



2021 Global Caring Month FAQ

What is the criteria for an organization to be selected for a Global Caring Month (GCM) grant?

- Ford Volunteer Corps Review Team will review the mission of the organization, the community that they serve, and how they have adapted to the pandemic. Please be as specific as possible with budget line items. Applications submitted on behalf of employee teams will be prioritized.

Can an organization be nominated for both a Gratitude Grant and Volunteer Project Grant?

- Organizations are eligible for one grant type only. Organizations cannot receive both a Gratitude Grant and a Volunteer Project Grant. If more than one employee nominates the same organization for different grant types, both employees will be contacted for further determination.
- Gratitude Grants will be open to existing partners of the Ford Fund as well as new organizations; Volunteer Project Grants will be available only to existing partner organizations that the Ford Fund has provided grants to in the past.

Can I nominate any organization in my community?

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Can I nominate the same organization I nominated last year?

- Yes, if an organization was nominated in 2020, it can be nominated again. Please refer to the vetted organization list to ensure that they are current in their GlobalGiving due diligence.

Does the organization have to be doing an activity specifically related to COVID-19 in order to receive a grant?

- No. It is our belief that all NGOs and nonprofits have been impacted by COVID-19 some way so the application should include some context in terms of how they have adjusted to the COVID-19 environment.

Where can I find the communications toolkit for GCM similar to what has been provided in previous years?

- A Global Caring Month Communications toolkit will be available to those employees participating on FordFund.org.



If an organization is not able to host in-person volunteer activities due to COVID-19, what is the contingency plan?

- If an approved in-person volunteer activity is cancelled due to unexpected COVID-19 restrictions, the project grant will revert to an operational grant (Gratitude Grant) and the organization will still receive funding.

What is the role of GlobalGiving in the grant process?

- GlobalGiving has sole discretion over final funding decisions and will perform their due diligence process for Ford Fund approved grants to ensure non-profits are performing charitable work in a transparent and accountable manner.

What are the COVID-19 safety protocols for in-person volunteer projects? What is the employee's role in the process?

- In order to participate in in-person volunteer projects, employees must comply with local market regulations and safety protocols. Employee volunteers must check with their local HR representative to ensure the volunteer project is compliant with local company guidelines.