

Funding Sources – 3rd Quarter 2026

Verified opportunities and evergreen funders for nonprofits, social enterprises, public agencies, community development partners, and mission-aligned institutions planning July through September 2026 funding activity.

Use this guide as a prospecting screen, not a substitute for sponsor guidelines. Deadlines, eligibility rules, match requirements, and allowable costs can change; applicants should confirm details directly with the funder before investing proposal time.

Deadlines Approaching (Q3 2026)

The highest-value Q3 targets below emphasize clear deadline windows, mission fit, and relevance to community development, health, housing, education, arts/culture, and public-sector innovation.

[National Endowment for the Arts - Grants for Arts Projects](#)

A broad project-based arts funding program for organizations across the United States, including projects that use arts and culture to advance community engagement, education, public programming, and local vitality.

- **Funder:** National Endowment for the Arts
- **Focus:** Arts, culture, public engagement, creative placemaking, community programming
- **Eligibility:** Organizations; projects may take place in the 50 states, D.C., and U.S. jurisdictions
- **Grant Amount:** Varies by discipline and project; confirm current guidelines
- **Q3 Deadline:** Part 1 Grants.gov deadline: July 9, 2026; Part 2 NEA Applicant Portal deadline: July 21, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Strong fit for arts-based community development, neighborhood storytelling, cultural asset mapping, and civic identity projects
- **How to Apply:** arts.gov/grants/grants-for-arts-projects

[HRSA - Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program \(PMHCA\)](#)

Supports systems that help primary care providers identify, treat, and refer children and youth with behavioral health needs, with emphasis on teleconsultation, provider training, and access expansion.

- **Funder:** Health Resources and Services Administration
- **Focus:** Pediatric behavioral health, rural access, provider capacity, teleconsultation
- **Eligibility:** Domestic state, county, city, township, special district, tribal governments, and tribal organizations

- **Grant Amount:** Confirm award details in HRSA notice
- **Q3 Deadline:** July 10, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Strong fit for state and local health agencies building measurable behavioral health access models
- **How to Apply:** hrsa.gov/grants/find-funding/HRSA-26-058

HRSA - Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT) Center

Funds a national center model to strengthen coordinated care, screening, diagnosis, treatment, quality improvement, and data infrastructure for people with HHT and their families.

- **Funder:** Health Resources and Services Administration
- **Focus:** Rare disease care coordination, health outcomes, patient registry infrastructure, underserved access
- **Eligibility:** Domestic public or private entities, including tribes, tribal organizations, faith-based organizations, and community-based organizations
- **Grant Amount:** Confirm award details in HRSA notice
- **Q3 Deadline:** July 10, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Good fit for health systems, academic partners, disease-specific nonprofits, and data-driven care collaboratives
- **How to Apply:** hrsa.gov/grants/find-funding/HRSA-26-092

EDA - Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance

A core federal economic development channel supporting locally generated projects ranging from planning and technical assistance to infrastructure that improves regional competitiveness.

- **Funder:** U.S. Economic Development Administration
- **Focus:** Economic development, job creation, infrastructure, regional resilience, technical assistance
- **Eligibility:** Typically state/local governments, nonprofits, institutions of higher education, districts, and eligible regional entities; confirm by NOFO
- **Grant Amount:** Varies by project and NOFO
- **Q3 Deadline:** Rolling/NOFO-specific; review current EDA funding opportunity page before proposal development
- **Spera Fit:** Excellent fit for regional data products, economic mobility initiatives, workforce infrastructure, and public-private development strategies
- **How to Apply:** eda.gov/funding/funding-opportunities

Illinois DCEO - CDBG Public Infrastructure Program

Federal CDBG funding administered through Illinois for community-based infrastructure projects in non-metropolitan areas, with priority for water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer projects.

- **Funder:** Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
- **Focus:** Public infrastructure, public health and safety, water/sewer/stormwater systems
- **Eligibility:** Local governments in non-metropolitan Illinois communities
- **Grant Amount:** Confirm program limits in state guidelines
- **Q3 Deadline:** August 27, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Strong fit for municipal infrastructure scoring, needs assessment, capital planning, and grant-readiness analysis
- **How to Apply:** dceo.illinois.gov/aboutdceo/grantopportunities/grants.html

Illinois DCEO - CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program

Targets owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and neighborhood revitalization for low-to-moderate income households in eligible Illinois communities.

