STRENGTHENING YOUTH PROGRAMS IN INDIANA (SYPI)

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Strengthening Youth Programs in Indiana

Information Session

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About Lilly Endowment

Lilly Endowment Inc. is a private philanthropic foundation established in Indianapolis in 1937.

The Endowment’s youth grantmaking supports programs and strategies that enhance and complement what youth experience in school and focus on child protection, education success, and social, leadership and character development.

The Endowment:  lillyendowment.org.

SYPI:  lillyendowment.org/strengtheningyouth.
About SYPI

Strengthening Youth Programs in Indiana is a competitive initiative to help advance the academic, physical and social development of Indiana youth.

Through this initiative, the Endowment seeks to strengthen eligible youth-serving organizations that provide programs and services to youth (ages five through 18) in communities throughout Indiana.
Initiative Highlights

• The Endowment expects grant amounts to range from $60,000 up to $1 million.

• Proposals are due by 12 p.m. EDT on May 1, 2023.

• Proposals must be submitted through the online application form on the Endowment’s website.

• Funding decisions are expected during fall 2023.
Initiative Priorities

Youth-serving organizations should have programs that further one or more of the following:

• Enhancing the welfare and safety of youth.
• Identifying and addressing the social and emotional needs of youth.
• Delivering educational experiences for youth that supplement classroom learning.
• Developing character traits and leadership skills in youth.
• Providing safe and enriching out-of-school time learning environments for youth.
Special Focus

This initiative has a special focus on youth who:

• Are in low-income households.
• Are members of communities of color.
• Are from immigrant families.
• Lack adult supervision and protection.
• Are or have been exposed to trauma or other adverse childhood experiences.
Funding Categories

Organizations may apply for funding in one or more of the following:

1. Program
   Grants that help to expand or enhance existing programs for Indiana youth or initiate new programs to serve their emerging needs.

2. Capacity Building
   Grants that strengthen youth-serving organizations’ operations.

3. Capital
   Grants that help youth-serving organizations renovate their physical plants to provide stimulating environments for youth or help the organization purchase needed equipment.
Program Grant Examples

• A pilot program to address an emerging need.
• Expanded programming to serve more youth or add new locations to increase access.
• A new high-quality curriculum.
• New materials and supplies to enhance a program.
• New staff or contract support to ensure programs are fully implemented.
Capacity-Building Grant Examples

• Sustainable staff retention and attraction efforts.
• Consultant support for fundraising.
• Strategic planning.
• Program evaluation.
• Marketing and communications.
• Data collection and evaluation.
• New financial management system.
• Software and subscription purchases.
Capital Grant Examples

- Playground safety equipment.
- Computer equipment.
- A bus or van to transport youth.
- Wiring for internet access.
- Musical instruments.
- Minor building and grounds improvements.
- Updates to property to ensure health, safety and ADA compliance.
Eligibility
Criterion One

Established youth-serving organization that currently provides programs directly for youth (ages five through 18) in Indiana.

• Have provided these programs for at least three full years as of December 31, 2022.

• Be a public charity described in Internal Revenue Code (Code) sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1), (2) or (3) (other than Type III supporting organizations described in clause (i) or (ii) of Code section 4942(g)(4)(A)).
Criterion Two

Offer programs that serve one or more of the priorities previously highlighted for this initiative.
Criterion Three

Offer programs that solely serve youth ages five to 18 or, if it offers programs for individuals in other age groups, it must demonstrate that its youth programs address an unmet need for youth in its local community (county, city or town) that no other organization solely serving youth addresses.
Ineligible Organizations

The following organizations are ineligible for SYPI funding, regardless of whether they meet the previously outlined criteria:

• K-12 schools
• School foundations
• Higher education institutions
• Youth sports leagues
• Government agencies
Ineligible National Organizations and Affiliates

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of America
- Boys and Girls Clubs of America
- Boy Scouts of America
- Girl Scouts USA
- Girls Inc.
- Junior Achievement USA
- National FFA Organization
- YMCA of the USA
- YWCA USA
Questions about eligibility may be emailed to Endowment staff at strengtheningyouth@lei.org
Funding Considerations

- It has the capacity to deliver high-quality programming or services, as evidenced by credible, external validation.

