

The Kawabe Memorial Fund

FOUNDATION PURPOSES: The Kawabe Memorial Fund is a private foundation established under the will of Harry S. Kawabe. The purposes of the foundation are set forth in his will, which require grants to be awarded in the three following categories:

1. **Human Services:** General operating and project support for institutions and social service agencies devoted to the care of indigent, children, and aged persons.
2. **Religious Institutions:** Capital grants to churches for improvement of physical facilities. (Most grants are to churches in the city of Seattle.) Scholarships for training of teachers, priests and ministers.
3. **Alaska Scholarships:** Scholarships to selected graduating students of Seward High School in Seward, Alaska. (Scholarships are not awarded to individuals in other schools or regions, and individual students may not apply directly to the foundation.)

GEOGRAPHICAL RESTRICTION. With the exception of the Seward scholarships, most grants are awarded to agencies and churches in the Seattle/King County area.

AVERAGE GRANT SIZE. \$5,000 to \$10,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

All grant requests must be submitted through this site: <https://www.bankofamerica.com/philanthropic/grantmaking.go>. Search for the foundation's name on the drop down menu; this will bring you to a link to the application form.

PROPOSAL DEADLINES:

Proposals must be **received** by the second Friday in March (for spring cycle), second Friday in June (for summer cycle) or second Friday in September (for fall cycle).

REVIEW PROCESS: Applicants will be notified directly of the Committee's funding decisions.

- Geography – Puget Sound area
- Amount – more typically \$5,000 or less
- Impact – general operations, clear sense of a project (e.g. \$5,000 = food backpacks for 500 kids)
- Content – write your grant to someone that does not know what a nonprofit is – don't use lingo

FOLLOW-UP INFORMATION:

- **QUESTIONS:** Please contact Natalie Lecher at (206) 406-6124
- **E-MAIL:** natalie.grantwork@gmail.com
- **TO APPLY:** Go to <https://www.bankofamerica.com/philanthropic/foundation.go>