

Local Guidelines for Grants and Other Resources for **Chicago region:**

<p>Are unsolicited grants accepted or do I need an invitation code?</p>	<p>Prior to submitting a full grant proposal, please complete a letter of intent (LOI) by filling out the attached Word document and sending it to ChicagoGlobalCorpCitizenship@boeing.com during the LOI period for the focus area to which the grant applies. The Chicago GCC team will contact you prior to the formal deadline with more questions or invite you to submit a formal online CyberGrants application. Get the LOI by clicking here.</p> <p>Get the formal online CyberGrants application here (www.cybergrants.com/boeing/US).</p>																
<p>If I need an invitation code, how do I acquire one?</p>	<p>While no invitation code is required for the formal CyberGrants application, successfully completing the LOI process increases the likelihood of a project being funded.</p>																
<p>Do you accept proposals only during specific timeframes or may I apply at anytime?</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="779 537 1976 794"> <thead> <tr> <th>Focus Areas</th> <th>LOI Period</th> <th>CyberGrants Deadline (if invited to apply)</th> <th>Award Announced</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Education, Environment</td> <td>December 1 – January 31</td> <td>February 28</td> <td>May 31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Arts and Culture</td> <td>March 1 – April 30</td> <td>May 31</td> <td>August 31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Health and Human Services, Civic</td> <td>June 1 – July 31</td> <td>August 31</td> <td>November 30</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>If a deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, the application will be due on the next business day.</i></p> <p>All charitable sponsorship requests for benefits, galas and fundraisers are due by September 30th for any events occurring in the subsequent calendar year. Decisions are made once we have received budget confirmation (usually around January 31st). Organizations receiving an outcomes-based grant will have a lower priority for receiving an event sponsorship in the same year. Get the Sponsorship Request Questionnaire by clicking here.</p>	Focus Areas	LOI Period	CyberGrants Deadline (if invited to apply)	Award Announced	Education, Environment	December 1 – January 31	February 28	May 31	Arts and Culture	March 1 – April 30	May 31	August 31	Health and Human Services, Civic	June 1 – July 31	August 31	November 30
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<p>What is the average size of your cash grants?</p>	<p>Our grants vary greatly in size. We base our award levels on the alignment (to focus area objectives) and merit of each individual grant request.</p>																
<p>Which of the five Boeing focus areas does your site support? Boeing: Corporate Focus Areas/Objectives</p>	<p>We accept proposals in all five Boeing focus areas.</p>																
<p>Does your local grantmaking concentrate on specific issues within the focus areas? Boeing: Corporate Focus Areas/Objectives</p>	<p>The Chicago GCC team works within the five enterprise-wide focus areas/objectives to develop a site-specific plan tailored to the particular needs of the Chicago Metro area. We leverage multiple resources of The Boeing Company (e.g., in-kind and cash donations, volunteer support, etc.).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Education, we focus exclusively on professional development for teachers and improving school leadership. For early education we focus that development on formal and informal caregivers. • When investing in the area of Environment, we look for programs that facilitate the 																

	<p>development of integrated plans to address regional concerns and train citizens to protect and conserve the environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Health and Human Services we promote the economic well-being and health of our communities' most vulnerable residents seeking specific, measurable outcomes through innovative social enterprises and projects that improve the access and efficiency of health and human services. • In Arts and Culture, we invest in programs that promote participation in arts and cultural activities. We fund performances and exhibitions that introduce new voices and perspectives to our community as well as partnerships that create a more sustainable arts and cultural environment. • In our Civic investments, we focus on increasing public understanding of and engagement in the processes and issues that affect our communities, specifically as they relate to our focus areas, i.e., programs related to conservation/sustainability, community building, scientific literacy/uses of technology, cultural, ethnic and religious diversity, and importantly, strengthening the democratic process. <p>Overall, we base our charitable investment decisions on expected results that provide the maximum benefit to and for the community, that meet real needs in the short run but can have broader positive effects beyond the time of our involvement. To find those investments, we use a competitive process that looks first at a program's expected results and next for demonstrations of what we believe are the hallmarks of good community investments. Specifically, grant requests are evaluated on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alignment with our company values and core competencies • Clearly defined expected outcomes, relative to community needs, that are measurable, scalable, and have a sustainable impact on the community beyond the period of the company's involvement • The extent to which the project or program demonstrates innovation, collaboration, leadership, precision and diversity • The organization's financial viability, programmatic strength, and legal compliance. <p>Visit http://www.boeing.com/companyoffices/aboutus/community/chicago/index.html for additional information.</p>
<p>Do you accept requests for in-kind donations and if so, what do you generally donate?</p>	<p>Yes, we accept in-kind proposals. We generally provide in-kind volunteer support as well as computer equipment donations. CyberGrants requests for items like laptop computers can be made online (http://www.cybergrants.com/boeing/inkind) using invitation code: inkind345.</p>
<p>May I apply for multiple Boeing resources? (Corporate Cash Grants, Employees Community Fund (ECF), Business Sponsorships, Employee Volunteers, etc.)</p>	<p>Yes, you may request various types of Boeing support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The information in these guidelines is for Boeing corporate charitable support. Use the LOI for outcomes-based grant requests, and the Sponsorship Request Questionnaire for benefits, galas and fundraiser event requests. (See links above.) • Visit http://www.boeing.com/companyoffices/aboutus/community/chicago/bic_about.html for information on Boeing's Employees Community Fund (ECF).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit http://www.boeing.com/companyoffices/aboutus/sponsorship/index.html for information on business-related sponsorships. • See above for information on in-kind support.
May I request employee volunteer support regardless of whether or not I request a cash grant?	Yes. Visit http://www.boeing.com/companyoffices/aboutus/community/chicago/bic_overview.html for information on Boeing in Community (BIC).
How do I submit a request for a Boeing executive to serve on my organization's board of directors?	We invite you to complete and submit a Board Request Questionnaire by clicking here . The Chicago Global Corporate Citizenship team will review the questionnaire and contact you with more questions and/or discuss with you the appropriate executive for the position. Please note that our executives are in considerable demand and placement is highly competitive.
If I call or email with general questions, how soon may I expect a response?	In general, we try to reply within 24-48 hours on business days. Please note that if you are seeking a corporate cash grant, you must first complete and submit the LOI in the first row above. LOIs are generally reviewed within 10 business days.
Once I submit my grant application, when will I be notified of a decision?	See award dates above.
What is the preferred method for contacting my GCC Representative?	If organizations have additional questions or need more guidance after reviewing these guidelines, email ChicagoGlobalCorpCitizenship@boeing.com .