



GRANTS APPLICATION

Les Dames d'Escoffier Grant for Non-Profit Organizations that Train Women for Careers in the Food and Beverage Industries – 2012

Les Dames d'Escoffier is an international culinary society whose members are professional women in the fields of food, wine, other beverages, nutrition and the arts of the table. The organization strives to further the knowledge, education and appreciation of all aspects of food and beverage for both its members and the community. Its aim is to support women in related professions and to develop a networking system to broaden the opportunities available to women.

Les Dames d'Escoffier works to assist women interested in food-related work and to influence the hospitality, food and beverage service industries to grant equal opportunity and equal compensation to women.

Funds distributed through this Grants program are raised by Les Dames d'Escoffier and are designated to benefit women preparing for careers in food and beverage. Grants up to \$5,000.00 will be given to support programs at non-profit organizations such as community groups, schools, food banks and soup kitchens that train women to enter the food and beverage industries. Organizations need not necessarily serve women exclusively, but the proposed project must be targeted to benefit women interested in food and beverage jobs.

Funding may be requested for a variety of activities such as developing or expanding a program, purchasing equipment or materials, hiring experts to conduct training, or supporting women newly entering the job market in the field of food and beverages.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

The completed application is due by March 15, 2012.

Decisions will be announced by the Board of Directors of Les Dames d'Escoffier in May 2012.

Grants will be awarded at the Spring General Meeting between May 15 and June 15, 2012.



How to Apply

I. Please complete and attach a cover page to the front of the proposal with the following information:

- Name of Organization
- Name of Executive Director
- Name of Project Coordinator
- Names of Members of the Board of Directors
- Address of Organization
- Phone Number
- Fax Number
- E-mail address
- Website Address
- Date
- Signature of Executive Director
- Signature of Project Director

II. Proposal Narrative (maximum of 6 pages)

- Background description of organization (goals and description, history, activities, etc.)
- Budget and anticipated funding for 2012/2013
- Sources of funding
- Other grants received and/or expected
- Statement of need
- Project description
- Overall project goal
- Specific objectives
- Specific ways women benefit from project or program
- Project feasibility
- Implementation plan
- Project evaluation strategy

As part of the project description, please answer any of the questions that are relevant:

1. In what way is this an educational or "self-help" project?
2. Who will be eligible to participate in the project
3. How will women benefit from this project?
4. How does the problem fit into the overall programs and purposes of the organization?
 5. What are the major obstacles to the program's success?
 6. How will the project be evaluated?
 7. How will you know if the project succeeds?
 8. How will results be monitored?
 9. Will this be a continuing project?
 10. How will the beneficiaries of the project be involved in its implementation?

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Washington, D.C. Chapter

III. Budget

Please include the following:

Itemized project budget

Other sources of funding anticipated for this project

Organization's annual budget

IV. Proof of 501(c)(3) or (4) Status

V. Supporting materials (newspaper articles about the organization for the need for this project)

Checklist

Cover Letter

Proposal Narrative

Budget

Proof of 501(c)(3) or (4) Status

Supporting materials

NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT PUT APPLICATION IN A BINDER

Please send the application to:

Les Dames d'Escoffier – Washington DC

Grants Chair

P.O. Box 1617

Washington, DC 20013