



Discovery Grant Program Guidelines

Overview:

The Alaska Conservation Foundation supports direct conservation work that makes an enduring conservation impact to uphold the integrity of Alaska's natural environment and the ways of life it sustains. The Small Grants program provides grant awards to Alaska based grassroots organizations in order to foster a more effective, sustainable conservation movement through funding strategic opportunities that strengthen the movement's leadership base, encourage collaboration, and help leaders and organizations navigate changing political and economic climates.

Grant awards range from \$500 to \$2,000.

Applications will be reviewed and evaluated every 2 months.

Eligibility:

- Non-profit organizations in Alaska, or with an Alaska-based program
- 501c3, 501c4, 501c6 and federally recognized tribes are eligible to apply
- If a current ACF grantee, must be in good standing with required grant reports
- Projects engaged in Alaska conservation and in line with ACF priorities
- Preference will be given to grassroots organizations with annual operating budgets under \$200,000

Discovery Grant Awards will support:

Strategic opportunities that strengthen the movement's leadership base, encourage collaboration, and help leaders and organizations navigate changing political and economic climates. Supported activities may include:

- Training for staff and board
- Meeting facilitation
- Legal assistance
- Travel
- Conference fees
- Outreach and Advocacy
- Strategic program expansion
- Up to 5% administrative fee

Please contact ACF staff with questions about eligible activities at grants@alaskaconservation.org or 907-276-1917.

The following are **not** eligible:

- Operating expenses, including staff salaries
- Expenses/activities that have already occurred
- Equipment, land acquisition, or research
- Ongoing program expenses
- Education programs or scholarships
- Capital campaigns
- For-profit organizations
- Individuals

Application Process:

Applications are reviewed every two months. If your proposal is time sensitive, please contact ACF staff: grants@alaskaconservation.org or 907-276-1917