



LOI, 2022, Grant Cycle 2 (Fall)

LOI Form

Eligibility information

The information gathered in this section of the form will determine whether or not you are eligible to submit an LOI. If after answering all of the questions you do not see the "LOI information" section appear, you are not eligible to submit an LOI at this time. If you have questions about this, please contact Deborah Mueller, 713-529-7612, dmueller@jthershey.org.

Your work will be saved as a draft until submitted via the Submit button at the bottom of this form.

The Foundation carries out two regular grantmaking cycles per year: the Spring cycle (Grant Cycle 1) and the Fall cycle (Grant Cycle 2).

This LOI is for 2022 Grant Cycle 2 (Fall) and will be considered by the Foundation Board for an invitation to apply in mid-August.

Generally, we only give one grant to an organization in a year - if a grant was given to your organization in the cycle prior to this, you will need an invitation to submit an LOI. Additionally, we only consider a proposal once per year - if your organization applied last grant cycle for the work you want to propose now and was denied, you must wait until next cycle to resubmit, unless you have been invited to reapply.

The grant cycle prior to this one was 2022 Grant Cycle 1 (Spring)

(You should be able to see all of the requests submitted by your organization and the cycle in which each was submitted via your dashboard; look under the Active Requests and Historical Requests tabs. If you know your organization has applied before, but you don't see any requests displayed on your dashboard, please contact Deborah Mueller, dmueller@jthershey.org, 713-529-7612).

Prior grant cycle status*

Mark the one that is true for your organization for the 2022 Grant Cycle 1 (Spring).

Choices

- Submitted a proposal that JTHF denied for the same work to be proposed in this LOI
- Received a grant from JTHF
- None of the above

Geographic area(s) served*

The Hershey Foundation's primary area of geographic focus is Texas. We accept LOIs for work outside Texas by invitation only.

If the work you are proposing is not in any of the listed areas, but you feel it will align strongly with the Foundation's goals, please contact Elizabeth Love (elove@jthershey.org).

Please select the region(s) your proposal is intended to impact from the list below.

Choices

- Greater Houston
- Central Texas State of Texas
- Other

(Character Limit: 250)

If you marked the "Other" box in the previous question, please indicate the area served here.

Focus area this proposal most serves*

The Jacob and Terese Hershey was founded with the purpose of providing funding towards five specific focus areas, listed here. Please select the focus area that this proposal most serves (further information about our focus areas can be found on our website).

For work related to community parks and animal care facilities, the Foundation directs funding to the greater Houston and central Texas regions, and accepts LOIs for efforts outside these regions by invitation only. If you have a question about these geographies, please contact Elizabeth Love (elove@jthershey.org).

Choices

1. Preservation, conservation and defense of natural resources
2. a) Parks and open space - Community park
2. b) Parks and open space - Other
3. Care facilities for domestic and wild animals and birds
4. Environmental education
5. Reproductive rights and family planning

Invited by (this section only displays if questions answered above indicate you are ineligible to apply)

Were you invited to submit an LOI?*

Choices

- Yes
- No

Invited by *(Character Limit: 250)*

If you were invited to submit an LOI, please provide the name of the person at the Foundation who invited you. (Please press the <tab> key or click your mouse outside of the field after typing your answer to access the LOI)

LOI Information *(this section only displays if questions answered above indicate you are eligible to apply)***Proposal title*** *(Character Limit: 100)*

Provide a brief title that reflects the purpose of your proposal. Please consider the following convention for your title: "Toward mobilizing support for clean air policies," "Toward providing outdoor education for youth," "Toward operating support for the animal shelter," etc.

General inquiry* *(Character Limit: 5000)*

In **one to three brief paragraphs**, please describe the mission and work of your organization, what you are seeking to achieve with grant funding and why you are seeking funds now. Please keep in mind that the audience may include both Foundation board and staff members. (Please note that we appreciate brevity and succinctness where possible. The character limit of 5,000 is the maximum allowable, rather than a target.)

Is this a fiscally sponsored proposal?*

Fiscal sponsorship is when a person or group that doesn't have tax exempt status (the sponsored project) works with an organization that does (the fiscal sponsor) so as to receive tax exempt donations and grants for the sponsored project. If the work you are requesting funding for is not a program or project initiated by the organization applying for the funding, then it is likely a fiscally sponsored project. Please contact Deborah Mueller (dmueller@jthershey.org, 713-529-7612) if you have questions or need to discuss.

Choices

- Yes
- No
- I'm unsure

Have you been in contact with any board or staff members of the Foundation?* *(Character Limit: 250)*

If you have communicated with any members of the board or staff of the Foundation regarding this proposal, please provide their name(s) here. If not, enter "No".

Years of support*

Do you anticipate requesting more than one year of support for this proposal?

Choices

- No
- Yes

Range of amount to be requested* (*Character Limit: 250*)

Please provide an estimate or range of the amount you anticipate requesting. If you intend to request more than one year's funding, please indicate the annual amounts.

What to expect next:

You will receive an automated email notice from administrator@grantinterface.com when your LOI has been received into our online system; you may want to whitelist the address to ensure you receive communications related to your request. If we have any questions or need further info, we'll let you know. You will hear from us by Monday, August 29th, 2022, with either an invitation to apply or our regrets.

Not currently eligible (this section only displays if questions answered in the "Eligibility information" and "Invited by" sections indicate you are ineligible to apply)

You are not currently eligible to apply; please press the Abandon Request button at the bottom left of this form. Thank you for your interest.

If you have questions regarding eligibility, please contact Deborah Mueller, 713-529-7612, dmueller@jthershey.org.