

Ruth and Paul Dickinson Trust Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What does the Board of Directors look for when reviewing applications?

If you're applying under the general section, they look for several things: whether your organization is located within Central and Southern Oklahoma, primarily exists to meet human need, alleviate human suffering, and/or promotes the development of young people.

If you're applying under the medical section, they look for several things: whether your organization assists and provides for medical research and medical care for the needy, is an acute care hospital, operates in conjunction with an accredited school of medicine, school of nursing, research hospital, or other institutions providing medical care and treatment within the United States.

The above factors are not intended to be an exhaustive list of considerations. The Board of Directors must also consider the limited funds available versus the number of applications received and the corresponding amounts requested. On average, about \$43,000 total is available to award amongst worthy applicants.

The last will and testament of Paul Dickinson, Sr. states that all applicant organizations should be organized to carry out functions and provide services in a manner consistent with Southern Baptist traditions and beliefs. How seriously is this factor considered?

Very. We take seriously our fiduciary responsibility to remain true to the governing document of this trust and to carry out the grant process in a manner which honors Ruth and Paul Dickinson.

May my organization apply under both sections, general and medical?

Yes. However, please remember that the purpose for which you're applying under each section should be consistent with the specific criteria for each section.

When will my organization know whether funds have been granted to us?

The Board of Directors will review grant applications at its January board meeting. Your organization will be notified as to the approval or rejection of its grant application soon afterward. Distribution checks will be mailed in early February.

Where do I send my application and enclosures for submission?

Please mail or fax completed forms to: WatersEdge Ruth and Paul Dickinson Trust 300 Johnny Bench Dr., Suite 220 Oklahoma City, OK 73104

Who can I contact with questions?

You may contact Tamara Hill by email at thill@WatersEdge.com or by phone at 405-605-4260.