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# Grants at a Glance

## 2026 Deadlines and Guidelines

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

### Berrien Community Foundation For Good Grants

**Deadline:** March 1  
August 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  
October 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/alar](http://www.berriencommunity.org/alar)

### The Joseph & Rosemary Low Family Foundation

**Deadline:** May 1

**Who is eligible:** Nonprofit organizations 501c3, religious organizations, units of government or schools serving in Berrien County.

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

### 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:** June 30  
**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:** June 30  
**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:** June 9  
**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)

## William J. Deputy Grants

**Deadline:** October 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)

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

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