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The Suter Company 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Community Enrichment Grant Guidelines

At The Suter Company, our vision is to enrich lives for generations. As a long-standing community partner and investor, we are pleased to celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary with The Suter Company Community Enrichment Grant Program. We are proud to offer a total of \$100,000 to 501(c)3 non-profit organizations that impact residents of DeKalb County, Illinois, divided across four grant cycles for the 2025 calendar year.

***Applicant Eligibility***

- Eligible applicants are 501(c)3 non-profit organizations that provide direct assistance, services, and/or benefits to DeKalb County, Illinois residents.
- Organizations must be in good standing with the IRS and have a current 990 on file.
- Organizations must have a valid EIN number.
- Applicants may apply in more than one grant cycle until they receive a grant. Organizations can only receive one grant during the 2025 period.

***Grant Application Schedule***

<b>Funding Cycle</b>	<b>Total Awarded Per Cycle</b>	<b>Applications Due</b>	<b>Funding Decision</b>	<b>Final Project Report Due Before</b>
Cycle 1	\$25,000	02/14/25	03/14/25	09/15/25
Cycle 2	\$25,000	05/23/25	06/25/25	12/23/25
Cycle 3	\$25,000	08/15/25	09/13/25	03/13/26
Cycle 4	\$25,000	11/07/25	12/06/25	06/05/26

***Deadlines***

Grant applications are due by 11:59pm CT on the application dates above. All application materials to complete are available on The Suter Company website at: <https://www.suterco.com/100th-anniversary-community-enrichment-grant/>

All application materials must be submitted electronically via e-mail to [sutergrant100anniversary@suterco.com](mailto:sutergrant100anniversary@suterco.com). Physical copies will not be accepted.

The Suter Company Community Enrichment Grant Committee and staff will review all applications and notify organizations by the Funding Decision date stated in the chart above.

Contact Christine DeVliieger at [sutergrant100anniversary@suterco.com](mailto:sutergrant100anniversary@suterco.com) or at 779-222-3266 with questions about the application process or eligibility.



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### ***Application & Funding Details***

When applying for the Community Enrichment Grant, please note the following:

- Grants are one-time awards supporting specific projects to be completed within one year (12-months). In limited cases, a commitment might be made to a specific project to be completed in a longer time frame (beyond 12 months).
- Organizations can only receive one successful grant within this 12-month period.
- Grantees are expected to submit a Final Project report by the deadline stated in the chart above.
- Grants will be made to eligible organizations located in or serving DeKalb County, Illinois. Organizations must have local leadership in the form of a board of directors or an advisory committee, local financial support, and/or local program management and accountability. In the case of a nationally, statewide, or regionally-sponsored organization, no portion of the grant can be used to support the national, state, or regional entity.
- A one-page budget form for the project must be completed with each application (Template provided with the application materials).
- Applicants may receive partial funding for their request. Applicants are encouraged to thoughtfully consider the amount requested and develop a budget rationale that accurately corresponds with the proposed project.

### ***Grantmaking Priorities***

The Suter Company believes in supporting organizations and projects that will have a significant impact within the DeKalb County, Illinois community. We will prioritize grant applications that:

- Support organizations with projects and services that enhance the quality of life in DeKalb County, Illinois.
- Encourage programs and projects that enhance cooperation and collaboration among organizations within DeKalb County, Illinois.
- Assist organizations to better respond to clearly defined unmet needs within the community.
- Leverage funds and in-kind support, such as using “seed” money, “match” and “challenge” grants and funds from multiple sources.

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Please note the funding for The Suter Company 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Community Enrichment Grants will come from The Suter Giving Family Fund at the National Christian Foundation (NCF). NCF helps people create a giving strategy based on biblical principles so they can be wise stewards of all they have and experience joy in giving. Applications are welcome and will be considered by all non-profit organizations, regardless of religious affiliation. To learn more about NCF, please visit [www.ncfgiving.org](http://www.ncfgiving.org).