

MAR Charitable Foundation

Grant Procedures

Grant Program Overview:

The Charitable Foundation's Board of Trustees created this program in 2000 to encourage REALTOR® support for local non-profit groups and their initiatives to provide affordable housing, shelter and other emergency care services within the Commonwealth.

Each local REALTOR® association in Massachusetts is able to nominate charitable organizations (501(C)(3)s) from their jurisdictional area for a monetary grant from the Foundation. Grants are awarded in the spring and fall of each calendar year.

Application Acceptance:

- Applications must be completely filled out.
- Application preference is for Massachusetts organizations helping Massachusetts residents.
- Associations may submit multiple applications.
- An organization may apply and may receive grants during consecutive years.
- Only one grant per calendar year is awarded to an organization.
- All additional charitable supporting paperwork must be included with application.
- It is preferred that requesting organization has an established relationship with a local REALTOR® board and that REALTORS® are actively involved with requesting organization.
- Housing, homelessness, hunger and disaster relief have been the focus of the Foundation.
- A copy of a document from the Internal Revenue Service must be attached to the application for the application to be considered by the Trustees.

Application Format:

- Applications is a fill in the blank form.
- Online application limitations.
- Hard copy word doc accepted.

Application Deadline and Review Process:

- Applications are accepted for spring and fall grants.
- MAR Staff will notify local associations of grant application deadlines.
- MAR Staff will email all grant applications to Trustees for review.
- Upon receipt of all applications, Trustees will have 7 days to review in preparation for charitable meeting.
- Trustees will rank applications prior to Charitable Meeting.
- Trustees will recommend monetary award amounts to selected grant winners.
- No funds shall be expended without a majority vote of the Trustees.