Community Outreach Grant FAQs

Can a Council/Chapter submit more than 1 application?

- Yes, so long as they are working with more than 1 program or organization and applying for separate grants for each

Do chapters need to have general liability insurance before applying for a grant?

- No. However, we highly recommend the grantee have in place a general liability insurance policy that will remain active until all grant funds have been used. The chapter will be liable for any and all incidents, regardless of insurance status.

What is the purpose of an IRS 990 form?

- This is the nonprofit form for Council/Chapter OR the program they are applying on behalf of

How can a chapter receive the highest score?

- There is no exact science to this process. Chapters should ensure that a complete and understandable application is submitted, including all the requested points of information and documents

Who scores the applications?

- The scoring committee is made up of judges from the MOAA Charities Board, the MOAA Board and in some instances MOAA staff.

When do applications open?

- Applications open on December 1 and close on February 28.

What is the most a chapter can receive?

- The MOAA Charities awards grants up to $5,000 to MOAA Councils/Chapters.

How do I submit my chapter's mid-cycle and final reports?

- Chapters are only required to submit a final report. All final reports are to be submitted via SurveyMonkey. The task will open in December and will close the following April. Our team does not accept emailed in reports.

Can grant funds be used towards JROTC, ROTC, or Scholarships?

- MOAA Charities Community Outreach Grants are not awarded for programs that are considered pass-throughs, meaning programs whose sole purpose is to distribute funds directly as scholarships or monetary awards to individuals. However, grants may support JROTC and ROTC-related programs when they are

part of a broader chapter-led initiative that provides direct programming, engagement, or support to cadets. Examples of eligible activities may include chapter-hosted awards and recognition programs, leadership events, dinners, educational activities, mentoring programs, support for cadet competitions, assistance with equipment or program needs, and similar initiatives that have a substantive programmatic component beyond simply awarding funds.