

Wellfleet Oyster Alliance / formerly Wellfleet SPAT Community Grant Application

Propose a project or initiative supporting Wellfleet's aquaculture or wild shellfishing community that aligns with WOA's mission.

Previous Grant Recipients include:

- MA Audubon's Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary
- The Wellfleet Conservation Commission
- Friends of the Herring River
- Wellfleet Shellfish Harvester Relief Program
- Wellfleet Elementary School
- 246 Kitchen
- Marketing Campaign
- Wellfleet Shellfish Department
- Barnstable County Cape Cod Cooperative Extension
- Town of Wellfleet Maintenance Dredging Fund
- Wellfleet Recycling Committee
- Wellfleet Council on Aging
- East Coast Shellfish Growers Association
- MA Oyster Project
- Center for Coastal Studies Provincetown

 For more information about WOA Community Grant Recipients, go to: <u>https://wellfleetspat.org/about-spat/community-grants/</u>

Wellfleet Oyster Alliance's Mission Statement

Wellfleet WOA is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt non-profit organization that produces and promotes the Wellfleet OysterFest®. The mission of the organization is to foster interest in Wellfleet's rich shellfishing industry. Our mission also includes supporting the Town of Wellfleet by educating the greater community about the benefits and value of its shellfishing history. This support takes the form of grants and scholarships awarded to local individuals or groups pursuing careers in the shellfishing industry or related fields, and in addition, the organization supports deserving causes and other organizations with a close tie to WOA's mission. Part of WOA's goal is also to support local individuals whose efforts and educational mission increase awareness of this important part of the community's livelihood. Each May, WOA awards a scholarship to a graduating Nauset Regional High School student pursuing four years of higher learning in aquaculture or a related field.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be sixteen years old or older.
- Wellfleet residents will receive first consideration. Non-residents will be considered if their projects directly support the WOA mission and are related to Wellfleet's shellfishing industry.
- All applicants must complete the form below and include a complete description of your project including its objectives, how the proposed project will support WOA's mission or benefit the community, and how the funds will be used as illustrated by a detailed budget.

- Compelling proposals greater than \$5K may be considered.
- This is a revolving application with no deadline date. Grant recipients will be notified within 6-8 weeks from the receipt of their application regarding the viability of their grant request.

WOA Community Grant Application

WOA/Wellfleet Oyster Alliance is a non-profit organization devoted to fostering a greater understanding of the history and traditions of aquaculture and wild fisheries, and to enhance the Town of Wellfleet by supporting its community.

WOA produces the annual **Wellfleet OysterFest**. Proceeds from the event support our educational mission and fund the Nauset Regional High School Scholarship and WOA Community Grant Awards programs.

Community Grants are awarded in amounts up to \$5,000 annually for programs and projects that primarily support WOA's educational mission and foster an appreciation for and increase awareness of Wellfleet's shellfishing industry. General grants are also considered to fund programs and projects that enrich the quality of life in Wellfleet, supporting nonprofit organizations that serve the health, social, educational, cultural, and environmental needs of the people who live here.

WOA Community Grant Award Application

Applicant or Organization Information

Proposed grant amount (\$5,000 or less): _____

Project Narrative

Please address the following questions, not to exceed more than two pages, and attach a completed application form.

- Project Description
- Describe your interest or involvement in Wellfleet's shellfishery or aquaculture in general.

- Project Goals and Activities
- How will this project benefit you and/or others in the Wellfleet shellfishing community? How will it enrich life in Wellfleet in general?
- Project Timeline
- Describe how you plan to measure outcomes and project success.
- Budget for Expenditures (may be attached as a separate document)

Endorsement

If you are under 18 years of age, please include the endorsement of an adult relative, friend, or teacher who will stand by you in this activity, and who has reviewed this application with you.

Name:	 	
Relationship to candidate:	 	
Phone number:	 	
Signature of endorser:		

Agreement

I accept responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided on this application. I understand that if I am awarded a Community Grant, a check will be made out to me or the organization that I represent solely to fund this project. Upon completion of my project, I will submit a project summary with the final budget to the WOA Board. This report may include supplemental materials such as photos, press, or testimonials. Applicant's Signature: _____

Date:_____

Please submit an application packet to:

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