AmeriHealth Caritas Foundation 2026 Grant Funding Opportunities

AMERIHEALTH CARITAS FOUNDATION

Mission and focus areas

The AmeriHealth Caritas Foundation is dedicated to preventing and mitigating adverse childhood experiences (ACEs).[1] This mission will help drive positive outcomes for children's health and help set a stronger foundation for a lifetime of wellness. The Foundation also promotes protective and compensatory childhood experiences (sometimes referred to as "PACEs"),[2] which can counteract the effects of ACEs.

Grants are made based on three pillars:

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

Families with secure employment, stable housing, safe communities, and quality education are best positioned to nurture healthy children.

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

Families with consistent access to behavioral health resources are better able to provide safe, stable, and caring environments for children.

Access to health care: Working to ensure families receive equitable, high-quality health services

Families and expectant mothers with reliable access to culturally responsive providers, including services in their preferred language, can more readily support healthy development and increase PACEs.

To promote these pillars, the Foundation prioritizes nonprofit organizations that uplift positive experiences for families and children, equipping them for a healthy future.

Learn more about the types of projects the Foundation funds: https://www.amerihealthcaritasfoundation.org/insights/

Funding opportunities

The Foundation expects to make one-year, project-specific grants totaling up to $2 million, with awards ranging from $100,000 to $150,000.

1. "About Adverse Childhood Experiences," CDC.gov, September 24, 2025, https://www.cdc.gov/aces/about/ , accessed February 12, 2026.
2. Positive and Adverse Childhood Experiences (PACEs), State of California, California Department of Public Health, updated June 24, 2024, https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CCDPHP/DCDIC/SACB/Pages/PACEs-resources.aspx, accessed February 12, 2026.

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible, organizations must:

- Be a 501(c)(3) Internal Revenue Service (IRS)-designated nonprofit organization and has received designation within the last three years or partners with a fiscal sponsor that is designated.
- Be located in a U.S. state or territory in which AmeriHealth Caritas Medicaid health plans operate:
  - Delaware
  - District of Columbia
  - Louisiana
  - Michigan
  - New Hampshire
  - North Carolina
  - Ohio
  - Pennsylvania
  - South Carolina
- Have annual revenue between $300,000 and $10 million for the 2025 fiscal year and projected for the 2026 fiscal year.
- Have a 2024 IRS Form 990 available or partner with a fiscal sponsor that has one.
- Provide programs and support 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
- Have demonstrated capacity and experience to implement and manage projects successfully.

Application process

The Foundation has a two-step application process:

1. **Letter of intent (LOI):** The LOI helps determine which organizations will be invited to submit a full proposal. The LOI requests organization information, financial information, and a short narrative for the proposed project.
   a. Submit an LOI via GrantsConnect here: https://apply.yourcausegrants.com/apply/programs/a11afb42-00b0-40d9-a505-a0d7baa24b87
2. **Full proposal:** Organizations and projects selected based on the Foundation's focus areas are then moved to the final round of consideration. The full proposal will include in-depth information regarding the program and project as well as the budget.

LOI submissions are due May 13, 2026, and LOI decisions will be expected to be made by July 6, 2026.

Funding decisions are expected to be fully communicated by October.

Submit an LOI here:

Grant amounts, eligibility requirements, and selection criteria are subject to change at the discretion of the Foundation. Additional specifications of the grant program can be found here: **www.amerihealthcaritasfoundation.org/grants/apply.aspx**