2022 Giving Guidelines and FAQS

At Pratt & Whitney we are laser-focused on innovation and performance – it's how we design, manufacture and maintain the world's best and most advanced aircraft engines.

We treat our Corporate Citizenship program with the same caliber, driving transformative, generational impact on critical societal challenges and community needs by investing in:
- Our Future: STEM Education
- Our Heroes: Veterans & Military Families
- Our Communities: Community & Environmental Wellbeing

Funding and Eligibility

Pratt & Whitney accepts unsolicited applications for charitable grant funding online from July 1 to September 15 annually. Pre-approved applicants can apply at any time of the year.

Grant requests will be reviewed continuously, with decisions and payment typically being rendered within 60 days of submission.

To be considered for funding, organizations must meet the following criteria:

- The program in which funds are requested must align with Pratt & Whitney's three pillars.
- The organization must be a permanent, tax-exempt 501(c)3 organization or international equivalent and can provide financial statements from the previous year.
- The organization is not a private foundation.
- Pratt & Whitney current or previous employee engagement is preferred, but not required.

Funding will not be considered for the following purposes:

- Memorials, endowments, and annual campaigns
- Requests that benefit individuals or families
- Fraternal, labor, or social organizations
- Sports teams, sport events, sporting capital campaigns, and scholarships designated for athletes
- Gifts, door prizes or raffles
- Sports equipment
- Political candidates, campaigns, or organizations
- Faith-based organizations for religious purposes
- Deficit reduction
- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, national origin, disability, veteran status, or any additional discriminator selection not specifically mentioned are not eligible for consideration

Our grant application platform is not the approved method to process the following requests, regardless of an organization's nonprofit status.

- *Memberships to organizations such as Professional Societies, Semi-professional Societies and Industry Clubs, Trade Associations, Chambers of Commerce, and other clubs where such memberships relate primarily to the business and is considered beneficial to the business.*
- *Corporate Sponsorships not run by a 501(c)3*
- *College and University research and sponsored research*
- *Sponsorship of a conference, convention, symposium, airshow or other event hosted by a trade or professional organization*
- *Golf tournament sponsorship*

Because Pratt & Whitney usually receives funding requests in excess of the annual grant program budget, we must decline support to worthy organizations and programs. We may also decide to decrease support to organizations we have previously funded so that we may explore other community engagements. Support from Pratt & Whitney should not be expected to continue in perpetuity, and declination of a charitable giving request does not reflect a negative appraisal of the organization or the value of its programs and services.

Grant Application: Frequently Asked Questions

In 2022, all Raytheon Technologies division business (including Pratt & Whitney) began a partnership with Benevity to administer the company's charitable contributions through their Versaic platform. All funding requests for consideration must be submitted online via the grant application.

If you're a nonprofit organization requesting funds for a program, project, or event sponsorship, you will need to first register within the Benevity Causes Portal before completing a Pratt & Whitney charitable giving request.

What is the Benevity Cause Portal? How do I register my organization?

Benevity is a third-party provider that helps connect nonprofits with hundreds of corporations. Within the Benevity Causes Portal you can create a cause profile, complete a Self-Certification Declaration, set up preferred payment information, and include impact stories for potential funders. Nonprofits wishing to receive funds from Raytheon Technologies or any of its divisions, including Pratt & Whitney, should register.

Learn more here about registering and creating your profile with Benevity Causes. If you need help registering, please visit this Benevity site on how to register and claim your profile or submit a support request here. If you have any questions regarding Benevity and the Causes Portal or need any support, please visit the Benevity Resource Hub or reach out to the Benevity Causes Team at causes@benevity.org.

Once I've registered with the Benevity Cause Portal, where do I apply?

https://rtx.versaic.com/. Please note, our open grant program cycle is from July 1 to September 15 annually. If you received an invite code to apply, you may apply at any time of the year.

Do I have to create an account with Versaic?

Yes, you have to create a personal account in order to submit a grant application. Once in your account you can create a new grant application and associate each application with your Benevity Cause Portal account. We recommend that you have only one Versaic account for your entire organization and share the login information with only key employees.

How long will it take to receive a response to a grant application?

Grant requests will be reviewed continuously, with decisions and payment typically being rendered within 60 days of submission. Please note that we are not able to provide technical critiques of proposals.

What information will I need to provide in the grant?

Details about your organization, such as:
- Mission, vision, leadership (senior staff and board of directors) composition, annual budget.
- How your organization is different from other organizations working on the same issue.
- Have you previously received funding from Pratt & Whitney or Raytheon Technologies in any way?

Information about your funding request such as:
- Detailed project description, including its purpose, goals and why funding is needed.
- Project budget and the amount you're requesting.
- Project dates, including when the funds are needed.

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What information will I need to provide in the grant? (cont.)

- Describe your audience or population who will be served or impacted.
- How many will directly benefit from this project per year?
- Will your organization or the project provide volunteer opportunities for Pratt & Whitney employees?
- List specific visibility opportunities or ways that Pratt & Whitney will be recognized.
- List community partners you will work with and describe the partnership and each partner's role.
- Provide details about all other sources of funding that you have received
- What are the measurable results of this project?

Documents related to your organization, which may include (but are not limited to) the following:

- **For U.S.-based organizations**: your W-9 form, IRS determination letter, 990 form, annual report, program/event brochure, etc.
- **For Canada-based organizations**: Confirmation of your charitable status with the Canada Revenue Agency (a screen capture saved in a PDF file of your registration number and charity details), annual report, program/event brochure, etc.
- **For India-based organizations**: Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) Certificate, most recent FRCA Return in Form FC-3, Registration Certificate under Section 12A of IT Act, GST Registration Certificate (include annexure A & B), Audited Accounts of the last three financial years, IT Exemption Certification under Section 35AC -- OR -- IT Exemption (lifetime validity) Certificate under Section 80G, PAN Registration, & Annual Reports of last three financial years
- **For organizations based outside of the U.S., Canada and India**: official government document confirming your charitable status, annual report, program/event brochure, etc.

Will I have to sign a donation agreement?

If funding is approved and over $50,000, you will later be prompted to commit to a donation/grant agreement.

What if I have a previous multi-year donation agreement that covers funds for this grant period?

Pratt & Whitney does not typically sign multi-year donation agreements. If you do have a donation agreement that covers the year you are applying for (ex. a donation agreement signed in 2020 for three years, covering 2022), you should upload that in your initial application.

Do I have to be Impact Verified?

It is not necessary for a nonprofit to be Impact Verified through Impact Genome to receive funding from Pratt & Whitney. However, it is preferred. You can prepare for application season by completing the free Impact Genome verification here.

Is the application offered in languages other than English?

Unfortunately, the application is only offered in English.

What if I have more questions?

If you have further questions, please get in touch with the Pratt & Whitney Corporate Citizenship team at corporatecitizenship@prattwhitney.com