



BOU FUNDING INFORMATION

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited (**BOU**) is a not-for-profit organization that promotes prevention education and safe, healthy activities for the youth in our community. Our purpose is to encourage children residing in the Town of Bethlehem or attending school in the Bethlehem Central School District to realize their full potential through available educational opportunities, community-building activities and to prevent drug and alcohol use and other risky behaviors. Additional information is available on the BOU website <http://www.bethlehemschools.org/community/bou/>

It is our mission to support youth **activities** and prevention **education** for families, children and youth. We fund grants for:

- Safe and healthy activities for youth
- Prevention education
- Sharing information via guest speakers, panels, and workshops
- Providing educational, career and employment resources for youth and/or their parents
- Maintaining educational and career materials for youth and/or their parents
- We do **not** fund transportation costs, administrative needs not specifically related to a BOU sponsored youth activity, or individual need-based requests.

Applications are accepted continuously and reviewed at monthly BOU meetings. For specific meeting dates, refer to the BOU website or contact boubethlehem@gmail.com. Please submit your request as far in advance as possible. We prefer that the application be submitted by e-mail to bougrants@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can send it to: BOU PO Box 492 Delmar, NY 12054.

The Grant Committee and BOU Board use the criteria below to evaluate grant applications:

- Proposal must be consistent with our mission as stated above.
- Proposal must provide positive youth experiences and/or provide parent education.
- Proposal should promote responsible decision-making.
- Grants that represent new initiatives affecting a significant number of individuals and have a reasonable expenditure per participant will be given priority.
- Proposals that promote respect, reduce violence and harassment, and promote a safe environment for youth are encouraged.
- Proposals from youth are strongly encouraged

For those proposals that include goods donated to the school district, BOU requires authorization from the school district that the items will be accepted before funding is given. It is the responsibility of the grant applicant to get authorization and inform the BOU of approval.

At the conclusion of your event or activity, please send copies of your receipts to BOU PO Box 492 Delmar, NY 12054.

APPLICATION FOR BOU FUNDING

Send completed applications to: bougrants@gmail.com

Applicant information

Organization Name

Contact Person

Address

Phone

Email

Date submitted

Dates of Activity

Budget Information

Amount Requested?

To whom should the check be made out?

Mailing address for check?

Please provide detailed budget for project-attach additional page, if necessary:

Brief Description of Proposal

What are your Objectives?

How does your request meet the criteria as listed on page one? Please be specific.

What is the age and grade range of those who will be served?

How many individuals are likely to be involved? Please list any adults who will be participating.

Have you received previous BOU funding? If so, please provide details.

Have you applied for and/or received funding from other sources? Please provide details. Do you anticipate that your program could receive alternative funding and/or would the program be able to run with partial funding from BOU?

Does your group have its own insurance? Please provide details.
