



Grant Application Guidelines

READ THOROUGHLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

The DSAL grant program is intended to provide financial assistance for equipment & services that directly improves the quality of life of individuals with Down syndrome. The program will consider applications to cover the cost of products and services including, but not limited to, recreational programs such as camp, educational programs & tutoring, all therapies not covered by insurance, medical expenses not covered by insurance.

Criteria

Grants will be made available to individuals with Down Syndrome that live in Coastal South Carolina, in areas not covered by another Down syndrome association.

Grant awards

Grants will be available for a maximum of \$1,000 per applicant per calendar year. We encourage all families to apply, however, we ask that you consider applying with the other local agencies for assistance prior to applying for a grant, including but not limited to those listed on the DSAL website. https://www.dsalowcountry.org/down_syndrome_resources/grants-and-scholarships.html

When at all possible, monies will be sent directly to the program or providers, in certain limited situations with appropriate documentation it is possible to receive reimbursement with a paid receipt. Please do not enroll in an Activity/Therapy, pay for an Activity/Therapy or purchase a product, presuming grant monies will be received. Grant money is not guaranteed in any situation prior to applying and receiving written confirmation from DSAL of your request.

Should parents choose to un-enroll their child in the camp or activity for which a grant application has been completed, DSAL should be alerted and monies returned.

Examples of items grants **will not** be awarded for include but are not limited to the following: organizations/businesses, fundraising drives, debt reduction (expenses incurred for services received prior to the grant award), medication and/or school tuition.

Application Process

Please complete the most current application form and email your entire application packet on or before the due date to dsalgrants@gmail.com. If you need assistance procuring either a printed or digital copy of the application or need assistance uploading and emailing the finished application, please contact a member of DSAL, someone will be glad to assist you.

Funds will be disbursed twice annually. Total amount awarded annually will be based on the availability of funds. Applications do not roll into the next grant cycle and must be resubmitted each time a grant is desired. We will ask anyone who submits an incomplete application to resubmit in the next cycle so please contact us sooner rather than later if you have any questions about the process.

Applications will be accepted and considered without regard to sex, religion, ethnic background, race, or national origin.

Not sure if your situation applies? Email us: dsalgrants@gmail.com