IRAF Grant Application

## Overview

WOMEN’S WAY seeks to inspire and mobilize the community by investing in organizations and leaders that will advance the rights and opportunities for women and girls, and achieve gender equity for all. The Immediate Response Action Fund (IRAF) Grant seeks to quickly distribute funds to organizations to address the needs of women and girls as they arise, and that specifically address one of the following four pillars of focus:

I. Advancing and protecting reproductive freedom and health care access

II. Safety and gender-based violence

III. Economic self-sufficiency and justice

IV. Developing the leadership of girls and young women

Additionally, **the specific event, opportunity, or challenge that your organization is responding to must be unanticipated and must require urgent action.** Some examples of unanticipated events include, but are not limited to: a sudden increase in demand for services, an unexpected loss of funding, or unforeseen physical damage to a structure preventing services from being provided

**For additional priorities and criteria, please see the WOMEN’S WAY website.**

## Instructions

Please answer the following questions in this Word document. Save and submit this with the following documents to [**iraf@womensway.org**](mailto:iraf@womensway.org).

* 501 (c)(3) IRS letter or Letter of Resolution from your fiscal sponsor
* Form 990
* Project budget
* Organization budget
* Complete the brief online demographic survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/IRAFapplicant2022>

Please contact Jessica Muslin at (215) 985-3322, ext. 226 or [jmuslin@womensway.org](mailto:jmuslin@womensway.org) with any questions.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. WOMEN’S WAY will contact you to confirm receipt of your application. You will be notified of WOMEN’S WAY’s decision within 10 business days.

## Application Questions

### Organization

### Primary Contact (name, position, email, phone)

### What is the unanticipated issue you are addressing and why is there a need for an urgent response? (Examples: a sudden increase in demand for services, an unexpected loss of funding, or unforeseen physical damage to a structure preventing services from being provided.)

### Explain why your organization is unable to cover the unanticipated expense

### What size grant are you requesting and how will it be spent?

### Describe the goals that you expect to realize through receiving an IRAF grant.

### Describe how it relates to one or more of the 4 pillars.

**Describe your organization’s capacity to complete this project. What resources (e.g. staff, expertise, technology, other funding, etc.) will be used in combination with the IRAF grant to achieve the goals of this project?**

### List any other organizations involved in your project/initiative and the roles you expect each organization will play.