

United Way of Central Illinois

Education: Procedure and Key Dates

Helping children learn, achieve, and succeed while engaging families and communities



The funding processes of United Way of Central Illinois are outlined and guided by the Community Investment Policies and Procedures document. All programs are asked to review this document in order to understand the process fully.

Please review the dates below very carefully. Missing a deadline will preclude an organization and its program(s) from applying.

To aid the process, United Way will offer two types of *Intent to Apply* meetings made available for interested applicants to attend. One meeting will be held in-person and the other style will be a series of three webinars. While it is optional to attend, it is advised that all applicants participate in one of these meetings.

Key Dates

Activity	Date
Release of RFA	December 20, 2017
(Optional) Intent to Apply Meetings/Grant Orientations	<p>Option 1 (In-Person Training):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to UW funding, policies and procedures, and eligibility • E-Cimpact: Registering and navigating the grant portal • Reviewing the sample application and narrative response checklist <p>Thursday, December 28, 2017 from 3:30-5:00 PM-OR- Thursday, January 11, 2018 from 11:00 AM-12:30 PM Hosted at United Way of Central Illinois</p> <p>Option 2 (Webinars, please RSVP to khays@uwcil.org):</p> <p>Introduction to UW funding, policies and procedures, and eligibility Wednesday, December 27, 2017 from 9:00-9:30 AM</p> <p>E-Cimpact: Registering and navigating the grant portal Tuesday, January 2, 2018 from 4:00-4:30 PM</p> <p>Reviewing the sample application and narrative response checklist Thursday, January 4, 2018 from 10:00-10:30 AM</p>
Organization/Financial Review and Initial Measurement Selection	Documents must be submitted by January 10, 2018 in e-CImpact (option 1) Documents must be submitted by January 17, 2018 in e-CImpact (option 2)
Invitation to Submit Application	To be distributed by January 19, 2018 (option 1) To be distributed by January 26, 2018 (option 2)
Application Deadline	February 16, 2018
Invitation to Program Interview Round	To be distributed by March 26, 2018
Question Responses Due	April 4, 2018
Program Interviews	April 11, 2018
Award Notifications	June 2018

Selection Process

All applicants successfully completing the organization/financial review process will receive an invitation to submit their full application. **A sample application has been included online for your review and to begin formulating responses.** Applications will be scored based on the criteria outlined online. At the discretion of the Vision Council, programs may be eliminated upon initial review and vote by the Vision Council. The remaining programs may be requested to address additional questions in advance of the scheduled program interview for the Vision Council. The Vision Council will finalize and submit its recommendation to the United Way Board of Directors in June of 2018.