



SPRING FORWARD FOR AUTISM

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About Our Grant Program

Grants are designed to provide access to individuals and families in Brevard County, Florida affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders.

Grants will be allocated on a quarterly basis and they will be based on annual fundraising activities. The Board of Directors will determine the amounts of each grant at the beginning of each term. Requests for multi-year grants will be denied. Applicant will need to apply each year for assistance. Grant approval may be expedited for applicants that are in immediate personal danger or harm, as we will try to provide immediate support based upon the need and the funds available within our grant program.

Grant Cycle Quarter	Open Application Period	Family Notified By
1st Quarter	January 1st through March 1st	March 15, 20XX
2nd Quarter	April 1st through June 1st	June 15, 20XX
3rd Quarter	July 1st through September 1st	September 15, 20XX
4th Quarter	October 1st through December 1st	December 15, 20XX

Once determined how much we can award each quarter, the board will review the following items when considering approval of a grant request.

- Completion of grant application - Applicant can fill our application at www.springforwardforautism.org or request an application to be emailed to them for print. The application must be completed in its entirety to be reviewed.
- Amount of grant request - Grants will be awarded between \$100 and \$2,000 per family, unless an exception is approved by the Board of Directors
- Household Income - Applicants with household incomes below \$50,000 will be reviewed first; however all requests will be considered. (Applicant must provide verification of income)
- Type of treatment requested - Awarded grants are to be used to fund effective treatments, assessments, special needs education, sensory equipment and other therapies that are beneficial to an autistic child's progress. (Treatment must be supported by evidence of efficacy.)
- Other financial assistance received - Applicant must provide a list of any additional approved grants received or any other financial assistance provided.



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Post Grant Approval Requirements

- Once a grant is approved, you will be required to complete a short questionnaire regarding your experience as a result of the funding you received.
- Families will have 12 months to use the funds from the awarded date.
- Applicant agrees to repay the grant if any services paid for with the grant are reimbursed by another funding source.
- Payment will be issued directly to a pre-approved treatment provider, assessors or equipment vendors.
- If the monies are refunded due to cancellation of the treatment by the family, the funds will be re-paid to our organization.

Spring Forward for Autism, Inc. will not provide funds for the following:

- Personal needs such as rent, utilities, family vacations, etc...
- Transportation Costs - auto, auto repair, air travel, etc...
- Families that do not reside in Brevard County, Florida
- We reserve the right to deny funds for any reason that we feel does not match with our mission.
- Treatments for a child that is not diagnosed on the Autism Spectrum Disorder unless the funds are to be used for assessment.

Please visit our website at **www.springforwardforautism.org** for more information or to apply for a grant.