Application Process
*Interested in applying for a grant?*

**Discovery**
- Read grants to peer organizations
- Read [Grant Writing](#) resources
- Read the mission of the Trust
- If something is unclear, call or email [email](#)

**Portal Login**
- Register for a Murdock trust grants portal user login
- Login to your grants portal

**Letter of Inquiry**
- Learn what should be in the [Letter of Inquiry](#)
- Submit your Letter of Inquiry

**Trust Response...**
- You will receive a response to your Letter of Inquiry
- If invited to submit a full application, move to next step
- If the answer is no, see below

**Site Visit**
Your program staff will schedule a site visit with key individuals from your organization to discuss questions on the project, leadership, the board, the plan for executing and sustaining the project, how you will determine success, and more.

**Complete Application**
- Use the [Application Planning Resources](#)
- Ask grant recipients about their applications
- Complete your application in a thoughtful and thorough manner that reflects your planning process

**Document Review**
- Staff will review your documents and request additional information needed via email
- Once the document review is satisfied your application is complete, and a program staff will be assigned to your application

**Analysis**
Program staff completes analysis of all information gathered and prepares a detailed report for peer review and Trustee decision.

**Decision**
- Trustees review all requests and make decisions
- Our current timeline is about 6-12 months from satisfying document review to decision

**The Call**
You should hear within 72 hours of the Trustee meeting about the decision on the request.

**If the answer is yes...**
- Congratulations! The official grant agreement will be sent.
- Next comes [grant administration](#)

**If the answer is no...**
It is always a disappointment. However, there may be other opportunities. Revisit the [Trust website](#) for additional resources.