

The OAHSTRIDES Fund 2026 Application Form

The Greater Hartford Gives Foundation is pleased to announce that it is accepting applications for grants through the OAHSTRIDES Fund. OAHSTRIDES is the philanthropic arm of Orthopedic Associates of Hartford, PC. They work with under-resourced populations in the Greater Hartford Community to provide the support needed to build essential life skills and live healthier lifestyles. Their Mission is to improve physical, emotional, and mental health with an emphasis on movement and mobility.

For the 2026 grant cycle, OAHSTRIDES is focused on supporting veterans in the Greater Hartford community through adaptive physical activity, mental wellness initiatives, and opportunities for meaningful community connection and reintegration. We recognize that many veterans carry visible and invisible impacts of service, including physical injuries, chronic pain, mobility challenges, post-service transition difficulties, and social isolation.

Through this funding opportunity, OAHSTRIDES seeks to partner with organizations that honor veterans' experiences and are committed to empowering them through movement-based and wellness-centered programs. We aim to support initiatives that foster resilience, restore confidence and connection, and promote lifelong health and well-being for those who have served.

Eligibility Criteria

- Organizations must be classified as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, or a fiscal sponsor is required if your agency is not recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization. Please visit the [National Council of Nonprofits](#) for details.
- Requests must provide adaptive sports and/or wellness programs/services

Guidelines

- Requests must be in the range of \$250 to \$5,000
- There is no guarantee for funding and requests may receive only partial funding
- Programmatic and project-specific requests are strongly encouraged
- Requests for general operating support are discouraged
- A report is required within a year of funding. Photos and videos are encouraged.

Application Process

Please answer the following questions and attach an itemized project budget using the template provided. Please email the completed application and budget attachment to CommPhil@greaterhartfordgives.org no later than **Saturday, August 1, 2026**, for consideration. Funding decisions will be made in September. [Click here to download the project budget template.](#)

1) Organization Contact Information

Organization's Legal Name:	
Organization's Mission Statement	
Employee Identification Number	
Address:	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip Code:	

Contact Name & Title:	
Contact Phone Number:	
Contact Email:	
Website:	

2) Program Information

Program Name:	
Project Type: <i>(please highlight one)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> new initiative <input type="checkbox"/> program expansion or enhancement
Dollar Amount Requested:	
Total Project/Program Budget	
What percentage of this grant will go toward administrative expenses versus direct costs associated with the program?	
Over what period will the funds be spent?	
Current Annual Operating Budget and Fiscal Year (e.g. \$1 million – January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026)	
Geographic Area Served: <i>(towns and neighborhoods)</i>	
Population Served: <i>(e.g. age, gender, ethnicity, number of participants)</i>	

3) Program Description

Describe the proposed project. Please include project goals, timelines, number of people served, how success is measured, list the staff leads and decision-makers involved, and any setbacks or limitations you have faced in the past few years. (300 words or less)

4) What are the anticipated outcomes the organization hopes to have through this proposal?

5) Are you applying for or receiving funds from any other sources for this project?

Please contact CommPhil@greaterhartfordgives.org with any questions.