# **Philanthropy Fund Guidelines**

Funding decisions are never guaranteed – precedence and/or basic qualification do not automatically result in approval of an application. Please read the following information

BEFORE applying for funding.

# **Application Timeline**

- Applications are due **at least four weeks** prior to either the date of the event or the due date of the earliest payment (whichever comes first).
- Applications received within this four week deadline will be considered at the discretion of the Director of the Philanthropy Fund.
- Complete the funding application on the USG Funds website
- The application requires a full budget for your program along with official invoices/quotes/estimates for each individual expense
  - Funding is a first-come, first-served program. Apply as early as possible to avoid delays caused by school breaks and other technical issues!
- Submitted Inquiries will be responded to within two business days, including funding decisions and application changes

#### What is fundable?

- Planned programs that focus on hands-on community service (i.e., purchase of bookshelves, desks, or tables for educational benefit)
- Food will be considered by the Philanthropy Fund on a case-by-case basis if it is deemed central to the event. Final decision is up to the discretion of the director.

#### The following are not eligible for funding:



Alcoholic beverages







Food, T-Shirts, Gifts, or any durable goods



Transportation costs (airfare, gasoline, taxi, etc)





Deposits or fees pertaining to cleaning/damage



Any refundable deposits



Reimbursements

## **Maximum per Academic Year**

- IIndividual organizations may receive a maximum of \$5,000 from the Philanthropy Fund per academic year. This maximum may be increased if an organization sends a representative from their organization to attend one or both of these events:
- Attendance of the USG Funds Workshop will allow for consideration of an additional \$200 dollars to the funding maximum.
- Attendance of one of the Bystander Intervention Training workshops will allow for consideration of an additional \$200 dollars to the funding maximum.
  - The maximum an organization can receive for attending both events is \$5,400.
- Collaboration: A collaborative application with multiple student organizations will be considered on a case by case basis. Approved funds will be counted evenly among all organizations involved in consideration with their annual limit.

### Multiple Dipping (same group applying to different boards)

- Applicants can receive funding from different boards throughout the academic year.
  - o Progression towards an organization's limit is tracked individually by each board.
    - Ex. An organization receiving funding from the Philanthropy Fund does not need to consider its funding from Discretionary Fund earlier in the year when completing their application.
- Applicants may receive funds from only one USG account per event.
  - Examples of other USG accounts include all USG Funding Boards, Programming Boards, and Recreational Club Council).