



MDRT FOUNDATION

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Quality of Life Grant Program Eligibility and Award Guidelines

The Quality of Life Grant Program honors the volunteerism of MDRT members who give their time to serve charitable programs in their own communities and worldwide. Award consideration includes the duration and depth of the members' volunteer efforts with a particular charity.

The MDRT Foundation awards grants to the member's designated charity in increments of USD 5,000 (maximum of 34 grants awarded), USD 10,000 (three grants awarded), USD 25,000 (two grants awarded), and one grant of USD 50,000.

MDRT member eligibility:

- Must be an MDRT member in the year that the grant is awarded.
- Upon receiving the highest Quality of Life award (USD 50,000), a member is no longer eligible to apply for another Quality of Life grant.
- Upon receiving any other Quality of Life award (USD 25,000, USD 10,000, USD 5,000), a member must wait a full three years before applying for another Quality of Life grant (however the applicant may apply under the Worldwide Grant Program, subject to eligibility)
- A member may apply for/endorse one application per year for all grant programs.
- Executive Committee and Foundation Officers must wait a full three years after their term ends before applying for a Quality of Life grant.

Charity's eligibility:

Grants are only awarded to organizations or programs that are non-sectarian, responsibly managed, employ appropriate fiscal accounting procedures, and are classified by their local government as a not-for-profit organization operating for charitable purposes.

The MDRT Foundation prioritizes funding projects that addresses a societal need or a vulnerable population over cultural or historical non-profits. Examples of recent projects funded by the MDRT Foundation:

- Programs for youth, senior citizens or at-risk groups
- Groups that provide emergency services such as food, shelter, or healthcare.
- Services for people with disabilities and mental health services (including alcohol and drug dependency programs).

The MDRT Foundation does not provide funding for any of the following:

- Individuals
- Private charity, foundation or donor-advised fund or organizations whose primary role is re-granting funds.
- Organizations not exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and not eligible for tax-deductible support (if based in the United States). If based outside the U.S., charity must be designated by a governing body to be operating for charitable purposes.
- Religious organizations or sectarian causes, unless the particular program benefits the community at large without regard to religious affiliation.
- Political causes, candidates, organizations or campaigns.
- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of age, color, citizenship, disability, disabled veteran status, gender, race, religion, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, military service or status.
- Organizations whose primary purpose is to influence legislation.
- Colleges, universities or schools, unless the request is for a program or activity that benefits the public at-large or an at-risk group.
- Endowments or capital campaigns.
- Fundraising events (such as dinners and walkathons) or performing arts tours.
- Athletic events, fraternal groups or similar clubs.
- General academic scholarship requests.

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