

Bruce J Anderson Foundation Guidelines 2025

The Bruce J. Anderson Foundation is a family foundation, structured as a supporting organization of the Boston Foundation, established in 1980 to memorialize Bruce by his six siblings. Governed by a Board of Directors, and in consultation with Anderson family members, grants are made in support of programs, initiatives, and direct services focusing on young people and those who are not served adequately by existing resources (particularly those who are LGBTQ+) in the fields of:

- Mental health treatment, support, research, & suicide prevention,
- Historic and archival preservation,
- Environmental protection,
- The arts.

The Bruce J. Anderson Foundation focuses its grantmaking in two geographical areas of Massachusetts:

- Cape Ann (specifically, the communities of Gloucester, Rockport, Essex and Manchester)
- Nashoba Valley (specifically, the communities of Harvard, Ayer, Groton, Pepperell, Shirley and Townsend.)

Requests are sought in the \$2,500 to \$12,000 range. Grant funds are available to support activities that occur after July 1, 2025. Approved requests may be fully or partially funded. ***Please note that the Board of Directors favors:***

- Programs that will serve a wide segment of the community and assist those who are not served adequately by existing resources.
- Demonstration projects that provide practical approaches for dealing with specific problems, and
- Programs where the Foundation's contribution is likely to leverage additional support.

The Board does not customarily make grants for:

- Scholarships or loans
- Conferences or films, and/or
- Religious programs

Nor does the Foundation make grants to individuals.

Proposal review is conducted by Bruce J. Anderson Foundation trustees and Boston Foundation staff who make recommendations to the Board of Directors of the Bruce J. Anderson Foundation. The review process may include a site visit or phone conversation. Generally, notification of action on your request occurs after the Board meeting in June and announcements are made shortly after. We hope you will carefully review the requirements of this Request for Proposal (RFP) and submit a proposal only if your project meets the application guidelines. Questions or requests for additional information should be directed to Stella Davis at stella.davis@tbf.org or 617-338-2398.

Applications are due by 11:59 pm on Wednesday, February 26, 2025.