# **Women's Connection Grant Application**

### Who is the Women's Connection?

A non-profit organization that focuses on women's charities, networking and connecting to make a difference.

The Women's Connection strives to support organizations and activities that provide education, support, and fellowship to local women and girls of the Lewis Clark Valley. (Lewiston, Clarkston, and Asotin.)



#### **Grant Policies and Guidelines**

Grant applications are considered and accepted from programs are compatible with our mission and philosophy. Only one application per organization is allowed. Applicants MUST have a current 501c3 non-profit to apply.

The organizations we fund work to support the women and girls in our community. The 2024 Purse Auction Proceeds will go to non-profits and the Women's Connection Grant Fund. \*If requesting funds of \$500 or less, please present at a general meeting.

#### To be considered for a Purse Auction Grant please Include:

EIN number for 501c3 verification from IRS

Mission Statement

Impact on Community

Goals & needs of non-profit

What the funds would be used for if approved.

(The following is not necessary and is not a requirement to apply)

Are you or any of your employees an active member of Women's Connection?

- How many years have they been active? In what capacity have they participated?
- Event contributions as a member of WC over the past 2 years
- How did you hear about the grant opportunity?

#### Grant recipients will:

- Demonstrate the mission of the Women's connection by providing support to women or girls through education, care and partnership.
- Publicly acknowledge support by the Women's Connection, such as public service announcements, Media acknowledgement via FACEBOOK/ INSTAGRAM and tagging the Women's Connection FB page.
- Provide 6 adult volunteers total, 2 to assist with set-up, 2 volunteers during the Purse Auction, & 2 for cleanup after the event. Volunteers must wear a nametag or have a way to identify them as a member of their nonprofit. Volunteers must dress and act appropriately. (Failure to provide volunteers will reduce amount granted to the non-profit at the end of the event review process.)
  - Volunteers from the non-profit are allowed to participate with a bidder number but will be asked to sit in a volunteer section during the event. If they choose to eat,

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they must purchase a meal prior to the event. NOTE: Only 2 volunteers are allowed at the time of the event.

 Have the option to bring 1 - 8 ½ X 11 flyer and a stack of brochures; this is information about the non-profit to display on a joint table for all grant recipients. Volunteers are NOT allowed to wander the event and hand out flyers. All flyers and brochures must be picked up at the end of the event.



- The grant recipients will attend the Women's Connection August lunch meeting for presentation and acceptance of grant funding.
- Present to our Women's Connection members during a 2025 meeting on the program funded and the impact of the grant. Funds are to be spent in the 2024/2025 year. If this can't be completed in the 2025 year, the organization will not be able to apply for additional funds until the grant requirements are met.

### Applications will <u>NOT</u> be considered from:

- Individuals
- Organizations or programs located outside the Lewis Clark Valley.
- For propagandizing and/or influencing legislation and elections.
- Institutions whose policy or practice unfairly discriminates against race, ethnic origin, creed, or religion.

#### **Please NOTE:**

According to Women's Connection by-Laws, we are only able to support girls and women's causes.

#### The Review Process

Applications must be submitted by NOON on Friday, April 5th to be considered. Please email to <a href="wcpurseauction@gmail.com">wcpurseauction@gmail.com</a>. Applications will be reviewed and chosen by active members of the Women's Connection. Please allow two weeks for review and initial response to applications. Final determination of amounts for granting of funds will be based on the outcome of Purse Auction.

Please make every effort to present your application in a concise manner, while thoroughly covering your grant request.

Thank you for the work you do in the LC Valley to uplift women and girls. Please reach out if you have any questions regarding the grant, the process and/or reporting. We look forward to reading all grant requests.

Sincerely,

Purse Auction Committee and Members of Women's Connection