

Human Science Institute –Fiscally Sponsored Project Guidelines

Individuals, or new groups who do not have, or do not want to devote resources to establishing a non-profit to seek charitable contributions for their work often use fiscal sponsorship. The Human Science Institute is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization, approved by the State of Montana to receive charitable donations. As such, we offer individuals or groups the opportunity to seek grants or donations as an HSI sponsored project. Upon approval by the HSI Board of Directors you may solicit funds to support your project from foundations, organizations, or individuals, which they can donate to the Human Science Institute as a tax-deductible organization. HSI does not provide grant research, or grant writing support, or grants. However, HSI will need to review letters of intent, proposals, or other solicitations prior to the project submitting to potential donors.

What is required for fiscal sponsorship?

1. You must be an “Affiliate” of the Human Science Institute.
2. Your project, research, training, or community-based initiative must be relevant to the mission of the Human Science Institute.
3. Your project must have a public benefit.
4. You must submit your application via email using the format below.

Fees, Payment, and Reporting Procedures

- The HSI administrative fee is 10%.
- Donated funds for your project are kept in a “restricted” funds account.
- Donated funds for “sponsored projects” will be disbursed monthly via electronic fund transfer.
- Project leads receive a quarterly donation report.
- Projects must provide quarterly progress reports to HSI.

Mission Statement

The Human Science Institute is a transdisciplinary learning community of scholars and practitioners dedicated to creating a humane and ecologically sustainable global future through education and research. Founded by Human Science scholars, researchers, students, and professionals, HSI supports the work of those responding to the challenges of our times by promoting a transdisciplinary framework that respects the multiplicity of views and ways of knowing in our diverse global community.

Project Areas and Topics

Whatever the specific topic, your research, writing, training, or community project must serve the mission of the Institute and illustrate perspectives drawn from the Human Science tradition. That is, your work should be grounded in an appreciation of diverse ways of knowing, cognizant of different cultural contexts and alternate perspectives, and focused on responding to real world problems.

To Apply for Fiscal Sponsorship, please submit a letter with the following:

- Your name and contact information.
- A brief bio of yourself and/or other participants
- An abstract of your proposed project
- Type and amount of funding you will seek
- A brief rationale demonstrating your projects relationship to the mission of the Human Science Institute.
- If we believe your project aligns with HSI's mission and values, a more complete proposal will be requested.
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Send the application as an email attachment to: info@humanscienceinstitute.org with the subject line: fiscal sponsorship application.