Letters of Inquiry to The Stocker Foundation

Any organization that has not previously submitted a proposal to The Stocker Foundation, received a declination the last time a proposal was submitted, or has not yet received IRS tax-exemption status **must first submit a Letter of Inquiry to the Foundation a** *minimum of six weeks* **before the submission deadline.**

All Letters of Inquiry should be no more than 2-3 pages and should include:

- A brief summary of the project or need.
- A project budget that details how funding from The Stocker Foundation would be used (including the amount to be requested from the Foundation).
- All other funding pending or committed.
- A timeline of implementation.

If your organization will be using a **fiscal agent**, please include a letter of support from the agent as well as the agent's 501(c)(3) exemption letter.

If your organization received a **declination** the last time a proposal was submitted to The Stocker Foundation, please indicate what the name of the project was and when the declination was issued.

Letters of Inquiry must reach the Foundation office no later than 5:00 pm on the following dates:

Letter of Inquiry Due	Proposal Deadline*
December 9, 2002	January 15, 2003
April 3, 2003	May 15, 2003
July 3, 2003	August 15, 2003

*If Trustees are interested in receiving a full proposal, staff will notify the organization within two weeks of the proposal submission deadline, and will give direction as to **which cycle** the proposal should be submitted.

Funding is not guaranteed—Trustees will evaluate each proposal on its individual merits and in accordance with available dollars for that particular grant cycle.

Please contact Patricia O'Brien, Executive Director, at (440) 246-5719 or pobrien@stockerfoundation.org if you have any further questions.

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