



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Financial Assistance Grants are designed to support medical providers ongoing passion to give back through medical mission trips. Grants will only be awarded to providers who express having a need for financial assistance. All funds will be given directly to a charitable nonprofit organization (a "Charity") to help cover some of the program costs associated with the medical mission trip.

Financial Assistance Grant requests can be submitted anytime. All eligible grant applications will be reviewed and approved by the Making a Difference Foundation. Meeting the eligibility requirements for a Financial Assistance Grant does not guarantee that the grant will be funded.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact the [Making a Difference Foundation](#). Once you have reviewed this document, please fill out the [Financial Assistance Grant Request Form](#) on our website.

Eligibility Requirements:

- The Charity must be well-established for 2+ years, reputable, and qualified as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.
- The medical provider requesting the grant must express having a financial need that is prohibiting them from participating in a medical mission.
- Medical mission trips can have a diverse purpose including, but not limited to direct healthcare, dental or eye care, vaccinations, healthcare education, or delivery of medical supplies.
- We support and encourage trips with cultural experiences of focus on humanitarian aid; however, 80% of your time on the mission must be spent focused on healthcare education or healthcare delivery to be eligible for a Financial Assistance Grant.
- We support missions from all types of organizations; however, the sole purpose of the trip must be secular and not to proselytize for any one religious or political cause.
- Providers are eligible for one financial grant per calendar year (January 1-December 31).
- Upon returning from the medical mission trip, all providers are required to fill out a Mission Report. Content from the Mission Report may be used in marketing materials from the foundation.

Information about the Grant Program:

- The awarded grant amount will be \$500. Each provider can only receive a maximum of five Financial Assistance Grants in their lifetime.
- All applications are reviewed and approved by the Making a Difference Foundation.
- Funds are awarded no sooner than 90 days in advance of the departure date and will be given directly to the Charity.
- Funds will only be given to cover program costs. Providers must cover their own travel, vaccinations, and other trip related costs.
- There are a limited number of grants available each year. Grants are given on a first come – first served basis. Meeting the eligibility requirements for a Financial Assistance Grant does not guarantee that the grant will be funded.
- Charities cannot advertise this grant program as a way for providers to pay for their trips.
- If a provider is not able to attend the medical mission trip, they agree to do their best to get the grant funding returned to the Making a Difference Foundation.