



Monadnock United Way Funding Eligibility Requirements

To be included for partnership with Monadnock United Way (MUW), an applicant or lead organization for a collective must meet all eligibility requirements, as described below. A nonprofit organization's affiliation or partnership with MUW is at the sole discretion of MUW, and we reserve the right to exclude from partnership any organization that fails to demonstrate and maintain sound organizational management practices, adequate capacity to deliver programs and services, or appropriate stewardship of resources.

The applicant for funding must:

- Have been in operation for a minimum of three years.
- Be an incorporated nonprofit organization under the laws of the state of NH and has tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service code.
- Have a Board of Directors that is an active, representative voluntary governing body, with regular meetings and is responsible for developing its mission, determining its strategic direction and providing oversight.
- Have a current* strategic plan, or the ability to complete a plan within one year of receipt of funding.
- Have proof of adequate liability insurance coverage for the agency and will indemnify MUW, its volunteers and staff from any and all liability for any damage or injury caused to any employee, client, patron, agency, visitor or guest of the agency.
- Be able to submit, when requested, an audit (financial review if budget is less than \$500,000) prepared by an independent certified public accountant in compliance with generally accepted auditing standards as applied to nonprofit organizations.
- Comply with the provisions of the U.S.A. Patriot Act.
- Have substantial** presence and programming in the geographic area covered by MUW (see communities covered by MUW at www.muw.org).
- Have identified projects or programs that fall within the scope of one or more of MUW's investment strategies.
- Adhere to the MUW funding agreement including all documentation and reports by established deadlines.
- Must comply with applicable federal, state and municipal laws and regulations.
- Have a policy and demonstrate a practice of non-discrimination as it relates to the operation of the organization, including service delivery, on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, gender, age, national origin, physical or mental health, sexual orientation or any characteristic protected by law.
- Not extend the MUW funding to civic, religious or political institutions, school fundraisers, capital campaigns, reserves or endowments, sponsorships or event fundraisers or sports events.
- Have the ability to leverage other resources to achieve the plan.

* *Current is defined as a plan that is completed/updated within the past 3-5 years.*

** *Substantial local presence is defined as a staffed facility, office or portion of a residence dedicated exclusively to that organization, available to partners of the public seeking its services or benefits. The facility must be open at least 15 hours a week and have a telephone dedicated exclusively to the organization. The office may be staffed by volunteers.*