AMERIHEALTH CARITAS FOUNDATION

2026 Funding Opportunity Information Session

April 23, 2026

Foundation Team

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Introductions

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MEET THE FOUNDATION TEAM

Introductions

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AmeriHealth Caritas Foundation Overview

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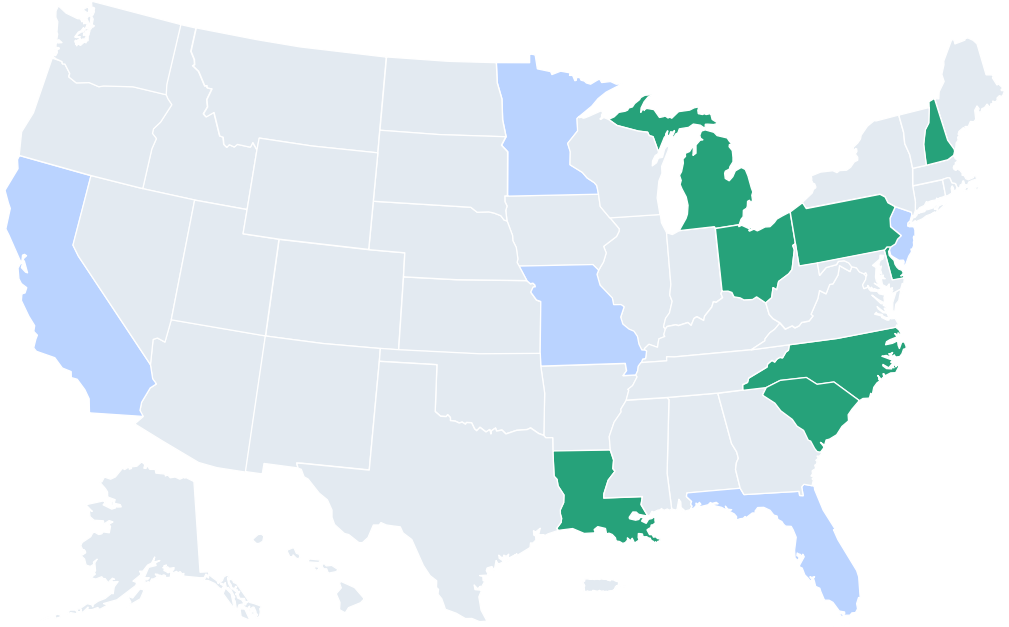
Business Segments

- **Medicaid including LTSS**
- **Behavioral Health**
- **Medicare Dual Eligibles**
- **Pharmacy Benefit Management**
- **Specialty Pharmacy**
- **Health Insurance Marketplace**

National Footprint



ACFC Medicaid Markets

Additional markets, not eligible at this time

2.6M+
Total Members[1]

~700K
Provider partners to deliver care

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MISSION

We help people get care, stay well, and build healthy communities.

VISION

To be the national leader in empowering those in need, especially the underserved and the disabled, across their full life journey, from wellness to resilience.

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AmeriHealth Caritas Foundation

- **The affiliate philanthropic arm** of the AmeriHealth Caritas Family of Companies (ACFC).
- Established in 2022 and **officially launched in 2025** with its first open grant cycle.

Since 2023, the Foundation has...

Distributed **$6.4M in grant awards**, to partner organizations in 11 states and D.C.

Awarded grants to **51 nonprofits** to support the prevention of adversities in member communities

Over **80,200 individuals supported** by grant partner projects (e.g., youth programs, family supports, and training)

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The Foundation's focus is improving the health and well-being of children through the prevention and mitigation **adverse childhood experiences (ACEs).**

- Including promoting **protective and compensatory childhood experiences** (PACEs), which can counteract the effects of ACEs and support positive outcomes.

- Aim to support a future where **more families and communities are equipped with the resources that increase protective factors** such as supportive relationships, safe neighborhoods, and economic mobility.

