THANKS MOM & DAD FUND®
2016 GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The 2016 Grant Cycle is currently open with a new online application process. Please read all guidelines and Frequently Asked Questions (www.thanksmomanddadfund.org/our-grants/faqs/)

Application Deadline – OCTOBER 28, 2016

Awards vary in amounts from $2,000 to $10,000 (The majority of past awards have been between $2,500 and $6,000.)

Eligibility
Eligibility for the 2016 grant cycle requires that your organization must:
- Have 501(c)(3) status from the Internal Revenue Service; and
- Provide programs and services for older adults age 55 and older and/or caregivers in the State of Georgia

Criteria
Preference in funding is given to proposals for programs and services that have a direct impact on the lives of older adults 55+ and their caregivers, and demonstrate:

Purpose
- Clearly describe the program or project and articulate how grant funds will be used to serve older adults 55+, including those at risk.
- Include innovative or proven strategies that offer creative solutions without duplicating other efforts.

Capacity
- Provide evidence of sound management and administration, including a clearly defined and effective governance structure and financial systems;
- Document capacity to mobilize resources including financial support, in-kind support, partnerships and volunteers to sustain programs where appropriate
- Demonstrate organizational expertise in delivering quality programs and services

Needs & Impact
- Provide evidence of careful planning to address community needs
- Include a statement regarding projected outcomes as a result of the grant

Sustainability
- Indicate ability and commitment to continue program when grant year ends if ongoing program

Diversity
- Provide evidence of inclusion and diversity of people of different genders, races and backgrounds in planning, program implementation, governance and organizational decision-making

Budget
- Provide a budget statement that clearly demonstrates appropriate allocation of resources. Do NOT send audits. We will request more information if needed.

Reporting Requirements
- Grant recipients must submit a final report within 12 months following the grant award