Since our founding in 1901, Walgreen Co. and its employees have recognized the connection between strong communities and good business. The Walgreen motto, “The Pharmacy America Trusts,” reflects our belief in ethical business practices and our respect for the dedication of local volunteers in improving the quality of life in their community.

As our company grows, and we bring our stores to new markets and new neighborhoods, we bring with us a tradition of supporting the health needs of our patients. Because we cannot support every worthy nonprofit program, we have developed these guidelines to help eligible nonprofit organizations understand our priorities, procedures, and limitations.

We value the efforts of our nation’s nonprofit organizations in improving the communities Walgreens serves. We look forward to the opportunity to advance these efforts, where they overlap with the concerns of our patients, employees, industry, and corporate values.
Funding Categories
Walgreens grants are made to eligible nonprofits operating in local Walgreens communities.

Walgreens awards grants in the following program areas:
• Health
• Education: One to one mentoring and pharmacy school programs
• Civic and Community Outreach
• Emergency and Disaster Relief

Health is our major area of focus, and the largest share of our annual budget is allocated to programs that address the health needs of our patients.

Program Priorities
Within the categories, we have identified health and education as our areas of main concern. Walgreens strives to achieve demographic balance in its grant-making. Priority will be given to those requests, which most closely reflect the demographics of our patients and employees.

Programs
Single-Disease Agencies
Walgreens selects national nonprofit organizations that focus on medical research, treatment, and service for diseases such as heart disease, cancer, diabetes, arthritis; etc. The parent organization selected will receive grants. All other single-disease agencies will be ineligible for Walgreens’ special national support.

United Way
Because Walgreens is a contributor to many local United Way campaigns across the nation, agencies which are members of the United Way or which receive special grants or allocations are ineligible to apply for additional support.

Funding Limitations
Walgreens charitable funds will not be used to support:
• Any group which is not qualified as a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
• Individuals seeking educational grants, contests, pageants, or trips
• Requests of any type from fraternal, veteran, labor, or religious organizations
• Sports teams or any sports-related activity or competition
• Political, lobbying, or voter registration programs, or those supporting the candidacy of a particular individual
• Hospitals
• Capital campaigns or projects
• National headquarters of single-disease agencies, except those identified through Walgreens annual special programs
• Additional requests from organizations or institutions already receiving Walgreens Co. grant, or in-kind support within the previous 12 months
• Travel for groups or individuals
• Fund-raising benefits, program advertising, or marketing venues
• Organizations which might, in any way, pose a conflict with our corporate mission, goals, products, customers, or employees
• Sponsorships for individuals participating in cause-related events; i.e., walks, runs, races

Procedures
The Walgreens contribution budget supports qualified nonprofits in local communities and in metro-Chicago.

To apply for grant consideration, eligible nonprofits should visit our website at www.walgreens.com/about/community.html.

The following information must be provided:
1. Organization name and address and 501(c)3 documentation
2. Name and phone number of organization and contact person
3. Statement of your group’s history and purpose
4. Amount requested
5. Purpose of contribution
6. Budget for organization and specific project
7. Copy of most recent audited financial statement
8. List of Board Members
9. List of other corporate and foundation contributors
10. Demographic of group(s) served
11. Plan detailing how Walgreens will be acknowledged
12. Names, if any, of Walgreens employees connected to this project
13. List of accrediting agencies, if applicable

Please allow a minimum of 4 to 6 weeks for a response. Telephone inquiries and faxed requests are not accepted.

Local non-profit community organizations requesting auction items, merchandise or gift cards (not exceeding $20) should contact their Walgreens district office directly.