- **Funder:** Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
- **Focus:** Housing rehabilitation, neighborhood revitalization, code compliance, affordability
- **Eligibility:** Local governments in eligible Illinois communities
- **Grant Amount:** Confirm program limits in state guidelines
- **Q3 Deadline:** August 27, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Strong fit for municipal housing diagnostics, structural-needs analysis, and neighborhood investment prioritization
- **How to Apply:** dceo.illinois.gov/aboutdceo/grantopportunities/grants.html

Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta - 2026 Housing Stability Grant

Supports housing stability, homelessness services, eviction prevention, tenant stabilization, and policy/advocacy efforts related to affordable housing.

- **Funder:** Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta
- **Focus:** Housing stability, homelessness, eviction prevention, policy and advocacy
- **Eligibility:** Housing-focused organizations serving eligible Atlanta-area communities; prior applicants/grantees may be automatically considered
- **Grant Amount:** Varies
- **Q3 Deadline:** New organizations recommended by July 1, 2026; applications accepted until September 30, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Excellent fit for nonprofits needing data-backed housing need, outcomes, and impact narratives

- **How to Apply:** cfgreateratlanta.org/grant-opportunities

[Legacy Foundation of Southeast Arizona - Innovative Grants](#)

Supports population health and community wellness projects in Cochise and eastern Santa Cruz Counties, with a two-step LOI/application process.

- **Funder:** Legacy Foundation of Southeast Arizona
- **Focus:** Population health, community wellness, innovation, collaboration
- **Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations serving Cochise and eastern Santa Cruz Counties, Arizona
- **Grant Amount:** Up to \$50,000
- **Q3 Deadline:** LOI closes July 31, 2026; invited application window August 24-September 25, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Good fit for local health-equity pilots, community wellness programs, and collaborative service models
- **How to Apply:** lfsaz.org/grants

[Connecticut Community Foundation - Fall 2026 Grant Rounds](#)

Regional grant cycles include Building Equitable Opportunity, Health and Environmental Justice, and selected special funds, with several fall deadlines.

- **Funder:** Connecticut Community Foundation
- **Focus:** Equitable opportunity, health, environmental justice, nonprofit capacity, regional community needs
- **Eligibility:** Nonprofits serving the foundation's Connecticut service area; varies by grant area
- **Grant Amount:** Varies by program
- **Q3 Deadline:** September 10, 2026 for several fall programs; rolling options also available
- **Spera Fit:** Strong local fit for Connecticut nonprofits seeking measurable equity, health, or environmental impact funding
- **How to Apply:** conncf.org/supporting-nonprofits/apply-for-a-grant

[The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven - Basic Needs Fund](#)

Supports organizations addressing basic material needs in the Greater New Haven region.

- **Funder:** The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven
- **Focus:** Basic needs, human services, community support
- **Eligibility:** Nonprofits serving eligible Greater New Haven communities
- **Grant Amount:** Up to \$10,000
- **Q3 Deadline:** Opens September 1, 2026; closes September 30, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

- **Spera Fit:** Good fit for small-to-mid-size nonprofits needing crisp need statements and outcome tracking
- **How to Apply:** cfgnh.org/strengthening-nonprofits/grants-to-apply-for

Delaware Community Foundation - Delaware Communities Grant

A statewide community grant cycle for Delaware organizations, useful for organizations with local social-service, equity, education, housing, health, or community-strengthening programs.

- **Funder:** Delaware Community Foundation
- **Focus:** Community needs across Delaware; program-specific priorities vary
- **Eligibility:** Delaware nonprofits and eligible community organizations; confirm program guidelines
- **Grant Amount:** Varies
- **Q3 Deadline:** Opens July 15, 2026; closes September 15, 2026
- **Spera Fit:** Good fit for Delaware-based organizations with measurable local impact and a clear funding ask
- **How to Apply:** delcf.org/grants

North Carolina Community Foundation - County Community Grantmaking

Multiple county-level grant cycles open through July and August with deadlines extending into August and September for local projects in education, health, arts, human services, and community development.

- **Funder:** North Carolina Community Foundation and county affiliates
- **Focus:** Community development, education, health, arts, human services, local needs
- **Eligibility:** 501(c)(3) nonprofits serving participating North Carolina counties
- **Grant Amount:** Varies by county fund
- **Q3 Deadline:** County-specific cycles include July 10-August 11, July 31-September 1, and August 7-September 8 windows
- **Spera Fit:** Good fit for nonprofits that can localize outcomes by county and tie programs to community need
- **How to Apply:** nccommunityfoundation.org/nonprofits/community-grantmaking/community-grantmaking-calendar

Evergreen and Relationship-Based Funding Sources

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

- **Funding Focus:** Global health, poverty reduction, education, gender equality, and U.S. education initiatives
- **Eligibility:** Nonprofits, academic institutions, public-sector partners, and aligned intermediaries
- **Grant Amounts:** Varies by initiative
- **How to Apply / Monitor:** gatesfoundation.org