2025 Check presentation with grant partner, Beyond The Bars (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)

What are ACEs

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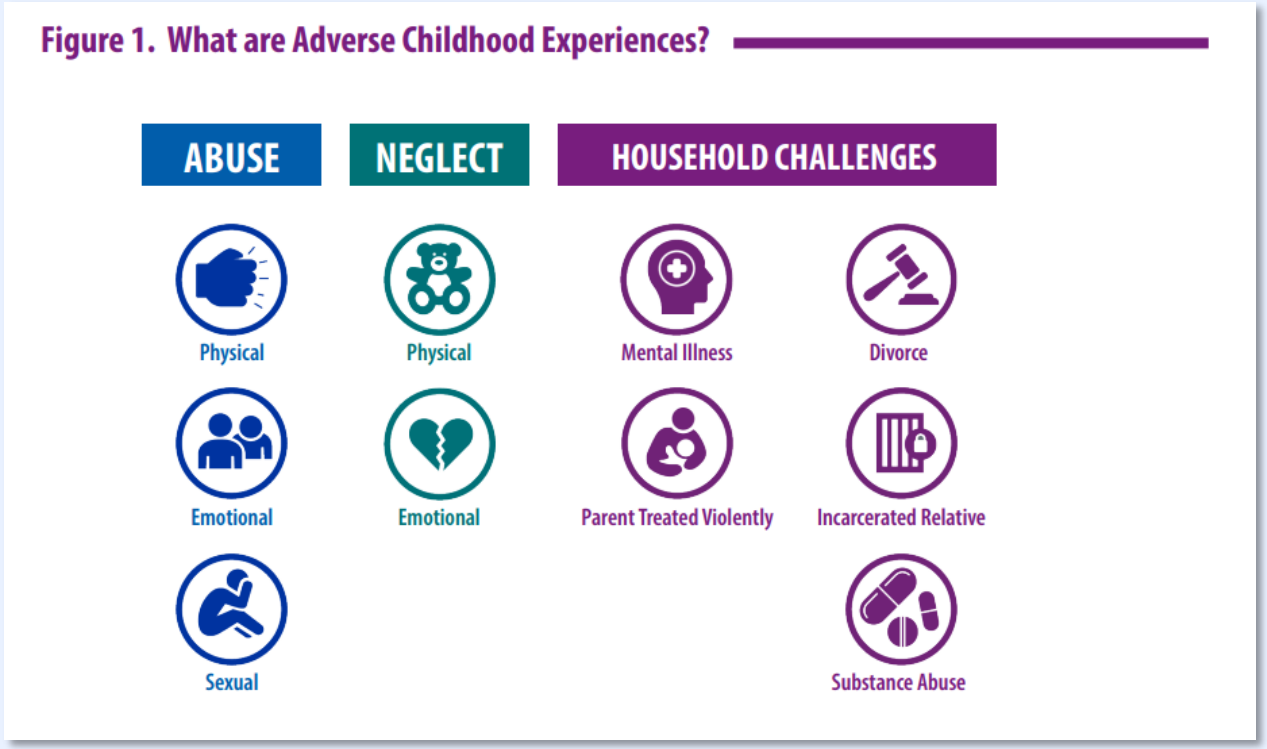
Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) are **types of adversity that impact a child's sense of stability and safety** that may result in unhealthy exposure to toxic stress including:

- **Abuse**
- **Neglect**
- **Household challenges**

Increased toxic stress levels may impact a child's physical, mental, and emotional development potentially increasing the risk of chronic health conditions, mental health conditions, and social outcomes in the long-term.



Source: Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Presentation Graphics, CDC

ACEs Prevention and Mitigation

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The CDC recommends **6 strategies that can increase protective factors** for an individual, family, and/or community such as:

- Access to economic and financial help
- Access to safe, stable housing
- Access to mental health services
- Access to medical care

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Pillars

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Empowering Families

Working to ensure families have the resources they need to thrive:

- Secure employment
- Safe communities
- Stable housing
- Access to nutritious food

Healing Behaviors

Working to ensure families can meet challenges and build well-being:

- Addressing mental health needs
- Preventing abuse and violence
- Access to behavioral health resources

Access to Health Care

Working to ensure families and expectant mothers receive equitable, high-quality services including:

- Reliable access to care
- Culturally-appropriate services

ORGANIZATIONAL APPROACH

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The Foundation partners with nonprofits that take the following approach to their work:

Asset-Based

Organizations build on existing strengths (relationships, leadership, knowledge, skills, etc.) of the communities and individuals they serve as a core strategy.