- The number of youth it serves is significant for its community and the frequency and amount of services are sufficient to achieve the intended impact.
Funding Considerations

• Its programs and services are in demand by youth and their families in the organization’s service area.

• The amount of the requested grant is proportional to the scale and impact of the efforts to be funded by the grant.
Funding Considerations

• It achieved significant program or service outcomes during 2021 and 2022.

• It addresses one or more of the SYPI priorities and serves or strives to serve youth who are a special focus for this initiative.
Funding Considerations

- It has the ability and commitment to sustain programming and impact after funds from a grant are expended.
Funding Considerations

The Endowment will also take into consideration the extent to which the organization has received funding from the Endowment in recent years.

Organizations that have received funding from the Endowment in the past three years, except through the Summer Youth Program Fund (Indianapolis) or the Endowment’s Youth Program Resilience Fund (2020), should contact the Endowment to determine their eligibility for SYPI funding at strengtheningyouth@lei.org.
Funding Amounts

The Endowment expects grant amounts to range from $60,000 up to $1 million.

An organization can apply for an amount equal to the average of its operating expenses during the last three years (2020, 2021 and 2022) but no greater than the $1 million limit for this grant opportunity across all categories (program, capacity building and capital).
Submitting a Proposal
Submission Deadline

The deadline to submit a proposal is 12 p.m. EDT on Monday, May 1, 2023.

All proposals must be submitted through the online application form on the Endowment’s website.
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The Endowment expects grant amounts to range from $60,000 up to $1 million. Proposals are due by 12 p.m. EDT on May 1, 2023 and must be submitted through the online Application Form below. Funding decisions are expected to be made during fall 2023.

Eligibility

To be eligible for funding under SYPI, an organization must meet the following criteria:

- It must be an established youth-serving organization that currently provides programs directly for youth (ages five through 18) in Indiana; it must have provided these programs for at least three full years as of December 31, 2022; and it must be a public charity described in Internal Revenue Code (Code) sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1), (2) or (3) (other than Type III supporting organizations described in clause (i) or (ii) of Code section 4942(g)(4)(A)).
- It must offer programs that serve one or more of the purposes indicated as priorities for this initiative as described above.
- It must offer programs that solely serve youth ages five to 18 or, if it offers programs for individuals in other age groups, it must demonstrate that its youth programs address an unmet need for youth in its local community (county, city or town) that no other organization solely serving youth addresses.

For a full list of eligibility requirements, please refer to the Request for Proposals (RFP).
Complete Applications

A complete funding request must include the following seven items:

• Proposal Narrative
• Proposal Grant Budget
• Grant Budget Narrative
• Letters of Support
• Tax Determination Letter
• Endowment Tax Form
• Current Board-Approved Financial Statements or Audit
• (Optional) Supplemental Information
Three-Year SYPI Line-Item Budget Format

Line-item examples shown below are for illustrative purposes only. Please refer to examples presented under Funding Considerations on page 3 of the RFP for additional guidance. The Endowment encourages you to consult with your organization’s financial professionals about determining the line-item expenses needed for your specific funding request. The line-item expenses need to be fully described in your Budget Narrative.

As a reminder, your organization can apply for funding in one or more of the following grant areas: Program Expenses, Capacity-Building Expenses and/or Capital Project Expenses. Your budget should include only projected expenses for the areas in which you are seeking funding.

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To learn more and apply online, visit lillyendowment.org.
About Indiana Youth Institute

Our mission is to improve the lives of all Indiana children by strengthening and connecting the people, organizations, and communities that are focused on kids and youth.

Indiana Youth Institute: iyi.org
IYI Technical Assistance

Information Session
February 21, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. EST - Register Here

Regional Summits
March 20, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. EDT
French Lick Springs Hotel
Register Here

March 21, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. EDT
Ivy Tech Community College – Indianapolis Campus
Register Here

March 22, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. EDT
Sammlung Platz Event Center
Register Here
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Local Clinics
Most local clinics will be held from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. EDT
Please visit iyi.org for additional information.

March 28, 2023 - Kokomo
March 29, 2023 - Muncie
March 31, 2023 - Bloomington
April 3, 2023 - Evansville
April 4, 2023 - Scottsburg
April 5, 2023 - South Bend
April 10, 2023 - Gary
April 12, 2023 - Indianapolis
April 13, 2023 - Kendallville