

UNITED FOR ALICE

CATALYST GRANT



UNITED WAY
North Central
Florida

OVERVIEW

United Way North Central Florida (UWNCFL) invites eligible nonprofit organizations to apply for funding under our ALICE Catalyst Grant. This initiative empowers small nonprofit organizations serving North Central Florida to innovate, expand, or strengthen their capacity to better serve ALICE® (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) households. Organizations receiving funding will be recognized as Impact Partners, collaborating with UWNCFL to create thriving communities.



FUNDING DETAILS

Total available funding is \$25,000.00. This grant is designed to spark new ideas, pilot creative approaches, or build sustainable infrastructure that helps working families and individuals achieve stability and thrive. It is not intended to fill budget gaps, replace lost funding, or maintain existing programs.



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit in good standing or an eligible public entity (e.g., schools, libraries).
- Must have an annual operating budget of \$750,000 or less.
- Serve residents in one or more of the following counties: Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, or Union.
- Provide health, welfare, or social services that align with UWNCF's Impact Areas.
- Have a policymaking, volunteer Board of Directors meeting at least quarterly.
- Adhere to non-discrimination policies.
- Must demonstrate strong financial and program management practices.
- Agree to comply with UWNCF's Impact Partner Policies and Procedures.



FUNDING OPTIONS

The United for ALICE Catalyst Grant is designed to encourage bold ideas and innovative solutions that strengthen the local safety net for working families. Funds may be used for:

- Launching new or pilot programs that address barriers faced by ALICE households.
- Building organizational capacity, such as staff development, technology improvements, or program infrastructure in service to ALICE households.
- Expanding existing services to reach more ALICE households in underserved communities.
- Strengthening collaboration through partnerships or shared-service models to serve ALICE.



PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- Organizational Overview
- Project Summary
- Expected Impact and Outcomes
- Budget Summary
- Sustainability Plan
- Supporting Documents

Online Application

- Save Draft
- All Fields Required
- Late or incomplete submissions will not be evaluated



OUTCOMES AND EVALUATION

ALICE Budget and Income Status Tool

- Two Reports Required:
 - Interim Report (9 - months)
 - Final Report (18 months)
- Additional Check Ins
 - UWNCFL may schedule virtual or in-person meetings during the grant period
- Measurable Outcomes & Date Requested:
 - Demographics (age, race, zip codes)
 - Client Success Story
 - Project specific data & outcomes



FUNDING TIMELINE

Information Sessions:	December 1 & 2, 2025
RFP Release Date:	November 17, 2025
Deadline for Submissions:	December 17, 2025
Award Notification:	February 2026
Funding Disbursement:	February 2026
Spending Period:	February 2026 - July 2027



REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS

- All applications will be reviewed by UWNCFL staff for eligibility and completeness.
- UWNCFL Board of Directors will select the final grantee based on the following criteria:
 - Innovation
 - Impact
 - Feasibility
 - Sustainability
 - Mission Alignment
 - Equity and Reach
- Grant recipient will be publicly announced February 2026





QUESTIONS?