

Welcome Week Grant Program

ACT for Alexandria

Overview & Instructions

Welcome!

Google Translate is available in this grants management system and we encourage organizations to complete this letter of intent in their preferred language. Click on “Select Language” arrow in upper left corner and select your preferred language to complete the application. Please note that language line assistance is available by calling 703-739-7778 during ACT's operating hours of Mon-Fri, 9:00am - 5:00pm.

Last year, ACT for Alexandria completed its strategic plan, led by a diverse, community-led planning team. One of the themes that came up was the importance of belonging. To help us understand how ACT might play a role in fostering a feeling of belonging for all Alexandrians, we joined a community of practice led by CFLeads and Welcoming America. Through this program, ACT is seeking to identify ways to support a community where everyone can truly thrive and feel like they belong.

Our goal is to foster connections, collaboration and belonging for everyone – whether they are a newcomer, recent immigrant or someone who has lived here for generations. In celebration of our 20th Anniversary, ACT will be offering \$20,000 in grants for activities, events or projects supporting welcoming and belonging to be carried out during Welcoming America’s Welcoming Week – September 13-22, 2024. This initiative is not merely about hosting events; it is about nurturing a sense of community and connection. We anticipate these grants will serve as a chance for dialogue, understanding, mutual respect and celebrating our community’s diversity.

Funding Priorities:

- We are seeking to fund activities/events/projects conducted by 501c3 organizations (or those with fiscal sponsors) that are:
- Bringing together community members from all backgrounds (immigrant and non-immigrant) - fostering connections, collaboration and bridge building
- Engaging community members in co-creating the activities/events/projects
- Reflective of the racial and ethnic diversity of the Alexandria community and focus on understanding and celebrating cultural diversity (taking into consideration cultural sensitivity and respect for the traditions and values of communities)

- Taking place during Welcoming Week – September 13 - 22

We plan to award ten grants of up to \$2,000 each. Applications will open on June 20 and close on July 18.

For more information about ACT's upcoming grant opportunities, visit Grant Opportunities or email grants@actforalexandria.org or 703-739-7778.

Organization Profile Information

Organization Name*

Character Limit: 250

Organization EIN*

An employer identification number (EIN) is a nine-digit number assigned by the IRS.

Please enter a whole number and do not use a dash when entering your EIN. This will cause an error message disrupting your ability to submit your entry.

Character Limit: 250

Primary Contact Name*

Character Limit: 250

Phone Number*

Please share your preferred contact number in a numerical format only. Please do not include dashes or parenthesis.

Character Limit: 250

Email Address*

Character Limit: 250

Application Questions

Name of Project*

Character Limit: 100

Organizational Overview*

Share a brief description of your organization and the population (race and ethnicity and geographic areas) you serve in Alexandria.

Character Limit: 700

Promoting Inclusivity and Belonging*

How does your project advance welcoming and foster a deeper belonging for all in Alexandria?

Character Limit: 700

Alignment of Project with Organizational Mission and Values*

How does this project align with your organization’s mission and values?

Character Limit: 700

Project Description*

Briefly describe the project, the design process, location, participants, number of anticipated attendees, date, etc.

Character Limit: 700

Project Marketing & Outreach*

How will you promote this project?

Character Limit: 700

Amount Requested (up to \$2,000)*

Character Limit: 20

By checking the boxes below and submitting this application, I agree to the following:

Project Date & Location*

Choices

This project will take place in Alexandria sometime during Welcoming Week – September 13 -22, 2024.

Project Media*

Choices

I agree to share photos and/or video (if applicable) of this project with ACT for Alexandria.

Project Outreach*

Choices

I will post this project on the Welcoming Week website.