



Application Guidelines

Our goal is to help you get the support you need to create an effective **Social Action Project** and share your **Story of Social Impact** as a **Digital Portfolio** on the **Foundation Showcase**.

To get started,

1. Login to your account or create a new account.
2. On the My Project Summary page, click on Download Project Summary Application and Guidelines.
3. Complete the application and submit it to us in one of two ways:
 - On the My Project Summary page, click on Submit Our Completed Project Summary Application Form, and follow instructions, **OR**
 - Save your Project Summary application to your desktop and attach it to an email addressed to katie@theworldwewantfoundation.org.

Application Details:

1. Your Team

Social Action Projects must be created and implemented by a Team of Young Global Citizens and guided by a Project Mentor(s).

Young Global Citizens

Each Team requires at least two Young Global Citizens, ages 11-18. Team members may be students in a classroom; members in a club or service-learning project; or members in a social service, faith based, or other community organization.

The Team needs to select one member to be the Team Coordinator, who will be the primary contact for the Foundation. The Team Coordinator must be 13 years of age or older.

Project Mentor(s)

The Team's Project Mentor(s) must be 21 years of age or older and affiliated with a partner Organization. The Mentor can be a classroom teacher, counselor, service learning coordinator, parent, or other member of your community. A Project Mentor guides the team throughout the process. If the project requires a micro-grant from the **Foundation**, the Project Mentor assists the team in receiving and managing the funds.

2. The Application

The **Project Summary** application should be downloaded and saved to your desktop so you may work on it together as a team. When you have completed the Project Summary, your Team Coordinator will login to your account and submit the application. Suggestions:

- Always save the file before closing it, so that the information will be preserved.
- Please submit only one application for each Social Action Project.

- Note: Teams may submit more than one Social Action Project for consideration. Each project requires a separate Project Summary.

3. Content

The application asks you to tell us about your project by describing:

- your community
- the problem or need you want to address
- your proposed solution
- the resources you will need
- a budget reflecting what you think the project will cost
- the impact you hope to achieve

Note: We understand that at the start of your project you may not know all of this information. We encourage you to give us your best estimates.

4. Partner Organizations

Teams need to collaborate with a Partner Organization. The collaborating Partner Organization will facilitate the receipt and distribution of any micro-grant for the Team's Social Action Project.

- Possible Partner Organizations may include a school club, PTA or PTO, Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, YWCA, Girls Inc., Boy Scouts, Junior Achievement, faith-based organization, Rotary, Kiwanis, or other service organizations, as well as corporations or small businesses.
- Mentors need to be affiliated with the Partner Organization. The Partner Organization must be approved by the **Foundation** before the application will be accepted.

5. Submissions

The **Foundation** welcomes Project Summary application submissions at any time.

Completing Your Project Summary Application

Here are some suggestions for filling in the items requested on the Project Summary.

Project Name

The name of your Project is up to you. Choose a short descriptive name for your Project so that we will all have a way to refer to it.

Team Members

Tell us about your Team Members. This is your introduction to the global community. For example:

- What are your connections to each other?
- What are your interests, and skills?
- Do you attend the same school or different schools?
- Are you members of the same classroom, club, or service learning organization?
- Is your Social Action Project part of a school or community service project?

Please include other information you think will help us get to know you.

Note: If your Social Action Project is accepted, we will ask you to send us a Team photo to start your **Digital Portfolio**.

Project Mentor

Tell us about your Project Mentor(s). For example:

- What is the relationship of your Mentor(s) to your team members?
- Is your Mentor a classroom teacher, counselor, service learning coordinator, parent, or other member of the community?

Please add any other information you think will help us get to know your Mentor(s).

Your Community

Give us a description of your community. For example:

- Do you live in a rural, suburban, or urban area?
- Tell us a little bit about your neighborhood and your school(s).
- If appropriate, tell us about the history, social makeup, or other characteristics of your community.
- Many successful Social Action Projects involve multiple community organizations working together. If that is the case, tell us about the community partners you will be working with or expect to work with on your project.

Add anything else that you think will help us know more about your community.

Your Social Action Project

Describe your **Social Action Project** by discussing these four topics:

1. **The Problem** – Tell us about the problem or need in your community you want to address. Why is this important to your team?
2. **Your Solution** – Tell us about the proposed solution your team plans to implement to solve the problem or need in the community.
3. **Resources Needed** – Tell us about the resources you need or may need to complete your project (e.g. materials, equipment, funding, etc.).

Note:

- If your Team is requesting a micro-grant from the Foundation, please include a brief budget description that tells us approximately how much money you are requesting from the Foundation.
- If your Project Proposal is approved, a more complete budget and additional information will be requested in order to receive your micro-grant.
- You can apply for a micro-grant at any time during the development and implementation of your Social Action Project.

Suggestion: We recommend creating a budget and timeline for your project whether or not you are requesting a micro-grant from the **Foundation**.

4. **The Impact** – Describe the impact you think your solution will have:
 - Tell us what you think will change in your community as a result of your Team's Social Action Project.
 - How will you measure the success of your effort?
 - What is the social Impact you hope to see?

Note: If your project is accepted and completed, you will be asked to create a **Digital Portfolio** to share your **Story of Social Impact** on the **Foundation Showcase**.

Your Team Coordinator, Project Mentor, and Partner Organization

To finish your Project Summary,

1. Provide the requested information for the Team Member acting as Team Coordinator, who will be a contact person for communications with the **Foundation**, and who must be 13 years of age or older.
2. Provide the requested information for your Project Mentor, who will also be a contact person for communications with the **Foundation**, and who must be 21 years of age or older and affiliated with and approved by the Partner Organization.
3. Provide the requested information for your Partner Organization, which must be a tax-exempt nonprofit organization under U.S. tax law.

Submitting Your Project Summary Application

After completing and saving your application,

1. Login to your account
2. On the My Project Summary page click on Submit Our Completed Project Summary Application
3. Complete the form, attach your application, and submit it to us in one of two ways:
 - Click Submit to upload your Project Summary application, **OR**
 - Save your Project Summary application to your desktop and attach it to an email addressed to katie@theworldwewantfoundation.org.

We will review your **Project Summary** application and let you know if we need additional information.

Once your Project Summary application is approved we will let you know the next steps, including

- What tools and resources are available to you to help you develop your **Social Action Project**
- What you need to do to receive a micro-grant
- Examples and guidance for creating your **Digital Portfolio**

Your Digital Portfolio

The final step in your **Social Action Project** is the creation of a **Digital Portfolio** to share your **Story of Social Impact** on the **Foundation Showcase**. In order to create an effective and informative story, you will want to document the development and implementation of your project from start to finish.

We look forward to receiving your Team's **Social Action Project** and sharing your **Story of Social Impact** with our global community.