

## **Helping Hands Society of Greater Washington DC**

### Grant Objective

The Foundation's objective is to grow to a \$1,000,000 endowment; have more community outreach through grant giving; and make a difference locally for underserved children and families.

### Grant Criteria

An organization must meet the following criteria to be eligible for The Helping Hands Society's annual grant.

- Must be a United States entity and be locally focused on serving the Washington DC metropolitan area
- Grant money must stay in The United States
- Must have a focus on at least one of the following:
  - Education for vulnerable children
  - Family self-sufficiency
  - Support for military veterans
  - Homelessness
- They need to have, at minimum, a three (3) year Strategic Plan (or similar)
- Must have audited financials (if not available, we will accept tax returns)
- Must be willing to build a relationship with the Helping Hands Society that is collaborative and will raise visibility for both their origination and the Helping Hands Society
- Grants are intended to be three-year evergreen commitments, subject to committee reconfirmation

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### Grant Process

- Any NAIFA-Greater Washington DC association member AND currently contributing member of the Helping Hands Society (or lifetime contributor of \$5,000 or more) can nominate a 501(c)(3) organization that meets the grant criteria
- Official Helping Hand Society Grant Nomination Form must be submitted by October 1 of each year, complete with supporting documents
- Nominations will be considered by Grant Committee, consisting of the Officers of the Foundation, plus additional committee members appointed by the President