

INNOVATION GRANT - REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR  
PROGRAMS OCCURRING July 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

INNOVATION GRANT GUIDELINES:

1. **Innovation Grant Calendar:**

- > Applications will be available by request January 1, 2025.
- > Applications are due March 28, 2025, 12 Noon.
- > The Innovation Grant Award announcements will occur by May 30, 2025.

2. **What will the Innovation Grant program fund?** Preference will be given to *original, creative* programs and projects that meet *all* of the following core priority areas.

- > *Collaborative* in both *planning and implementation* (between multiple organizations and/or individuals);
- > Developed *locally*; and,
- > Designed to bring the *entire* Jewish community together.

3. **Who is eligible?** Grants will be given to any Dayton Area Jewish organization exempt from Federal Tax under Section 501(c)(3) or any individual member of the Jewish community whose program/initiative will be sponsored by a Jewish organization exempt from Federal Tax under Section 501(c)(3) as his/her fiscal agent.

4. **The Innovation Grant program will *not* fund the following:**

- > Traveling speakers
- > Traveling performances
- > Capital projects
- > Salaries/benefits
- > Scholarships
- > Fundraising projects for the applicants

INNOVATION GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Tara Feiner will email the Innovation Grant packet. Completed applications should be emailed back to Tara at [tfeiner@jfgd.net](mailto:tfeiner@jfgd.net) by March 28, 2025 at 12 Noon. The application packet includes:

1. Innovation Grant Application (Adobe PDF) signed by the organization(s) senior officer, as well as the senior officer of partner organizations.
2. Innovation Grant Budget (Microsoft Excel)
3. First time applicants must supply a copy of the organization's IRS tax exempt ruling 501(c)(3) for all groups involved if there is a collaboration. Prior Innovation Grant awardees do not need to resubmit their tax exempt status.

## INNOVATIONGRANT REPORTING PROCEDURES:

All award notification letters will be delivered by email and will include all the reporting documents required to receive grant funds. If awarded, Tara Feiner will schedule a mandatory pre-implementation meeting with all grant partners to review the required documentation and marketing needs for the program.

- > **Pre-Event Report:** Award recipients will be required to submit a status report *no later than 30 days prior to the start* of the program or initiative.
- > **Post Event Report:** A final report must be submitted *within 30 days after the completion* of the program or initiative, including a final budget statement.
- > **Final budget:** A final budget must be submitted with the Post Event Report. The budget must include all receipts for the program. The *final budget with receipts* is MANDATORY or the grant will be revoked.

## MARKETING

All marketing materials must acknowledge: "Funding provided by an Innovation Grant of the Jewish Federation of Greater Dayton." Please contact Tara Feiner to ensure the marketing pieces meet the Innovation Grant promotional guidelines for wording and logo usage.

## DO YOU NEED HELP WITH MARKETING FOR YOUR EVENT?

All Innovation Grant recipients have the opportunity to have the JFGD Marketing Department design the marketing materials for the program or event free of charge. This is an option available to all grant recipients, but it is not a requirement. If you are interested in this service please let Tara know.

## INNOVATION GRANT AWARD PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

50% of the award will be issued once the Pre-Event Report has been submitted and approved. Final payment will be issued upon submission of the Post-Event Report and final budget. The final budget must include all program receipts.