



**BERRIEN**  
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# Grants at a Glance

## 2025 Deadlines and Guidelines

For more information, visit [www.berriencommunity.org/grants](http://www.berriencommunity.org/grants)

### Berrien Community Foundation For Good Grants

**Deadline:** April 1  
October 1  
*Limit one per year*

**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), religious organizations, units of government or schools in Berrien County.

**How to apply:** Start at [www.berriencommunity.org/forgood](http://www.berriencommunity.org/forgood)

### BCF Golden Acorn Classroom Mini Grants

**Deadline:** June 1  
December 1  
*Limit one per year*

**Who is eligible:** Berrien County teachers or other school professionals (such as speech therapists, counselors, etc.)

**How to apply:** Start at [www.berriencommunity.org/gaclassroom](http://www.berriencommunity.org/gaclassroom)

### Stephen E. Upton Love Your Community Grant

**Deadline:** June 1

**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), religious organizations, units of government or schools in Berrien County.

**How to apply:** Submit a letter of intent for initial step by visiting [www.berriencommunity.org/lovecommunity](http://www.berriencommunity.org/lovecommunity)

### Alamar Nonprofit Sustainability Grant

**Deadline:** May 1

**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations serving Berrien County.

**How to apply:** Submit a letter of intent for initial step at [www.berriencommunity.org/alamar](http://www.berriencommunity.org/alamar)

### William J. Deputy Grants

**Deadline:** December 1

**Who is eligible:** Municipalities in Harbor Country for projects benefiting their residents. Agencies partnering with these municipalities are also encouraged to apply.

**How to apply:** Start at [www.berriencommunity.org/deputy](http://www.berriencommunity.org/deputy)

### Carolyn's Kids Grants

**Deadline:** July 1

**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), religious organizations, units of government or schools in Berrien County focusing on improving the lives of Benton Harbor, St. Joseph or Stevensville children.

**How to apply:** Visit [www.berriencommunity.org/ckapp](http://www.berriencommunity.org/ckapp)

***More grant opportunities on the other side!***

## Howard Facilities Grant

**Deadline:** November 1  
**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), religious organizations, units of government or schools in Berrien County who are planning activities for Berrien County residents of any age as long as programs occur at a Howard facility.  
**How to apply:** Visit [www.berriencommunity.org/howardendowment](http://www.berriencommunity.org/howardendowment)

## Howard Youth Grant

**Deadline:** November 1  
**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), religious organizations, units of government or schools doing activities for Berrien County youth living in St. Joseph or Benton Harbor. It is not required to use a Howard facility.  
**How to apply:** Visit [www.berriencommunity.org/howardyouth](http://www.berriencommunity.org/howardyouth)

## Frederick S. Upton Foundation Grants

**Deadline:** March 15  
June 15  
October 15  
**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), religious organizations, units of government or schools in Berrien County.  
**How to apply:** To request an application, email [uptonfoundation@berriencommunity.org](mailto:uptonfoundation@berriencommunity.org)

## BIG IDEA Grant from Frederick S. Upton Foundation

**Deadline:** April 1  
**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), religious organizations, units of government or schools in Berrien County.  
**How to apply:** Submit a letter of intent for initial step at [www.berriencommunity.org/uptonbigidea](http://www.berriencommunity.org/uptonbigidea)

## Heart of Cook Grant

**Deadline:** TBD  
**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations (501(c)(3)), units of government, religious organizations, or schools in the AEP service area (SW Michigan and NW Indiana).  
**How to apply:** Visit [www.berriencommunity.org/HOC](http://www.berriencommunity.org/HOC)

**For more information or to start the application process, visit:**  
**[www.berriencommunity.org/grants](http://www.berriencommunity.org/grants)**

**NOTE:** Most grant applications have moved to GoApply, which is an application portal we're using to facilitate the grant application process. You will need to log in or create an "Organization" account in order to access applications. If applying for the Golden Acorn Classroom Mini Grant, applicants will need to create an "Individual" account.

**Have questions? We're happy to help!**  
Give us a call at (269) 983-3304.

