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The Retirement Research Foundation Is Accepting Applications for Projects in Aging

The Retirement Research Foundation's (RRF) next proposal application deadline is February 3, 2020.

The Retirement Research Foundation is based in Chicago and is one of the nation's first private foundations devoted exclusively to aging and retirement issues. Throughout its history, RRF has awarded more than \$230 million for innovative projects that benefit older Americans.

RRF Trustees recently approved a three-year strategic plan which reflects a continued commitment to improve the quality of life for older people, and a desire to become increasingly proactive as the Foundation moves forward. A centerpiece of the plan is the establishment of *Strategic Priority Areas*. These include specific topics in aging that will be given higher priority within the RRF's grantmaking program, beginning in 2020. Priority areas include: Caregiving, Economic Security in Later Life, Housing, and Social and Intergenerational Connectedness.

Each priority area affords an opportunity for RRF to support innovative and effective projects that enable older people to live well and fully in community settings. While the priority areas reflect RRF's primary funding interests, the Foundation will remain open to considering compelling applications on other topics.

RRF's grantmaking will continue to support advocacy, direct service, education and training programs, research, and organizational capacity building.

Proposals for direct service projects are considered from organizations based in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Wisconsin, or Florida. Advocacy, training, and research projects, all with national relevance, are considered from organizations in any state. Organizational capacity building requests are accepted from nonprofits located in metropolitan Chicago.

RRF offers an opportunity for applicants to submit a brief (1 - 3 pages) Letter of Inquiry (LOI) as part of its grantmaking process. Information about the optional LOI process can be found on RRF's website. **LOIs should be submitted by December 2, 2019.**

To learn more, please visit our website <http://www.rrf.org> or email info@rrf.org