Community-Led

Organizations meaningfully includes the community in program development and decision-making.

Comprehensive & Customized

A holistic, coordinated, and tailored approach that addresses a child /family's complete set of needs, including physical, mental, emotional, and social factors either through its own direct services or through a demonstrated referral pathway.

ORGANIZATIONAL APPROACH EXAMPLES

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Asset-Based

- Employs individuals with lived experience and/or former program participants
- Have intergenerational volunteer exchanges between program participants

Community-Led

- Former participants serve on the board of directors, or an advisory board, or receive stipends for their participation in focus groups
- Participants co-create a curriculum with program facilitators

Comprehensive & Customized

- Designated staff provide one-to-one support ensuring individuals and families are connected to tailored resources including but not limited to SNAP, TANF, Medicaid, school-based services, housing supports, and mental health services

GRANT PARTNER EXAMPLE

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- Sojourner House MOMS **benefits mothers in recovery and their children** who are navigating the complex and intersecting challenges of homelessness, poverty, substance use, and mental health issues.

- This project will provide long-term **(2+ years) stable housing and wraparound services** to 64 families through permanent supportive housing and case management resulting in:
  - Improving access to mental health services
  - Job readiness and education supports
  - Family stabilization

GRANT PARTNER EXPAMPLE

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- Helping and Lending Outreach and Support (HALOS) provides **kinship caregivers** with systems navigation, connection to public benefits, legal assistance, peer support, and concrete and economic supports.
- Through a partnership with Charleston Legal Access (CLA), **CLA will offer trauma-informed legal consultations and family court representation**.
- Together, the proposed project seeks to address the "legal gap" for kinship families and promote long-term **family stability.**

GRANT PARTNER EXPAMPLE

Grantmaking Strategy

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- Reconcile New Orleans (RNO) supports young people between the ages of 16-to-24 through a **comprehensive workforce development program** through its participant-ran café.
- Participants are supported through individualized, person-centered, **asset-based case management plan** including mental health and social needs services, culminating in **post-program alumni support for one year**.
- The project will support over 300 young people participating in RNO's program.

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In 2026, the Foundation will award

- $100K to $150K grants totaling up to $2M

Grant Award Details

- One-year term
- Program/project specific (existing, expansion, or pilot)
- Funds are unrestricted in support of the program or project

StepUp Ministry, 2025 grant partner (Raleigh, NC)

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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At minimum, eligible non-profit organizations must meet all the following criteria:

- **Be a 501(c)(3)** Internal Revenue Service (IRS)-designated nonprofit organization and has received **at a minimum within the last three years** or partners with a fiscal sponsor that is designated
- Be in the U.S. where AmeriHealth Caritas operates Medicaid health plans: **DE, DC, LA, MI, NH, NC, OH, PA, SC**
- Have annual revenue between **$300,000 and $10M** for the 2025 fiscal year and projected for 2026
- Have a **2024 IRS Form 990** available or partner with a fiscal sponsor that has one
- Provide programs and supports that:
  - Are **comprehensive**, **customized**, **asset-based**, and **community-led**
  - Focus on empowering families
  - Reach communities disproportionately impacted by health and economic inequities, including those with high Medicaid participation

ANNUAL REVENUE

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Annual revenue between $300,000 - $10M

- **Includes all types of revenue**
  - Earned income
  - Philanthropic income (restricted and unrestricted)
- **Branches of local affiliates of national or regional organizations may apply if:**
  - the branch or local affiliate operates independently from the national or regional office and can clearly communicate how the branch or local affiliate operates independently and is responsive to local needs
  - the total budget for the branch or local affiliate does not exceed $10 million as listed in the organization eligibility criteria
  - overhead costs on awarded funding are not taken by the national or regional organization

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Be located in the U.S. where AmeriHealth Caritas operates Medicaid health plans: DE, DC, LA, MI, NH, NC, OH, PA, SC

- Organization **can** be located outside of eligible states if program is operational in one of the eligible states
- Organizations **cannot** be located in eligible state and have the proposed program/project operate outside of eligible states
  - ✓ Headquartered in Maine / Programming in New Hampshire
  - ✗ Headquartered in Michigan / Programming in Alabama
- The program **must be community-led** where the program is being implemented and carried out

