

Applied Materials United States Funding Guidelines

Applied Materials and the Applied Materials Foundation are committed to making a positive social contribution in communities near Applied Materials' US facilities in Santa Clara County, CA; Austin, TX; Gloucester, MA; Portland & Hillsboro, OR; Kalispell, MT; Phoenix and Chandler, AZ; and Malta and Albany, NY.

Our competitive grant process aims to enhance educational outcomes for underserved students, contribute to a vibrant arts sector, provide basic needs to our neighbors, and promote environmental stewardship. We welcome opportunities to engage employees with grant recipients.

For information about our corporate grant programs outside of the United States, please email Community_Affairs@amat.com.

Education

Education inspires young minds, opens new doors and paves the way to more promising futures. We are committed to increasing the number of students who graduate from high school inspired for and prepared to have success in college and life. Our education grants are directed to our local neighborhoods with the greatest need.

We have a special interest in funding Education grant proposals that are rooted in evidenced-based research and target critical leverage points along the K- 12 education pathway, focusing on the following:

- Alignment with district priorities
- Key inflection points, such as:
 - Kindergarten readiness
 - Reading at grade level by grade 3 and bolstering writing skills
 - Engaging students in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math) learning
 - Mastering Algebra I by 9th grade
 - Increasing graduation rates and establishing a post-secondary pathway
- Championing teachers and their development

Arts and Culture

Creativity sparks the imagination and drives the development of new ideas that can transform the way we live. We support efforts that bring the full spectrum of artistic expression to the greater community, from visual and performing arts to community events and workshops.

We have a special interest in funding Arts and Culture grant proposals that:

- Provide shared experiences and have broad community appeal
- Ensure access to young people of diverse backgrounds, particularly in underserved neighborhoods
- Bring arts to classrooms to expand learning

Environment

To engage employees and community members in working toward a more sustainable future, we invest in environmental education and community-based projects that demonstrate the importance and value of protecting the environment.

We have a special interest in funding Environment grant proposals that:

- Focus on environmental education for young people, especially in underserved communities
- Promote environmental stewardship and provide hands-on learning experiences
- Encourage hands-on volunteer opportunities for employees and their families as well as the community at-large

Civic (Basic Needs)

We believe in contributing to quality-of-life issues in our neighborhoods. With our civic grants, we support organizations that help people find stability in difficult times.

We have a special interest in funding Civic grant proposals that:

- Support food security
- Strengthen systemic, collaborative approaches to promote housing stability and access

Grants By Invitation Only:

Civic – Capacity Building for the Nonprofit Sector

At the heart of creating strong communities is a diverse and robust nonprofit sector. Grant requests to support this work will be reviewed by invitation only.

We have a special interest in funding grant proposals that help us advance our grant focus areas and that:

- Strengthen the infrastructure of the nonprofit sector and its leadership
- Stimulate innovations and efficiencies that increase service delivery
- Encourage collaboration within the nonprofit sector

Girls Empowerment

Generation Girl™, an initiative of the Applied Materials Foundation, was created to inspire today's generation of girls to pursue their dreams. We fund programs that support girls by addressing the societal and systemic barriers that can stand in their way. Learn more about Generation Girl [here](#).

We have a special interest in funding Girls Empowerment grant proposals that:

- Address girls' lack of self-efficacy and confidence
- Increase access to high quality STEM programs
- Support and/or strengthen the infrastructure of the field
- Offer opportunities for employee engagement

APPLYING FOR FUNDING

Applications are accepted via our online grants management system which can be found on our [website](#).

Proposals are reviewed at regular intervals throughout the year, as follows:

Proposal Deadline	Decision Deadline	Proposals Focused On
January 15	March 31	Education, Arts & Culture, Environment, Civic
June 15	August 31	Education, Arts & Culture, Environment, Civic
September 30	October 31	Girls Empowerment

For more information, questions on global grantmaking or invitation-only grant programs, please email Community_Affairs@amat.com or Applied_Materials_Foundation@amat.com.