

## **THE DORSEY & WHITNEY FOUNDATION**

To determine whether to submit a request to The Dorsey & Whitney Foundation, please review the guidelines listed below. To submit a request, please address all questions contained in the application and include the information listed under Application Process.

### **Program Purpose**

The Dorsey & Whitney Foundation supports the communities in which Dorsey & Whitney LLP operates and provides general support to charitable organizations and programs which reflect the diverse interests of its attorneys. Financial support is provided to established arts, cultural and community-service organizations. The Firm also has a strong commitment to the involvement of its attorneys in providing pro bono work to a diverse group of people and nonprofit organizations.

### **Funding Priorities**

Priority is generally given to the support of charitable organizations in which attorneys of Dorsey & Whitney LLP are actively involved. Special consideration is given to established arts, cultural and community-service organizations in which attorneys serve as board members or officers.

### **Geographic Focus**

The Dorsey & Whitney Foundation generally concentrates its financial support on charitable organizations and programs in cities in which offices of Dorsey & Whitney LLP are located.

### **Type of Support Available**

The Dorsey & Whitney Foundation provides general operating support for charitable organizations with proven programs. A matching gift program provides support to organizations to which Dorsey & Whitney LLP attorneys make qualifying contributions.

Requests for capital and endowment support are not encouraged and are reviewed on an extremely selective basis.

### **Restrictions on Giving**

Grants are not made for the following purposes:

- Religious organizations and their affiliates, except schools and colleges;
- Individuals or private foundations;
- National fundraising campaigns, ticket sales, fundraising dinners, golf tournaments and other similar activities;

- The endowment of chairs;
- Voter registration drives or attempts to influence legislation or the outcome of any specific public election; or
- To satisfy all or any part of a formal or informal, express or implied, pledge or similar commitment to any organization, or to enhance member benefits to contributing attorneys.

## **Application Process**

In order to qualify for consideration, the following information is needed from, or about, the organization seeking Foundation support:

1. A letter or short proposal indicating the amount and purpose for which funds are requested;
2. Background information about the organization, including the most recent annual report and, if available, a copy of the organization's current newsletter;
3. A current budget and the most recent audited financial statement;
4. A representative list, if available, of individual and corporate contributors;
5. A copy of the organization's IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter;
6. Current list of officers, board members and their business or professional affiliation, and key staff; and
7. Name(s) of Dorsey & Whitney LLP attorney(s) involved in the organization and a description of their participation (board of directors; officer; committee or other leadership position).

The Board of Directors of the Foundation meets regularly to consider proposals. Questions about this process can be addressed by contacting:

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 Community & Legislative Affairs Administrator  
 The Dorsey & Whitney Foundation  
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 Minneapolis, MN 55402-1498  
 Tel: (612) 340-2847  
 Fax: (612) 340-2643  
 E-Mail [wilson.rose@dorsey.com](mailto:wilson.rose@dorsey.com)

## FORM OF APPLICATION

1. Name and address of organization

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2. Name, title and telephone number of person submitting request

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3. Amount, type and purpose of requested funds

Amount requested: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Previous Dorsey & Whitney Foundation contribution: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Year received: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of request:

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Purpose:

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4. Geographic focus:

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5. How does this request meet the funding priorities (please be specific):

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A. Is a Dorsey & Whitney LLP attorney involved in this organization?

Board of Directors: \_\_\_\_\_

Term: \_\_\_\_\_

Committees: \_\_\_\_\_

Other activity or involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

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B. What opportunities does this organization have for Dorsey & Whitney LLP attorneys to participate at leadership levels?

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6. What type of recognition will The Dorsey & Whitney Foundation receive?

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