TIMELINE

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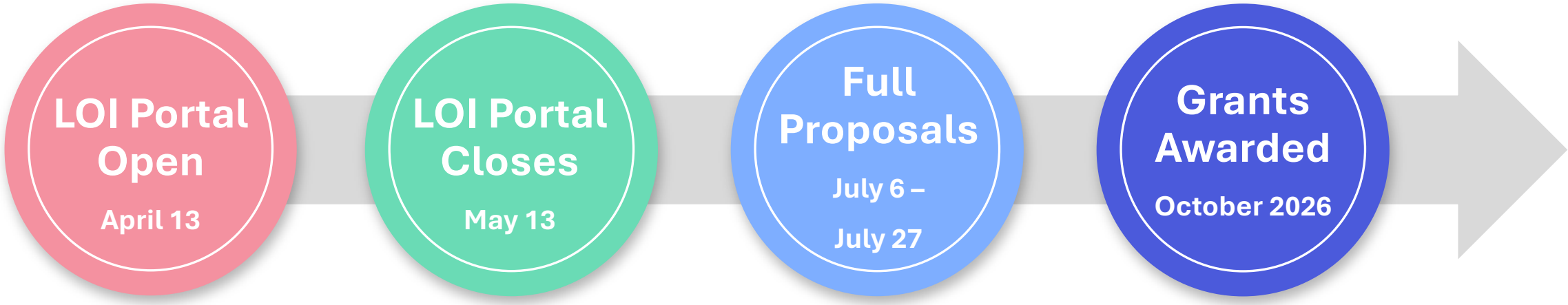
Two-Step Application Process: April 2026 – October 2026

1. Letter of Intent (LOI)
   - Organization information and brief narrative on program/project
2. Full Proposal
   - In-depth details on program/project



*Note: Timeline dates are expected and may shift

LOI PROCESS

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LOI Narrative Questions (~1,000 words)

Organization overview

- Brief description of organization's core programs and the community the organization serves
- How the organization provides comprehensive and customized support
- How the organization is asset-based and community-led
- Description of community served

Summary of proposed project

- Key objectives, activities, metrics, and intended outcomes
- How the program/project prevents and/or mitigates ACEs

LOI Review

LOIs will be reviewed with a rubric on the following:

Organization alignment

- Alignment with Foundation's purpose and goals
- How the organizations provides comprehensive and customized services to participants
- Community-led and asset-based approach
- Serves communities disproportionately impacted by health and economic inequities

Program/Project Focus

- Alignment with Empowered Families pillar
- Objectives, activities, and intended outcomes are articulated and achievable
- Project has potential to prevent/mitigate ACEs

DETAILS + EXPECTATIONS

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Grant Award Logistics

- Final decisions regarding grant awards to be communicated in early October
- Agreement between Foundation and organization to be provided via DocuSign in early October
- Upon completion of agreement documentation full payment provided via ACH in mid-to-late October

Reporting Requirements

- Interim Report (6 months)
- Final Report (12 months)

Collaboration and Communication

- Volunteer and program opportunities with AmeriHealth Caritas Family of Companies (e.g., mobile wellness unit, wellness and opportunity centers, signature programs)
- Grantee partner gatherings (virtual and/or in-person)
- Open lines of communication between Foundation and grant partners

FAQs

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- **Are organizations that previously applied, but not awarded a grant by the Foundation, eligible to apply for the 2026 cycle?**
  - Yes.
- **Are organizations that were previously awarded a grant by the Foundation eligible to apply for the 2026 cycle?**
  - Yes.
- **Will the Foundation accept more than one LOI submission from an organization?**
  - No. The Foundation is only accepting one LOI submission per organization.
- **Does the organization and proposed program/project have to provide direct services?**
  - No. Though, to be considered comprehensive the organization needs to connect individuals or families to other services (e.g., housing, counseling) if needed but does not need to provide these services themselves.

Q & A

Please put your questions in the chat.

We will respond to them in themes.

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Final Reminders

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LOI Due in Portal on May 13

- Portal closes at 11:59PM EST.
- No exceptions.

Questions

- If you have technical questions or questions about a situation unique to your organization email:

info@amerihealthcaritasfoundation.org

Website Resources

- Funding opportunity overview
- Frequently asked questions
- Information session recording