

2025 One-Year General Operating Support Grant

The Mary Duke Biddle Foundation

Organization Information & Programming

Organization Type*

Please select the category that best fits your organization. While we recognize that some organizations could be more than one, please select the primary focus area.

Choices

Arts

Arts Education

Student Academic Success

Year organization established*

Character Limit: 250

Geographic Area Served*

Select the county or counties where your organization's primary programming takes place. If your organization serves all 4 counties listed in the region, please select "Triangle".

Choices

Chatham

Durham

Orange

Triangle

Wake

Fiscal agent information

If your organization is applying with a fiscal agent, please list the name of the fiscal agent organization.

Character Limit: 250

Organization Overview*

Please tell us about your organization, including information about the following (though not necessarily in this order):

- How does your organization's mission/purpose connect with The Mary Duke Biddle Foundation's grantmaking goals? (goals are listed below).
- Please provide information about the audience(s) engaged through your organization's programs and initiatives. Include a breakdown of demographic information.

The Mary Duke Biddle Foundation's grantmaking goals include:

The Arts

- Arts organizations that demonstrate artistic excellence and elevate the profile of the Triangle's art scenes, both locally and nationally.
- Early stage or developing organizations.
- Arts-focused organizations that work directly with artists to deepen and expand talent, create new works, promote visibility and sales for artists, and/or develop artists' professional and business skills.

Arts Education

- MDBF supports organizations that offer high-quality arts instruction to PreK-12 students who lack access to such programming because of economic conditions, race or ethnic background, geography or different abilities.
- All arts disciplines- music, dance, theater, visual, and digital/photography/filmmaking - are eligible. Programming may take within a school setting or outside of school.

Student Academic Success

- Early Learning Programs: MDBF supports PreK organizations whose primary purpose is kindergarten readiness. Evidence-based programs are a plus.
- Academic Achievement: MDBF supports organizations whose primary purpose is to support K-12 students' academic achievement. These include organizations that build academic skills through structured academic learning opportunities and/or structured tutoring and professional training for teachers and tutors that align with the standard NC curriculum. Evidence-based programs are a plus.

Character Limit: 3500

Organization's role in the arts, arts education, or student academic success ecosystem*

What is the need or opportunity your organization provides in the arts, arts education, or student academic success ecosystem. What distinguishes your organization's approach?

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Organization Strategic Goals

One-year general operating support grants allow us to get to know organizations that are new to us. Our grantmaking goal is to help nonprofits build their organizational capacity and effectiveness in ways that lead to long-term sustainability.

Strategic Goals*

As an emerging, developing, or established organization, please describe one of your organization's key strategic goals and/or priorities for building organizational capacity or stability. Why is this goal important? What impact or outcome do you anticipate? What are 1-2 strategies to address this goal?

Character Limit: 3500

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility

Organization's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility*

Describe your organization's approach to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility.

- Please include a description of the diversity that exists among your organization's board and staff.
- How does the staff and/or artists reflect the audiences engaged by your organization?
- Provide an specific inclusion goals for the board and/or staff.
- Include information about volunteers if applicable.

Character Limit: 2500

Organization Financial Information

Fiscal Year*

Please provide the end date of your organization's fiscal year (month/date), e.g. 6/30 or 12/31

Character Limit: 10

Current FY Budgeted Revenues*

Character Limit: 20

Current Fiscal Year Budgeted Expenses*

Character Limit: 20

Previous FY Actual Revenues*

Character Limit: 20

Previous FY Actual Expenses*

Character Limit: 20

Current fiscal year operating budget*

Upload your organization's current fiscal year budget, including projected expenses and revenues.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

FY2024 Budget Actuals*

Upload your organization's fiscal year 2024 budget actuals; include expenses and revenues.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

FY2024 Balance Sheet*

Upload your organization's year-end balance sheet for FY2024.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Grant Amount Request

Amount Requested*

Please list the total amount requested. One-year grant amounts range between \$5,000 - \$10,000 a year.

MDBF has a finite budget and may not be able to fund the full amount requested. If your application moves forward, MDBF staff will work with your organization to determine the actual requested amount. Please know there is no penalty for requesting the maximum amount at the LOI stage. We are not using the requested amount information to make decisions about which applications will move forward.

Character Limit: 20

Additional Information

Board of Directors List*

Upload a list of your organization's board members.

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