

NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR ACCESSIBLE GOLF/USGA GRANT FAQ'S

The following is a list of questions most asked by grant applicants and others interested in learning more about our grant program. Applicants are encouraged to contact Alliance staff with additional questions.

1. Who is eligible to apply for a grant?

Organizations that are currently recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a public charity under Sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended are eligible. In addition, governmental entities as defined under Section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, are eligible.

2. How often are grant decisions made?

The Grant Review Committee meets on a rolling basis as needed. There are no application deadlines

3. Specifically, what are some examples of programs that have received funding in the past?

The Alliance maintains a list of programs funded, including the amount of funding and a brief explanation of the grant purpose on its website at www.accessgolf.org. In addition, the website contains application materials and other pertinent information and guidelines that are useful for applicants.

4. What activities/items are “allowable costs” in a grant award?

The program is primarily a source for startup funds and support for programs with a primary focus on assisting in growing the game of golf by including individuals with disabilities in the fabric of the game and of their community. Allowable costs for grant funds include instruction, course and practice area access, golf equipment, and participant transportation. Items such as food, beverage, fulltime organization staff salaries, awards, trophies and supplies are not allowed. Applicants are encouraged to contact the Grant Consultant if there are questions about allowable costs.

5. What is the process for applying-awarding of grants?

All application materials must be submitted electronically and sent by email to the Alliance grant consultation, Gary Robb, Send completed materials to accessolutions@gmail.com. Once the application is received, the applicant may receive a request for additional information and/or clarification prior to the application being reviewed by the Committee. Applicants will receive the decision of the Grant Committee shortly after review.

6. Is there a dollar amount/limit that an organization can apply for?

There is no minimum or maximum award limit. However, since funding is limited, awards will generally not exceed \$20,000. All awards are for one year from the time of award. Additionally, the Alliance grant program is focused and limited to providing start up and financial support to those deemed most in need. It is also important to know that the Committee looks at other funding that the organization may have access to. Finally, funding from the Alliance Grant Program looks at success and sustainability potential.

7. Does the Grant Committee only consider funding well established programs?

The Committee encourages applications from new and fledgling programs.

8. Are there specific types of disabilities that are not considered for support?

There is no restriction on types of disabilities considered. Generally, applicants should follow guidelines as to what consists of a disability in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Please contact the Alliance if you have questions about the eligibility of participant disabilities.

9. Are participants without disabilities allowed to be included in programs seeking funding?

The Alliance strongly encourages applications from organizations that include individuals with and without disabilities participating in programs together.

10. Will Alliance staff provide technical assistance on applications prior to submittal?

Yes. The Alliance grant consultant will be happy to assist potential applicants prior to grant application submission. Consultation with any Alliance staff will not ensure a positive funding decision by the Grant Committee.

11. Are there any reporting requirements if a grant request is awarded?

Yes. A final report is required within 15 days of the grant expiration date, one year from the award date. The report form is located on the Alliance website, and successful applicants are encouraged to review the final report requirements prior to beginning the grant funded program. Awardees are asked to track participant demographics and provide photos and video of the program in action.