



# Smiles Across New Mexico Grant Program Guidelines

Delta Dental of New Mexico is a not-for-profit corporation that has been serving New Mexico's oral health needs since 1971. Our focus has always been to improve the overall wellness of the people in the communities we serve through our products, advocacy, education, and philanthropy.

## Smiles Across New Mexico Grant Program Guidelines:

In considering grants, Delta Dental of New Mexico evaluates each application on its own merit. It considers the programs in which the organization is engaged, the constituencies it serves, the services it offers, its accountability and fundraising practices, and the level of local community support it attracts.

- Smiles Across New Mexico grants are limited to a maximum of either \$2,500 or \$5,000 per grant.
- Grants must be dedicated to New Mexico based programs designed to promote oral health in New Mexico with preference given to nonprofit 501(c)(3) programs.
- Of particular interest are programs designed to promote/improve the oral health of underserved children and individuals in at-risk populations.
- Only one proposal per organization per year will be considered.

Although exceptions may be made, in general, grants are not provided for building construction or to cover an organization's normal overhead expenses.

Grant recipients may reapply in future years, as long as a report detailing use/impact of the grant monies is provided with the application.

### Programs/projects considered:

Each request is reviewed in terms of its general eligibility and conformity with the grant guidelines, the amount needed to achieve the desired results, and program priority.

### Smiles Across New Mexico grants will not be awarded to/for the following:

- Capital campaigns, salaries, administrative expenses, endowments, advertising or fundraising activities
- Individuals
- Organizations that discriminate by race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, age, disability, veteran status or national origin
- Political organizations or campaigns
- Loans
- Projects developed for commercial or proprietary purposes