



EBSCO COMMUNITY IMPACT

Request for 2019 Proposals Application and Guidelines

Deadline for Applications:
Friday, September 14, 2018

Applications must be submitted via the email
address:
communityimpact@ebSCO.com

Questions? Contact

Karla Wiles (kwiles@ebSCO.com) or
Brian Wilson (bwilson@ebSCO.com)

Overview

EBSCO is committed to improving the communities where we work and live, and EBSCO Community Impact is a funding and volunteer program designed to help our team members create positive results through the service and support EBSCO provides.

- We aim to improve the education of our children and the education of our neighbors, so all have an opportunity to attain economic stability.
- We seek to protect our natural environment and sustain our natural resources enabling future generations to lead lives enhanced by the world around us.
- We strive to support health initiatives that foster medical advancements or provide healthcare services to create healthy communities.
- We support human services focused on strengthening the vitality of our region and enhancing the quality of life for all families.
- And, we foster arts programs which inspire creativity and innovation, enriching the lives of the members of our community.

EBSCO Community Impact will award grants to local non-profits in amounts ranging from \$5,000 to \$15,000, with five to ten organizations receiving grants in 2019.

For the inaugural 2019 grant cycle, EBSCO Community Impact will award grants to non-profit organizations which give priority to one or more of the areas above *servicing* the five-county metropolitan area: Blount, Jefferson, Shelby, St. Clair, and Walker.

Proposal Requirements

- EBSCO Community Impact will consider proposals for programs which
 - promote one or more of the five community pillars of Education, Environment, Health, Human Services, or the Arts,
 - support a need in our community,
 - and demonstrate measurable impact.
- It is recommended for proposals also to provide information on direct partnership opportunities through volunteering.
 - *Whether the opportunities are specific to the grant request or broader in terms of supporting the nonprofit overall will not factor into the grant decision process.*

Priority Consideration

Special consideration will be given to programs that:

- Combine two or more of the community pillars
- Convey an *innovative* approach to solving a community need

This Program Does Not Offer Funding For

- *Requests from individuals, government organizations, or private businesses*
- *Scholarship requests from individuals*
- *Endowment campaigns or capital fund drives*
- *Requests to address organization's financial deficit*
- *Programs that require membership in a specific religion. Faith-based organizations may be eligible if they welcome and serve all members of the community regardless of religious belief and do not require participation in religious activities as part of program eligibility.*
- *Political candidates or activities*

Application Timeline

July 26, 2018	Request for Proposals Announced
September 14, 2018	Grant Proposals Due Must be submitted by email to communityimpact@ebSCO.com
November 16, 2018	Finalists are Announced
January 7,8,9,14,15,16, 2019	Nonprofit Presentations to EBSCO Community Impact Committee
January 25, 2019	Grant Awards Announced
February 15, 2019	Grant Award Lunch

EBSCO Community Impact Application Guidelines

- Please type all responses.
- Please use the numbered headings or templates when provided to organize your responses and application materials.
- Final and completed applications are due September 14, 2018, by email to communityimpact@ebSCO.com

Questions?

The EBSCO Community Impact Chairs are available to answer questions.

Please contact:

Brian Wilson, EBSCO, Sr. Vice President Corporate Human Resources: bwilson@ebSCO.com

-or-

Karla Wiles, EBSCO, Vice President Marketing & Communications kwiles@ebSCO.com

Application Checklist

Below are the requirements for the full application. *Incomplete applications will not be considered.*

Grant Proposal	
	Proposal Overview
	Proposal Application
Nonprofit Background Information	
	Organization's Annual Budget
	List of current Board and Staff members
	501(c)3 Determination Letter
	Most recent audit of your organization

Proposal Overview

Organization Name: _____ EIN # (Tax ID): _____

Organization Address: _____

Executive Director: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

How did you hear about The EBSCO Community Impact Program?

Have you previously received funding from EBSCO? Yes____ No____

If yes, what year(s)? _____ Purpose? _____

Counties your organization currently serves: _____

Areas your proposal impacts? Education ____ Environment ____ Arts ____ Health ____ Social Services ____

Program Name/Idea _____

Idea Description: (in 40 words or less)

Funding Amount Requesting: _____ Program/ Idea Total Cost: _____

Has your organization experienced an increase or decrease in funding in the last 3 years (including all funding sources)?
Increased____ Decreased____



Proposal Application

Please limit your answers to a maximum of 2 pages total (standard typeface, 10 pt. font, single-spaced) and use the numbered headings to organize your responses.

1. Idea/Program

Provide an overview of the need you see in the community and a brief description of how your idea or program intends to use the EBSCO Community Impact Grant to benefit our community.

2. Description

- History of your program including how you have previously measured success, or (if a new idea), please describe the goals for the program and the ways you intend to measure success.
- If your program/idea requires ongoing support, please elaborate as to how your proposed program or idea will be sustained beyond the scope of this grant.

3. Volunteering Opportunities

- If your program/idea involves participation from volunteers which could potentially include EBSCO team members, please denote the ways in which volunteer resources would be utilized.
- If your nonprofit organization has a need for volunteers beyond this specific request, please outline the opportunities for participation.

4. Proposal Presentations

If your proposal is selected for committee evaluation, you and/or your team will be requested to participate in a 30-minute meeting (15-minute presentation and 15 minute Q&A session) to the EBSCO Community Impact Committee, consisting of EBSCO Industries team members. Your ability to participate in this presentation is an important component in determining grant awards. Please mark all dates you can be available if your proposal is selected.

Monday, January 7 Tuesday, January 8 Wednesday, January 9

Monday, January 14 Tuesday, January 15 Wednesday, January 16

Thank you for your time and interest in participating in the EBSCO Community Impact Program and thank you for all that you do to support our community!

