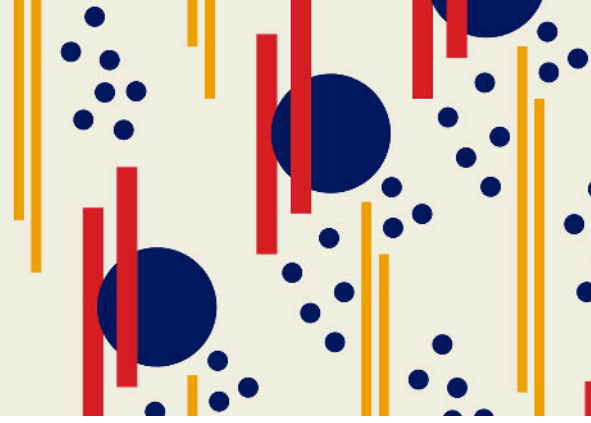


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FAQ & Key Concepts

About the Red Door Fund

Q1: What is the Greater Fayette Community Foundation's Red Door Fund for Mental Health?

A: The Red Door Fund for Mental Health (RDF) is a Community Impact Fund of the Greater Fayette Community Foundation (GFCF) focused on improving mental health and well-being across rural Central Texas. The fund supports initiatives that increase access to services, build awareness, reduce stigma, and strengthen community-based support systems.

Q2: What are the strategic priorities of the Red Door Fund?

A: RDF prioritizes four key areas. Proposed projects must align with at least one of these priorities:

- Increasing access to mental health providers and services
- Expanding awareness and education
- Improving affordability and accessibility of care
- Strengthening community culture, connection, and support systems

Q3: What geographic areas are eligible for funding?

A: Organizations must be located in or provide services to residents in GFCF's rural service area, including counties such as Fayette, Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, and surrounding regions outlined in the grant guidelines.

Q4: What geographic areas are eligible for funding?

A: Eligible applicants include:

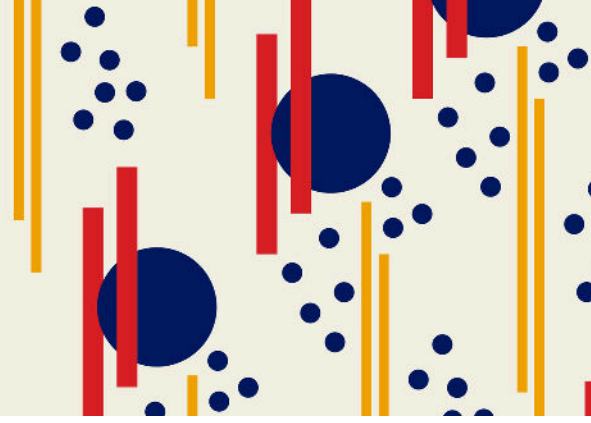
- 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations in good standing
- Collaboratives or coalitions with a 501(c)(3) lead organization
- Resident-led or grassroots initiatives with a fiscal sponsor
- Public entities such as schools, churches, and government organizations

If your organization does not have 501(c)(3) status and you are interested in applying through a fiscal sponsor, **please reach out to Jamie Lee Manning**, Sr. Director of Community Impact, at jlmanning@greaterfayette.com for guidance.

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Organizational Budget Threshold: Applicants with total annual operating budgets over \$500,000 are not eligible for Community Impact Grant funding.

- Exceptions: the following applicants may be eligible when applying for a clearly defined, community-serving project or program:
 - Public school districts / ISDs
 - Churches or faith-based organizations
 - Organizations applying on behalf of a specific program or site with an annual budget under \$500,000
- Additional Guidance: Some larger organizations operate smaller, community-based programs or sites. These may be eligible if:
 - The specific program or site budget is under \$500,000
 - The program or site clearly aligns with the purpose of the fund
 - Applicants will be asked to confirm this information during the eligibility check. Responses may determine whether an application moves forward.

Application Process & Timeline

Q5: How much funding can be requested?

A: Standard grants are awarded for 12-month terms, with a maximum award of \$5,000 and no minimum amount.

Q6: When is the application deadline?

A: The application portal opens June 1 and closes June 30 at 5:00 PM.

Q7: What does the application process look like?

- A:**
- Applications are submitted through GFCF's online portal
 - Proposals are reviewed by the Red Door Advisory Council
 - Final decisions are approved by GFCF Board of Directors
 - Awards are announced in August 2026, with funding beginning in October 2026

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Q8: What are reviewers looking for?

A: Reviewers assess:

- Alignment with Red Door priorities
- Clear community need and impact
- Feasibility and readiness
- Strength of approach and community connection

Learning, Reporting, and Support

Q9: What are the reporting requirements?

A: GFCF prioritizes learning over compliance. Grantees will participate in a flexible process that may include a conversation, site visit, or brief written update within 12 months of funding.

Q10: What support is available during the application process?

A: GFCF is committed to supporting applicants throughout the process. You are encouraged to take advantage of the following opportunities:

- **Attend in-person workshops across the service area**, including:
 - Workshops: Five in-person sessions and one webinar to provide applicant guidance.
 - June 2, 2026 | Fayette County
 - Fayette Public Library: 855 S Jefferson St, La Grange, TX 78945
 - 10:00 - 11:30 AM
 - June 2 2026 | Hays County
 - 5:00 - 6:30 PM
 - Abundant Life Christian Church: 251 Uhland Road, Suite 120, San Marcos, Texas
 - June 3, 2026 | Williamson County
 - 10:00 - 11:30 AM
 - Carver Center in Georgetown: 1200 W 17th St, Georgetown, TX 78626
 - June 3, 2026 | Bastrop County
 - 5:00 - 6:30 PM
 - Elgin Council Chambers/Civic Center: 404 N Main Street Elgin, TX 78621

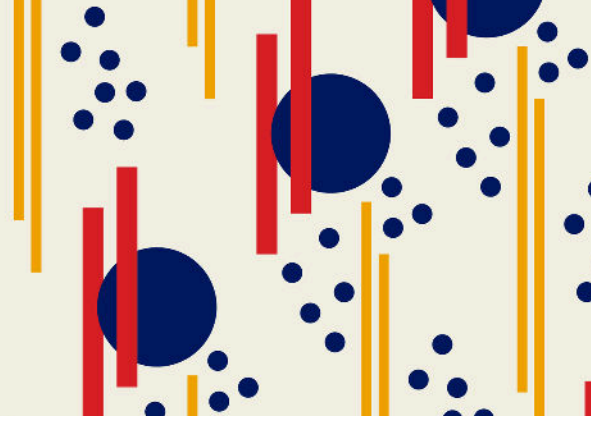
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- June 4, 2026 | Caldwell County
 - 10:00-11:30 AM
 - Resurrection Life Church: 3460 County Line Road, P.O 54, Dale, Texas 78616
- **Schedule one-on-one support sessions**, available from late May through June. To set up a time, please reach out to **Jamie Lee Manning, Sr. Director of Community Impact**, at jlmanning@greaterfayette.com

Key Concepts and Definitions

Mental Health Access

Ensuring individuals can find, afford, and navigate appropriate mental health services in their community.

Community-Based Support

Locally driven efforts that build connection, reduce isolation, and strengthen peer and informal support systems.

Stigma Reduction

Efforts that normalize mental health conversations and encourage individuals to seek care without fear or judgment.

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