



Culinary Grant Application

2019 Grant Process & Application

MISSION:

The Austin Food & Wine Alliance is a nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering awareness and innovation in the Central Texas culinary community through grants, educational programming and events. Guided by an all-volunteer board of directors and committees made up of culinary- and community-minded professionals, the Alliance's commitment is to promote Texas food, wine, spirits and craft brews and to increase appreciation of Texas' culinary impact.

Since 2012, the Austin Food & Wine Alliance has awarded \$252,500 to selected organizations and individuals for the purpose of culinary innovation that contributes to the Austin and/or Central Texas community.

In 2019, the Austin Food & Wine Alliance will award \$70,000 in increments of \$2,500-\$15,000 to selected organizations/individuals for the purpose of culinary innovation that contributes to the Austin and/or Central Texas community.

GRANT ELIGIBILITY:

Grant recipients must meet the following criteria:

- If you've previously applied for a grant and you weren't funded, you can apply again
- If you've applied previously and have been funded, you can apply again for a new project unrelated to the original project that was funded
- Food and beverage artisans, producers, culinary professionals or represent a culinary/food-focused nonprofit serving the Austin and/or Central Texas community
- Must be located in Central Texas (within the following counties) – Bastrop, Bexar, Blanco, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Comal, Gillespie, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hays, Kerr, Kendall, Lampasas, Lee, Llano, Mason, Travis and Williamson
- Must demonstrate how the grant will be used for culinary innovation in their respective fields (including wine, beer, spirits and food industry)
- Must demonstrate community giveback and/or support the initiative will have on the community
- Represent fiduciary responsibility and transparency
- Must follow the reporting and accountability guidelines
- Attend Grant Awards ceremony on December 9, 2019
- Agree to participate in PR initiatives to promote AFWA & Grant Program, if asked
- Agree to AFWA website presence and mutual promotion of AFWA & grant program
- Must provide three (3) written reference letters as to why organization or individual should receive an AFWA grant and detail the reference's relationships with the organization and/or individual. Current Referral Letters (written in 2019) are required. If all three referral letters are not included or current, application will not be considered
- If you are applying for grant funding to support your operational budget, applicant must show the business is already operating and support documents must show the business is sustainable.

GRANT REPORTING GUIDELINES:

Grantees are required to submit two performance reports updating the AFWA on the progress achieved since receiving the grant. These reports must be submitted 6 months into receiving the grant and at the one-year mark of receiving the grant and may include presentation to the AFWA Board of Directors. The final performance report will serve as a permanent record of the grantee's accomplishments. These reports will provide information to the grant committee and staff as they evaluate the significance and impact of the AFWA grants.

All information submitted as part of the grant reporting process will remain confidential. All Grant Committee members and the Grant Selection Committee have signed non-disclosure agreements.

Tax ID Number *

Legal Name of Your Organization *

Tell us about your project and why you should receive this grant. *

Maximum of 150 words. *Currently Used: 0 words.*

Please list project name *

What grant amount are you requesting?

(Not to exceed \$15k) *

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Dollars Cents

Tell us what you would do with a lesser amount of funding. Provide funding options for what you can do with a lesser amount of funding if your top funding request is not awarded. Please provide specific details. *

Grant requested for (check all that apply) *

- Project Support
- Equipment Purchase
- General Operating Support
- Other

List the Geographic Area/Customer/Client Served *

List the timeframe in which the funds will be used. *

How does your project showcase culinary innovation? Be specific and include if your project is a "first" or what culinary innovation you are creating. *

Applicant Contact Information

Business/Organization Name *

Contact Name *

First Last

Position or Title in Organization *

Contact Phone Number *

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Email *

Mailing Address *

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State / Province / Region

Postal / Zip Code

Country

Physical Address (if applicable)

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State / Province / Region

Postal / Zip Code

Country

Website

Grant Request Information

Date of Request *

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Annual Operating Budget *

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Dollars

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What is your fiscal year? *

How will your project directly benefit the community? What will you do to support the Central Texas community through your project? *

Have you/the organization received any other grants in the past year? *

Required Reference Letters

In addition to all supplemental information required, all grant applicants must submit three (3) current reference letters dated 2019 detailing relationship to the business or nonprofit and explaining why the applicant should receive a grant.

Reference Letter #1 *

No file chosen

Reference Letter #2 *

No file chosen

Reference Letter #3 *

No file chosen

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