

Eligibility for Funding

To be eligible for United Way funding through the Community Impact Partner Fund or other means, organizations must demonstrate that they are able to meet all of the following requirements.

The entity must:

- Be an entity that operates for charitable purposes in the area of health and human services;
- Be incorporated and actively conducting business for at least two years at the time of application and serving residents of one of the five counties in the United Way of East Central Iowa service area (Benton, Cedar, Iowa, Jones, Linn);
- Be governed by an active, nonsectarian, voluntary board of directors or its equivalent, consisting of members of the general community;
- Maintain at least one half-time FTE staff (20 hours per week);
- Receive a positive review by United Way Accountability Review Team;
- Submit all application materials complete and on time.

In reviewing applications for funding, preference will be given to those who also:

- Demonstrate a well-developed and implemented outcome measurement system and demonstrated track record in the focus area for which they are applying for funding;
- Have two or more years of measurable results which align with the United Way of East Central Iowa Priorities;
- Possess reasonably diverse and sustainable funding sources.

All applicants must read, agree to sign, and meet all applicable provisions of the partner agency agreement and standards including Accountability Review requirements. If an entity is currently funded by the United Way, they must be in compliance with all Partner Agency Standards and Reporting Requirements at the time of submitting their new application.

Applicants who do not meet all, but do meet most of the requirements are still encouraged to apply.

Late or incomplete requests for funding will not be considered.