



A PHILANTHROPIC CHALLENGE to find and fund new ideas

We believe youth are an untapped resource. Innovate for Good 2016 will empower youth to be agents of change in the community.

What **IDEA** could you bring to life to **EMPOWER YOUTH** to make the community better?

Rose Community Foundation **WILL AWARD** up to **\$250,000** in grants and support to implement the winning ideas!

WHO Can Apply?

We welcome submissions from youth working on their own or in a team and from youth working in partnership with adult allies and ally organizations. Submitters can be individuals or organizations from the business, public or nonprofit sectors. All submitters should fit into one of two categories:

YOUTH

Youth, ages 13 to 18, with an idea for a project they can implement that will make a difference in their community and inspire and empower their peers

YOUTH AND ADULT PARTNERSHIPS

Youth, ages 13 to 18, working as equal partners with adult allies, as individuals or within an organization, to empower youth to make a difference in their community

The FUNDS

All funds awarded must be used to carry out the proposed project.

Submitters should either plan a project that can be implemented with the funds awarded or plan for additional revenue from other sources.

Projects must be carried out and Innovate for Good funds must be spent between October 2016 and September 2017.

Youth winners will be awarded **\$5,000** and will participate in an "innovation accelerator" program with training and coaching to get their project up and running.

Youth and Adult Partnerships will be awarded **\$10,000 to \$25,000** to carry out their project and the opportunity to participate in the Innovate for Good launch workshop.

The CRITERIA

All ideas should be...

- 1. Innovative.** A creative or entrepreneurial project that is specific and focused enough to be easily explained and understood and ambitious enough to be ground breaking and inspire a community.
- 2. Empowering.** The project empowers youth as community leaders in real and meaningful ways. They recognize their strengths and abilities and act on them to "do good" in the community.
- 3. Poised for Impact.** Ready to make a positive difference within one year. Projects should make a difference in the community, not just for the youth involved.
- 4. Just Getting Started.** Currently in idea, planning, or pilot stage. We applaud projects that are already up and running, but they should not apply to Innovate for Good.
- 5. Denver-Based and Denver Serving.** Designed, implemented and serving a community within Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broom field, Denver, Douglas or Jefferson counties.
- 6. Consistent with Rose Community Foundation's Mission, Vision and Anti-Discrimination Statement.**

Our HISTORY

Innovate for Good, a philanthropic challenge to find and fund new ideas, was created in 2015 by Rose Community Foundation. Last year, nearly 400 ideas were submitted by people, nonprofits, businesses, government and community groups in response to the question, "What new and innovative idea would you bring to life to make the Greater Denver community a better place to live?" After a community review process, nine winners were awarded funds totaling \$250,000 to make their projects happen.

The TIMELINE

- MAY**
Submit your idea between May 2 - 31
- JUNE**
Ideas reviewed by a team of 200+ community members
- JULY**
Semi-finalists announced and invited to respond to Round Two questions
- AUGUST**
Finalists announced!



Our COMMUNITY PARTNER



Our MEDIA PARTNER



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