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SAFETY NET GRANTS
## Baseline Eligibility

1. Aligns with our new pathway
2. **501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit** or operates under fiscal sponsorship of a tax-exempt nonprofit
3. Has not applied in the last 12 months
4. Primarily serves people in the foundation's catchment area apart from regional, statewide, or national public policy efforts when there is a strong connection with and influence on the Greater Boston policy interests
5. Responds to an essential need by providing resources that health, wellness, safety, and belonging for individuals or families in crisis
Essential needs are defined as resources that restore health, wellness, safety and belonging for individuals or families in crisis. They can include, but are not limited to:

- Childcare assistance
- Direct cash assistance
- Food security
- Health care access
- Legal support
- Mental health support
- Rental and housing assistance
- Support for survivors of trauma
- Transportation and mobility support
Catchment Area

Apart from regional, statewide or national public policy efforts when there is a strong connection with and influence on Greater Boston policy interests.
Support Type:
General Operating Support

Funding Level:
$50,000 paid in two annual installments of $25,000

Grant Period:
Two-year funding commitment
Funding Priorities

We are especially interested in organizations that are:

- **Smaller** and have been *historically excluded* from philanthropic support;
- **BIPOC-led** and/or whose leadership reflects the demographic composition and lived experiences of the communities they serve;
- Meeting the needs of **seniors and people with physical disabilities**;
- Providing **food, fuel and shelter** support
BIPOC-Led Organizations

Organizations whose mission statement and/or programs aim to serve predominantly BIPOC communities and having one or more of the following:

- Executive Director or Senior Leadership (decision makers) identifies as BIPOC
- At least 51% of the board of directors identifies as BIPOC
- At least 51% of the staff and volunteers are BIPOC
**Funding Considerations**

**ORGANIZATIONAL STRENGTH**

- Aligns with Our New Pathway, the strategic vision for The Boston Foundation
- Clear mission and vision that guide the organization;
- Strong staff and board leadership, that is diverse and representative (demographic composition and lived experience) of the community they serve;
- Deep commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion (internally and externally);
- Strong emphasis on incorporating learnings from a measurement/assessment plan; and
- Strong collaboration/partnerships with community and community-based organizations
Funding Considerations

PROPOSAL’S POTENTIAL FOR IMPACT

• The grant size will have a meaningful impact on the organization's effectiveness and ability to meet its mission;
• Authentically serves populations and communities historically excluded from institutions and/or systems;
• Clear correlation between annual goals and organization's ability to address the defined challenge or opportunity unfolding in their community; and
• Clear vision of success and a way to measure success on a scale that is appropriate to its learning goals and relative to its resources
I'm eligible! How do I apply?

Complete an online application (available at tbf.org/safetynetgrants)

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Funding Opportunities

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Please note that grant programs will close on 11:59pm of the listed "Closed On" date. For example, if the Closed On date is listed as 2/20/23, then applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on 2/20/23.

OPEN FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (2)

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Upcoming Deadline: September 26, 2023 at 11:59pm
Application Considerations

- Tweaked our funding priorities and how we are evaluating areas of greatest need
- Updated demographics section with questions on BIPOC-led and staff size
- Updated field of interest question so folks can select top 3 responses
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