



Annual D.C. Co-op Impact Grant Application

The D.C. Co-op Impact Grant aims to support cooperatives while catalyzing growth, boosting the localized economy in marginalized communities, and providing catalytic capital to attract other funders. In 2025, we plan to award \$7,500 to two cooperatives in the metro D.C. area.

This grant opportunity is available to cooperatives in D.C., surrounding Maryland counties, and Northern Virginia, led by people of color and/or members of a historically disinvested community. Housing cooperatives are not eligible for this grant.

Please submit your completed applications to gwceo@rochdalecapital.org.

Applications are **due Friday, November 21, 2025**. Awards will be announced in early January.

1. Are you a cooperative business (existing or start-up) in the DC metro region being led by people of color and/or located in a historically disinvested community?

Yes No

2. Where is your cooperative business located? Please provide your address.

3. What is the name of the cooperative business?

4. Are you a previous recipient of a D.C. Co-op Impact Grant?(Previous grantees will only be considered for a new scope of work that expands the project in a meaningful way.)

Yes No

- 4a. If you are a previous D.C. Co-op Impact Grant recipient, please list the year(s) and name of the organization in which you were a recipient.

5. How would you describe the stage of development for your co-op?

6. How would you define your co-op sector?

If Other selected, please specify below.

7. Briefly describe the mission of your cooperative, how/why it was started, and a recent accomplishment (300 Words or Less).

8. Describe the size of your cooperative in terms of membership, employee count, and market reach.

9. Please provide a brief summary of your cooperative business's financial performance and scale.

Include key indicators such as annual revenue, profit margins, total assets, growth trends, and any significant financial milestones achieved.
(300 Words or Less)

10. How is your business using the cooperative model to encourage growth of quality jobs and services; leadership development; and asset building in communities of color and/or historically disinvested communities in the D.C. area?(300 Words or Less)

11. How do you engage the community in strategy and decision-making? Which communities (be specific) are most impacted by your work? How are people of color and/or historically disinvested communities represented in leadership roles? (300 Words or Less)

12. What goal will the D.C. Co-op Impact grant help you achieve? Please include at least one S.M.A.R.T. (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely) goal. (300 Words or Less)

13. How will the grant funds be used? Please be specific and/or submit a budget. (300 Words or Less)

14. Describe the biggest current or anticipated challenge related to your goal and how you plan to address this challenge. (300 Words or Less)

15. If you receive this grant, how do you plan to share your work and document your success? (website, social media, etc.)

How might current or future developments from your co-op impact the cooperative ecosystem in the D.C. area? (300 Words or Less)

16. If selected, do you grant permission to have your likeness, the name of your business, and be publicly named as a D.C. Co-op Impact Grant recipient.

This agreement includes participation in events and interviews related to the grant program.

Yes

No

17. Please provide your contact information below.

Primary Contact Person

Email Address

Phone Number

Website