Ford Foundation

- **Funding Focus:** Social justice, civic engagement, economic equity, creativity, and rights-centered work
- **Eligibility:** Mission-aligned nonprofits and social-change organizations
- **Grant Amounts:** Varies by project
- **How to Apply / Monitor:** fordfoundation.org

Rockefeller Foundation

- **Funding Focus:** Economic opportunity, climate resilience, food systems, health, and innovation
- **Eligibility:** Nonprofits, research institutions, governments, and implementation partners
- **Grant Amounts:** Varies
- **How to Apply / Monitor:** rockefellerfoundation.org

Kresge Foundation

- **Funding Focus:** Cities, health, human services, education, environment, arts and culture, and social investment
- **Eligibility:** Primarily nonprofits aligned to program focus areas; currently check for open opportunities before pursuing
- **Grant Amounts:** Varies; open calls may not always be available
- **How to Apply / Monitor:** kresge.org/grants-social-investments/current-funding-opportunities

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

- **Funding Focus:** Health equity, health systems, public health, research, and community conditions affecting health
- **Eligibility:** Nonprofits, researchers, universities, and community partners when calls are open
- **Grant Amounts:** Varies by call; active funding page should be monitored
- **How to Apply / Monitor:** [rwjf.org/en/grants/active-funding-opportunities.html](https://www.rwjf.org/en/grants/active-funding-opportunities.html)

Walton Family Foundation

- **Funding Focus:** Education, environment, home-region economic opportunity, and systems-level change
- **Eligibility:** Generally relationship-based; formal proposals are submitted by invitation after initial alignment
- **Grant Amounts:** Varies by initiative
- **How to Apply / Monitor:** [waltonfamilyfoundation.org/grants](https://www.waltonfamilyfoundation.org/grants)

Sources and Verification Notes

The opportunities above were screened from official funder or government pages where available. Because funding windows can shift, confirm details directly before submitting.

- NEA Grants for Arts Projects: <https://www.arts.gov/grants/grants-for-arts-projects>
- NEA grant overview and Q3 application references: <https://www.arts.gov/grants>
- HRSA Find Grant Funding: <https://www.hrsa.gov/grants/find-funding>
- HRSA Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program: <https://www.hrsa.gov/grants/find-funding/HRSA-26-058>
- HRSA HHT Center: <https://www.hrsa.gov/grants/find-funding/HRSA-26-092>
- EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance / funding opportunities: <https://www.eda.gov/funding/funding-opportunities>
- Illinois DCEO grant opportunities: <https://dceo.illinois.gov/aboutdceo/grantopportunities/grants.html>
- Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta grant opportunities: <https://cfgreateratlanta.org/grant-opportunities/>
- Legacy Foundation of Southeast Arizona grants: <https://www.lfsaz.org/grants>
- Connecticut Community Foundation grant deadlines: <https://conncf.org/supporting-nonprofits/apply-for-a-grant/>
- The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven grant deadlines: <https://www.cfgnh.org/strengthening-nonprofits/grants-to-apply-for>
- Delaware Community Foundation grants: <https://delcf.org/grants/>
- North Carolina Community Foundation community grantmaking calendar: <https://www.nccommunityfoundation.org/nonprofits/community-grantmaking/community-grantmaking-calendar>
- Kresge current funding opportunities: <https://kresge.org/grants-social-investments/current-funding-opportunities/>
- RWJF active funding opportunities: <https://www.rwjf.org/en/grants/active-funding-opportunities.html>
- Walton Family Foundation grants: <https://www.waltonfamilyfoundation.org/grants>

Next Steps: Get the Funding You Need

Securing funding requires more than identifying opportunities—it requires a structured strategy. Spera Connect provides practical tools to strengthen your funding pipeline and increase your probability of success.

[Grant-Ready Impact Report Template](#)

- Turn your program data into a professional, funder-ready impact report in hours instead of weeks.
- Clearly communicate measurable outcomes and ROI.
- Strengthen grant proposals by aligning reporting with funder expectations.

[Donor Deck Cheat Sheet](#)

- Build a compelling, high-impact donor or investor presentation.
- Align your mission, metrics, and funding ask into a persuasive narrative.
- Increase conversion from interest to committed funding.

[Funding Funnel Checklist](#)

- Map your full grant pipeline—from prospecting to award.
- Identify bottlenecks and improve funding predictability.
- Institutionalize a scalable funding strategy for long-term growth.

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