

AHS Grants Guidelines & How to Apply

Guidelines

- Grant requests must meet the goals of the <u>mission statement</u> of the American Harp Society.
- Grant applicants (principal investigator) must be members of the American Harp Society, Inc., and have maintained continuous membership for the past three consecutive years.
- The Grants Program strives to encourage new projects, and preference will be given to new grant proposals. The grants program does not provide long term sources of annual funding.
- Grants must be submitted by either of two yearly deadlines: October 15 or March 15. Notification of awards will be received by November 15 and April 15, respectively.
- Grant recipients will be given a digital file that must be used to recognize
 The American Harp Society as a sponsor in any publicity materials, and/or on
 the printed score for any grant-sponsored commissions.
- Grants may be awarded annually to chapters of the American Harp Society, not-for-profits, and/or individual members of the American Harp Society, Inc.
- Each chapter, not-for-profit, or individual member may submit only one application per fiscal year (July 1 June 30).
- Entities are limited to receiving \$5000 in grant funding from the AHS in a seven-year period.
- Chapter applications must include how the chapter and individual members will benefit from the proposal. Preference is given to chapter proposals that reach a broad spectrum of members as well as the community at large.
- The Grant Program does not fund past events, operating expenses, travel expenses, commercial recordings, and/or the purchase of equipment or harps.
- Current members of the AHS Board of Directors and Grant Committee are not eligible to apply.
- Grants must be submitted electronically. (See How to Apply below.)
- Any unused portion of the grant funds must be returned to the AHS upon completion of the project.

How to Apply

Please log into the <u>myAHS member portal</u> and select "Grant Application" from the "What would you like to do?" drop down menu. Any questions or additional supporting materials may be emailed to <u>GrantApplication@harpsociety.org</u>.

The following information will be required on the application:

- Applicant name (Chapter, not-for-profit, or individual AHS member)
- Contact person/Principal Investigator (first & last name, title, phone, email)
- Project name
- Project narrative (brief summary indicating how you plan to use the grant funds requested)
- Proposed budget (including all income and expenses)
- Timeline for completion of the project
- Description of the anticipated impact of the project

Upon receipt of a grant request, the grant committee will review it and submit a recommendation to the Board/Executive Committee for approval.