

# Folly Beach Community Foundation

P.O. Box 844  
Folly Beach, SC 29439

## 2026 Annual Grant Application Information (Page 1 of 3)

**A total of \$10,000 will be awarded to qualifying Folly Beach based community organizations. Grants are for existing local programs or to start a new program. In addition, individuals wishing to create a new community organization may also apply for seed money and organizational guidance.**

**Grant requests can not exceed \$1,000**

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### Important Dates

- Feb 12, 2026 - Download Grant Applications from F.B.C.F. website**
- March 31, 2026 - Grant Application Deadline**
- April 2026 - Selection Committee Evaluates Proposals**
- May 2026 - Selection Committee makes final decisions**

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**Address all questions to: [follycommunityfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:follycommunityfoundation@gmail.com)**

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**Applications may be submitted by post or email:**

- 1. mailed – must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2026.**
- 2. emailed to: [follycommunityfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:follycommunityfoundation@gmail.com) as one pdf, on or before midnight, March 31, 2026.**

**(Applicants may be contacted for more information if any part of the application is unclear. )**

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### **Eligibility Requirements: Must meet Part I, II, or III to be eligible**

**Part I.** Only Folly Beach based community organizations may apply.

- **If incorporated by SC but not IRS recognized - Organization be registered with the SC Secretary of State's office with a Folly Beach home address and the organizations bank account must also have a F.B. Address. (To be eligible)**
- **If an IRS registered non-profit – Organization must have F.B. business and bank account address. (To be eligible)**
- **If unincorporated – A majority of members must be F.B. Residents, group's bank account must be associated with a F.B. Address and your organization must qualify based on the SC Code 33-56-50 non-profit exception clause to be eligible.**

**Part II. Special Exceptions – (Pre-approved by Board)**

- 1. Pet Helpers (Began as a F.B. Organization)**
- 2. Save the Light**

(If your organization wishes to apply for a special exception, detail your reasons and send them to the Foundation via email for consideration by the board of directors. )

**Part III. Start a New Non-Profit - Individuals wishing to start a new Folly Beach based non-profit may apply. (Request a special application form from F.B.C.F.)**

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**List of organizations the Foundation considers eligible: \***  
(Based on the group's history of existing community programs.)

**Anglers Club, Baptist Church, Catholic Church, City of Folly Beach, Civic Club, Exchange Club, Folly's County Parks, F.B. Library, F.B. Wahine Classic, F.B. Historical Society, Home and Garden Club, Methodist Church, Pet Helpers, Save the Light, Turtle Watch, Warrior Surf Foundation and Waves for Women.**

- **List is not exhaustive. Contact us to see if your organization is eligible.**

**Use of Grant Money:** All Grants must be used to benefit the community of Folly Beach as a whole or a specific portion thereof. Organizations should become familiar with the F.B. Community Foundation's mission and goals on its website to determine if its grant is aligned with the Foundation's mission.

(The Foundation's selection committee comprised of 3 board members and 4 members of the public makes the sole determination on all aspects of the grant proposal, from being a bona fide organization, to being aligned with the goals and mission of the Foundation and finally to the amount of money granted.)

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**For Organizations not familiar with grant proposals. It's recommended you view, as a minimum, reference material related to grants (From the “City of Charleston Community Assistance Grant Program: Review & Scoring Guidelines. ( at: [www.charleston-sc.gov/123/Community-Assistance-Accommodations-Tax-](http://www.charleston-sc.gov/123/Community-Assistance-Accommodations-Tax-) )**

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## **F.B. Community Foundation's Grant Proposal Criteria** (Borrowed from the City of Charleston's Guidelines)

**Community Need**

- Identify an unmet need or a continuing need of a current program.
- Provide a compelling explanation of how the project addresses a need or will benefit the Folly community
- Offer a strong and well-supported rationale for funding.

**Community Impact**

- Explain how your program will benefit the community
- Describe the meaningful and lasting impacts on the community.
- Demonstrate a successful track record of current or previous programs of your organization.

**Alignment**

- Is your proposal aligned with the Foundation's mission ?
- Clearly explain how the project supports the Foundation's mission

**Feasibility**

- Follow best management practices and include a realistic timeline.
- Present a strong likelihood of successful implementation.
- Demonstrate sufficient organizational capacity, sound financial practices and the ability to meet all grant reporting requirements.

**Sustainability**

- Do you have a clear and detailed plan for sustaining the project beyond the grant period or is this project a one off?

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**Email Applications to: [follybeachcommunityfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:follybeachcommunityfoundation@gmail.com)  
(emailed as one pdf)**

### Part I. Basic Information (Print or Type)

**Amount you are requesting: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Limit of \$1,000)**

**Name of Organization** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address of Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical Address: (If Any)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Contact and Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In what year was your local organization formed?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you incorporated in the State of SC. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you a registered Charity with the State of SC Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you a bona fide IRS organization? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_**

**If Yes List type of 501** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have a website?**

**No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ If yes list address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have a facebook page?**

**No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ If yes list name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**List any other media sites in your organization's name.**

**(Instagram, YouTube, etc.)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have a Federal Employer Identification Number, FEIN?**

**No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, List Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I. (Continued) Print or Type  
List of Board Members: (If any)**

List of Officers: (If any)

Does your organization have By-Laws? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II. - The Legal & Accountability Section**

We hereby certify that all funds received by applicant's organization from the Folly Beach Community Foundation will be initially deposited in the group's checking account and used solely for the purposes set forth in this application and we will comply with all local, state and federal statutes.

We also agree, within 6 months of receiving funds, to send F.B.C.F. a brief report, of no more than 250 words, detailing how the grant money was used and listing the amount of any unused funds, if any. We also understand that any declared unused funds may be used for the general operations of the group and does not have to be returned to F.B.C.F.

Name of board chair/executive officer /president: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature and title of same: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Treasurer: (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III. - Grant Proposal Section - (Type)**

Attach your Grant Proposal of no more than 500 words describing the mission of your organization, your specific need for funding and specifically how your proposal will benefit the residential Community of Folly Beach or some portion thereof. Be sure to incorporate as many of the grant criteria as possible. (The proposal will be used as the basis to evaluate, compare and assign an award amount, if any.)