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THE 2025 LAURA B. MORRIS MICRO-GRANT

Dear Laura B. Morris Micro-Grant Awardee,

I hope this letter finds you well.

We are pleased to share that we are now accepting proposals for the 2025 Laura B. Morris (LBM) Micro-Grant. Established in 2022, this annual award supports a select group of small, Boston-based non-profit organizations—including grassroots groups and distinct initiatives housed within larger institutions. The grant provides funding of \$500 to \$2,000 to organizations that deliver meaningful services to elderly African American/Black women living in Boston with limited financial resources.

As you may recall, this grant honors two of our beloved members: **Mrs. Laura B. Morris**, who retired in 2022 after an extraordinary sixty-one years of service, and the late **Mrs. Thelma Burns**, whose advocacy inspired us to actively seek and support smaller or emerging organizations that serve our elders with creativity, dignity, and passion.

We invite you to apply for a 2025 LBM Micro-Grant, which may fund all or part of a new or ongoing activity, program, or service. Please note a change in our funding policy: organizations that received grants in 2022 are also eligible to **apply this one last time!** In 2026, we will return to our original policy of awarding no more than three micro-grants to eligible organizations. (In 2026, we will revert to our original policy which allowed organizations to apply for and receive a maximum of three micro-grants.)

The application process is pretty straightforward: complete the attached/enclosed form, including a brief description of your organization and details about the program or project you wish to begin, expand, or maintain. **Please submit your completed application by September 19, 2025**, via one of the following methods:

- Email to me at vicepresident@grimesking.org
- Fill our [Online Application](#) (Available on [our website](#))

Also attached is our Grant Award Report Form. If your organization received a micro-grant in 2024, you are required to submit a report describing your use of the funds and outcomes. Should you require assistance or have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me directly via phone (617.983.0845) or at vicepresident@grimesking.org.

We look forward to reviewing your application and learning more about your impactful work.

Warm regards,

Rosa L. Hunter

Vice President, Board of Directors

Attachments:

1. GKF 2024 LMB Micro-Grant Award Report Form
2. GKF 2025 LMB Micro-Grant Award Application Form



THE LAURA B. MORRIS FUND ~ 2025 Micro-Grant Application Form

I. Organisation - Applicant Information

A. Organization's Name:

B. Primary Contact's Name and Position/Title:

C. Phone No.:

Email:

D. Organization's Website:

E. Mailing Address:

F. Are you an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit?

Yes

If Yes, please fill the EIN# below

No

(If not, below please provide the following information about your Fiscal Sponsor [1] and **attach a signed copy of your Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement.**)

G. EIN #:

[1] <https://www.councilofnonprofits.org/running-nonprofit/administration-and-financial-management/fiscal-sponsorship-nonprofits>

H. Fiscal Sponsor Details:

Name:

EIN #:

Primary Contact's Name and Title:

Phone No.:

Email:

Address:

I. Amount of Grant Requested (between \$500 and \$2,000):

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2. How The Funds Will Be Used

J. What is the NEED or PROBLEM your organization is trying to address?

K. How will the grant proceeds be used? Please provide a summary description of the proposed program or project.

L. What are your hoped-for outcomes? How will you define success re this initiative?

N. How many elderly, African American/Black women will this project serve?

M. How many elderly, African American/Black women do you now serve?

Full Name:

Submission Date:



THE LAURA B. MORRIS FUND ~ 2024 Micro-Grant Report From

** If you are a first-time applicant, you do not need to fill out this Form.*

Last Fall, your organization received a micro-grant from the Grimes King Foundation, with the understanding that a written report on the use of those funds was required. All those receiving a grant in 2022, the inaugural year of this grant, may recall being interviewed by one or more GKF board members. Those conversations were both enjoyable and highly informative—many thanks for your thoughtfulness and the generosity of your time.

To close out the 2024 grant cycle, we are gathering information via this questionnaire. Please provide as much information as necessary to convey how the grant proceeds received last fall were used, why, for whom, and with what results. We are also interested in the lessons learned due to your initiative(s). This report is also **due to Rosa Hunter by day's end on September 19, 2025**. Thanks in advance for your thoughtful responses to our questions. Here goes.

A. Grantee's Name:

B. Primary Contact's Name and Title:

C. Primary Contact's Phone No:

D. Primary Contact's Email:

E. How were the Laura B. Morris Micro-Grant proceeds intended to be used?

F. Did you encounter any challenges that caused you to change your plans? If so, what were they, and how did you actually use the funds?

G. What did you achieve, generally? Please share some of the outcomes that pleased, surprised, or disappointed you.

H. Upon reflection, were your expectations met? If yes, to what extent and what objective measures did you use to determine success? If not, what could you have done differently?

I. How many elderly African American/Black women were served by your project?

J. How might you have increased that number?

K. Did other populations also benefit? If yes, please describe their ages, ethnic backgrounds, and gender identities. (Example = 5 Latinx females; 2 males - 45-60; 10 White females - 60+).

L. As we begin the fourth year of the micro-grant program, what feedback do you have for us that will make this initiative - to support grassroots organizations and small programs - even more impactful?

Many thanks for all the ways you continue to support and nourish elderly African American and Black females.