2,500 and no more than \$75,000, and cannot exceed 50% of the total project budget
 - 3.3. Grant requests may be partially funded



4. MidwayUSA Foundation cash grants will be paid as follows:
 - 4.1. Cash grants will be made payable to the Participating Organization (TIN/EIN Entity)
 - 4.2. The preferred method of grant payment is direct deposit (ACH) to the organization's bank account as provided on the Direct Deposit Authorization form included in the grant application.
 - 4.3. Direct deposit (ACH) payments and grant checks will be processed and distributed in a timely manner after MidwayUSA Foundation approves the grant applications

5. MidwayUSA Foundation cash grant funding can only be used for eligible projects and activities
 - 5.1. Proposed projects/activities must conform to and foster the purposes set forth in 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 funding 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
 - 5.4. Grant funding shall not be used to acquire firearms
 - 5.5. Grant funding shall not be used to benefit an individual (e.g., scholarships)
 - 5.6. Grant funding shall not be used to pay personal expenses for any individual(s) (e.g., personal loans, personal utility bills, etc.)
 - 5.7. Coach Training Grants
 - 5.7.1. Coach training grants must be utilized to create certified youth shooting coaches from currently uncertified individuals. The intent of the program is to transform these coach candidates into certified Level 1/Entry/Beginner coaches that can coach and assist youth shooters behind and on the firing line. Grant funds may only be utilized to convert uncertified coach candidates to Level 1/Entry/Beginner



coaches and may not be utilized to provide existing coaches with advanced coaching levels or certifications, skills training, shooting clinics, or any other training that does not result in creating new Level 1/Entry/Beginner coaches. The only exception is that existing certified coaches may utilize grant funds to receive train-the-trainer certification (see 5.7.2 below). Newly certified coaches must benefit endowment holding teams or organizations

5.7.1.1. Individual coach candidates are eligible to obtain Level 1/Entry/Beginner coaching certifications across multiple disciplines (if applicable)

5.7.1.2. Individual coach candidates may only receive the benefit of one Participating Organization's grant funds

5.7.2. Train-the-trainer grant funds must be utilized by existing certified coaches of endowment holding teams or organizations

5.7.2.1. Individual train-the-trainer candidates are eligible to obtain train-the-trainer coaching certifications across multiple disciplines (if applicable)

5.7.2.2. Individual train-the-trainer candidates may only receive the benefit of one Participating Organization's grant funds

5.7.3. Grant funds shall not be used for skills training, shooting clinics, or any other training that does not result in creating new Level 1/Entry/Beginner coaches

5.7.4. Grant funds shall not be used to provide existing coaches with advanced coaching levels or certifications; the only exception is that existing certified coaches may utilize grant funds to receive train-the-trainer certification (see 5.7.2 above)

5.8. Range Development Grants

5.8.1. Grant funds must improve or expand a range where there is a Direct Relationship with an endowment holder

5.8.2. Grant funds shall not be used to purchase land or fund a new facility

5.8.3. Grants funds shall not be used for indirect costs associated with the range development project

5.9. An Application that fails to demonstrate that the cash grant funding will be used within Section 5 guidelines will not be considered for approval



6. Any Participating Organization receiving MidwayUSA Foundation cash grant funding must recognize the cash grant award whenever possible in relevant materials published by the organization
 - 6.1. Publicity associated with any grant funding awarded by 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 MidwayUSA Foundation in press releases, publications or other materials, for the promotion of MidwayUSA Foundation, 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
 - 6.2.1. University based teams that by law cannot comply with paragraph 6.2 may be exempted at the discretion of the Foundation
7. Unused cash grant funding, not committed for the specified purpose, or not committed within the time limit, if any, detailed in the corresponding grant application, shall be returned to MidwayUSA Foundation
 - 7.1. Unless a time limit is specifically stated in the grant application, the Foundation expects that grant funds be expended and projects completed within nine months of receipt. However, if there is no stated time limit, funds may be carried over from one year to the next if it is in the best interest of the Participating Organization and with Foundation approval.
8. If a Participating Organization dissolves, disbands, or otherwise ceases to exist, or ceases to use any property/equipment in reasonable working order that was obtained using cash grant funding from MidwayUSA Foundation, 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 the MidwayUSA Foundation Coach Training or Range Development program guidelines. MidwayUSA Foundation will help locate a suitable beneficiary for such property/equipment if needed

9. MidwayUSA Foundation reserves the right to audit the use of Coach Training and Range Development cash 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 grants to the Participating Organization, whether or not such grants have been properly promised or pledged. The Foundation shall also retain the right to take any other actions allowable by law