

**The King's Daughters & Sons Foundation of Kentucky, Inc.
Proposal Requirements and Application Procedures
Effective September 1, 2026**

Funding Priorities:

The primary categories for awarding funding by The King's Daughters and Sons Foundation of Kentucky, Inc. (TKDSF) are Higher Education, Health and General Welfare programs. Within these categories, grants will be awarded to support projects with an emphasis on capital expansion, equipment purchases, and higher education scholarships for Kentucky residents. The King's Daughters and Sons Foundation of Kentucky, Inc. restricts its grants to projects and organizations located primarily in Kentucky or serving Kentuckians. Grant recipients are typically determined at the close of the year and funded when adequate documentation is received.

Funding will *not* be granted for the following requests:

- **for annual operating support**
- **for “scholarships” to day care or preschool organizations**
- **from fraternal or veterans’ organizations, unless the gift is in support of a recognized community project**
- **from individuals**
- **from political entities**
- **from primary and secondary schools**
- **from religious organizations for the exclusive benefit of one religious entity**
- **to improve property rented by the applicant**
- **to improve property owned by the applicant if it is sold within five years of grant receipt (repayment based on a sliding scale over the five-year period would be required)**
- **to purchase tickets or sponsorship for charitable tournaments, luncheons, dinners, etc.**
- **to support operating funds of a hospital or other patient care institution; capital expansion programs may be considered**
- **to support youth sports leagues**

How to apply:

Follow the instructions carefully on how to complete the application and the accompanying attachments.

If the applicant meets the above criteria, funding priorities, and returns a completed application package, it will automatically be considered for funding.

Please note the following requirements and stipulations:

(1) Deadline and Application Requirements:

Applications will be accepted no earlier than September 1. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2026. All applications received after September 30, 2026, will be deemed ineligible for 2026 grant awards.

The completed application must be accompanied by the following attachments:

Attachments:

- ☐ Cover letter in required format (see below)
- ☐ List of the Board of Directors with addresses and business affiliations
- ☐ IRS Section 501(c)(3) tax determination letter
- ☐ Most recently filed IRS Form 990 tax return (including Schedule B) or equivalent 12 month financial reports
- ☐ Descriptive literature (optional)

Required format for the body of the cover letter (not to exceed three pages):

- Request:** State the nature of the request and the amount.
- Profile:** Provide an overview of the organization with appropriate statistics, including population served, etc.
- Background:** Any additional background helpful to understand the nature of the organization.
- Need:** Describe the rationale for the grant request, with the background and explanation fully outlined.
- The Project:** Describe the facility or project to be funded.
- The Cost:** An outline of the major cost components of the project should be depicted here. You should include a quote or other documentation to support the amount of your request.
- Funding:** If requesting partial funding, provide a summary of how the organization proposes to fund the entire project, including other potential sources as well as funding received to date.
- Conclusion:** Any other conclusions appropriate for the request may be added here.

Please use clips or staples only for application materials. Do not use **folders or notebooks**. Your application will be assigned to a member of the board of directors for review and you may be contacted by that member for clarification on your application. You may also be contacted by TKDSF Board Members Donna Counts or Karen Wagers, CPA, or Sterling Foundation Management regarding the financial or application information you submit. You will be notified of the TKDSF Board's grant determination by mid-December.

**SEND THE ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY OF THE
APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
TO:**

The King's Daughters and Sons Foundation of Kentucky, Inc.
c/o Sterling Foundation Management
12030 Sunrise Valley Drive, Suite 450
Reston, VA 20191

(2) Expiration of grant approval:

If your grant request is approved or denied you will be notified in writing. Grant recipients will be notified of the effective date of the grant. The 2026 grant approval expires November 15, 2027. If documentation is not received to process your payment(s) by this date, your grant approval will be withdrawn and voided. Should your request be withdrawn or voided, you are not disqualified from applying in the future.

(3) Approval is for specifically requested items, not for specific funds:

Your request is for the funding of the purchase of a particular item(s). **You are to make your best efforts to obtain an accurate estimate of the cost and provide such documentation with the application. Requesting excess funds limits the amounts that can be awarded to other organizations.** The eventual payment will be based upon the actual cost of the item(s) as documented by an invoice. You will be paid only up to the amount of the grant. Should the actual cost exceed your grant request, you will be responsible for the difference. Should the actual cost be less, you will not be given the difference. The difference will be retained by The King's Daughters and Sons Foundation for future grants. **WE DO NOT HONOR GRANTS FOR ITEMS PURCHASED PRIOR TO APPROVAL.**

The King's Daughters and Sons Foundation of Kentucky, Inc. Grant Application

*Grant applications must be submitted
between September 1 and September 30, 2026.*

- | Date | Amount requested | Total project cost |
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1. Name of organization
 2. Physical address (no post office boxes):
 3. Mailing address (if different):
 4. Name of contact person responsible for day-to-day administration of the project for which the grant is requested
Title
Phone
Email
 5. Date and state of incorporation of organization
 6. Purpose for which funding is requested (please attach a separate sheet if necessary):
 7. Purpose of organization and services rendered:
 8. When and how is purpose carried out?

9. How many people were directly helped by the organization during the past 12 months? (Clients served, program enrollment, cases treated, etc.)

10. Are all of the services rendered by the organization open to the general public?

11. What fees or charges are assessed by the organization for its services?

12. Number of persons on staff administering functions/programs of organization:

13. Do you have any related party transactions with your organization's Officers, Board of Directors, and/or employees?

14. List major funding sources, amounts anticipated or received, and percentage of budget. Explain how long the organization has had this relationship (please attach separate sheet if necessary):

Organization	Amt. Anticipated	Amt. Received	% of Budget	Length of Relationship

15. Do you have an annual fund-raising event? If so, what, and when is it?

16. **Please provide a complete copy of the organization's most recently filed IRS Form 990, including Schedule B (preferably 2025; 2024 if 2025 has not yet been filed). If the organization is not required to file IRS Form 990, please provide the most recent audited financial statements or equivalent 12 month financial reports.**

17. Indicate plans for completing funding for this project. What other funds will be sought?
18. If sufficient funds are not raised for this project, what plans does the organization have for completing the project?
19. If the organization directs funds to other organizations, please complete below:

Organization	Amount	Date of Grant	Purpose

20. Will the organization permit a representative from The King's Daughters and Sons Foundation of Kentucky, Inc. to inspect the books and records and interview personnel and benefit recipients?

THIS APPLICATION IS FOR THE GRANT PERIOD FROM THE DATE OF NOTIFICATION IN DECEMBER 2026 THROUGH NOVEMBER 15, 2027.