

September 1, 2026

DeKalb Township is now accepting applications for the 2026 Human Services Funding cycle.

To be considered for funding, organizations must meet all of the following eligibility requirements:

- Be a registered not-for-profit organization
- Have maintained not-for-profit status for at least 12 months prior to application deadline **and** currently be active and in good standing with the State of Illinois
- Offer a program or service that directly serves and benefits DeKalb Township residents
- Provide services that support one or more of the following populations:
 - Seniors
 - Youth
 - Individuals with disabilities
 - Economically disadvantaged individuals

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All required application materials must be received by **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 1, 2026**. Late or incomplete submissions will not be considered.

Applicants must submit the application materials in both of the following formats:

1. **ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION:** Email all required materials in a single PDF to Mary Hess, Township Supervisor, at supervisor@dekalbtownship.org
2. **HARD COPY SUBMISSION:** Deliver one completed printed copy to:
DeKalb Township - 2323 S. 4th Street - DeKalb, IL 60115

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Completed 2026 Human Services Funding Application
- Agency's current organizational budget
- Current list of Board of Directors
- Most recent organizational audit (only electronic version is required)
- Most recent IRS Form 990
- Optional brochures or other supplemental materials

ORGANIZATIONS AND REQUESTS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

The following are not eligible to apply:

- Individuals
- Public schools
- Taxing bodies or their subsidiaries
- Organizations seeking funds to provide cash grants directly to individuals rather than services.

We recognize that many agencies are experiencing increased financial challenges due to reductions in state and federal support. Although DeKalb Township's resources are limited, we remain committed to supporting our community partners and the residents we collectively serve. Please be aware, however, that funding is determined annually and cannot be guaranteed from one year to the next.

Questions about the application process can be directed to Mary Hess, Township Supervisor, at (815) 758-8282, or email supervisor@dekalbtownship.org.

Thank you for your dedication to serving the DeKalb Township community.