



THE ARC OF KING COUNTY COMMUNITY LIVING GRANT PROGRAM INDIVIDUAL GRANT CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

Provided in Partnership with Matching Funds from the Foundation for the Challenged

GRANT-MAKING POLICY:

The Foundation For the Challenged, The Arc of Washington State and its affiliated Arc Chapters have collaborated to distribute support funds to qualified individuals with developmental disabilities. The purpose of the individual grant funding is to reduce economic or social barriers that can inhibit transitioning or maintaining a community-based quality of life.

INDIVIDUAL GRANT GUIDELINES:

The collaboration has established a **Community Living Fund of Washington** to make grants available for individuals with developmental disabilities in the state of Washington.

The Community Living Fund gives special attention to requests that assist individuals with developmental disabilities transition into community housing and for minor home improvements for ease of mobility.

The Community Living Fund does not consider grant proposals for personal needs or services covered by entitlement programs or within an individual's financial means.

To initiate the grant-making process, an individual must complete the grant application form and return by mail to the Community Living Fund of Washington. Individuals requesting grant funds must supply documentation to verify the following criteria:

- Verification of a developmental disability
- Current residence and plan for transitioning into community living
- Proof of Financial Need
- Lack of Entitlement Program Funding to cover cost of requested need

Applications without requested documentation will not be considered for funding.

DISBURSEMENT REGULATIONS:

- 1) Preceding each disbursement, the grantee must submit a written request including:
 - Amount requested
 - Purpose for using the funds
 - Name and address of payee
- 2) Grant funds will pay the vendor directly or receipt will be provided after purchase only with special permission from the Community Living Fund of Washington.
- 3) The primary purpose of the Community Living Fund is to help individuals with disabilities transition into community living. As manager of the Community Living Fund, the Foundation For the Challenged, The Arc of Washington State and its affiliated Arc Chapters maintain executive authority over all disbursements and reserve the right to deny any individual request on a discretionary basis.