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Register today to learn more about **important changes** to the

Saint Luke's Foundation 2012 Grant Application Process

2012 Application Deadlines

Mark your calendars.

- > February 1, 2012
- > April 1, 2012
- > July 1, 2012
- > October 1, 2012

"We need to **rethink**, **redesign**, and **reinvent** the why, what, and how of our work in every arena. We need to reassess where we have the greatest needs so we can apply our limited resources to have the most meaningful impact."

– Mario Morino, *Leap of Reason*

Technical Assistance Session Schedule

Register now.

- > **Wednesday**
January 4, 2012
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
- > **Thursday**
January 5, 2012
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
- > **Monday**
January 9, 2012
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
- > **Tuesday**
January 10, 2012
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Location

Mandel Community Room
The Center for Families
and Children

4500 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, OH

As the Saint Luke's Foundation approaches its 15th year of grantmaking, the Foundation's board and staff remain committed to a journey of continuous learning:

Learning how to strengthen our impact and maximize
the results that we achieve in the communities we serve.

Learning about cutting-edge programs and services
that respond to changing community needs and help our
constituents make a lasting difference in people's lives.

Learning how to leverage the expertise and experience
that we have gained during our first 14 years of grantmaking.

Like all journeys of discovery, ours will continue to lead us down a path of new ideas, fresh thinking and innovative approaches to grantmaking. In that spirit, we want to make you aware of two important changes to our grant application process – and provide hands-on opportunities to help you effectively navigate these changes on behalf of your organization.

The New Grant Application Process: Things You Need to Know Now

In prior years, the Foundation's first quarter grant application deadline was the first week in January. **For 2012, the deadline has been moved to February 1.** Additionally, we have established a **new online proposal-only application process** that will combine the existing two-step Letter of Inquiry (LOI) and proposal process.

To reserve your space, please call **(216) 431-8010** or send an e-mail to ajohnson@saintlukesfoundation.org with your preferred session date.

We believe the February 1 deadline offers applicants more time to ask questions and seek clarifications before submitting a proposal. The online application is also designed to streamline the process of applying for grants, while providing the Foundation with a reliable and consistent evaluation tool.

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More Details to Come

We plan to distribute our new priorities and approach in December. Given the changes to our application process and the impending changes to our priorities, we strongly encourage you or others in your organization to attend one of several technical assistance sessions planned for January 2012 in the **Mandel Community Room at The Center for Families and Children, located at 4500 Euclid Avenue in Cleveland**. During these sessions, Foundation staff members will answer questions and help applicants better understand the Foundation's 2012 guidelines and application process.

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We value our longstanding grantee relationships, and we look proudly upon the achievements that these partnerships have generated during the past 14 years. We have learned, however, that if we are not continuously rethinking our approach, we run the risk of missing opportunities to have the most meaningful impact in the community.

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