

Parameters for Being Considered by Forest Acres City Council for an HTAX Grant

1. Pursuant to the policies stated below an ad hoc subcommittee of City Council will survey the community to identify grant making opportunities. Once identified, the subcommittee will make recommendations on funding to the full council.
2. The subcommittee will establish grant eligibility for public organizations occupying a building, place, or institution devoted to the acquisition, conservation, study, exhibition, and educational interpretation of objects having scientific, historical, or artistic value. Such organizations must typically be identified as bona fide state tourism destinations. The recipient must have a written plan for the use of funds and identify how the expenditure of HTAX funds is for a valid public purpose and will enable the organization to achieve its goal(s) of serving the public interest. A grantee in this category must provide direct educational benefit to the citizens of Forest Acres by means of special learning opportunities for children and adults.
3. The subcommittee may extend grant eligibility to activities or entities located within the city limits of Forest Acres (which do not fall within category 2) if evidence is provided that the project to be funded represents a direct tourism related benefit to the City of Forest Acres. Such an activity would have the intent of boosting generation of HTAX revenue. Such recipients must have 501(c)(3) status.