



SUMMARY OF GRANT EVALUATION PROCESS

The grant evaluation process involves multiple steps. The first step in the process includes an internal staff review to insure that the application provides adequate information and complies with the requirements set forth in the “[Grants and Funding Policy](#)” of Alliance Defending Freedom.

After the internal review is completed, applications submitted under our normal review process are independently reviewed by the Grants Review Council (GRC). The GRC is made up of seven volunteer attorneys, who are experts in various areas of the law directly relating to the mission of Alliance Defending Freedom. The GRC meets every month. (View a copy of the [Monthly Grant Review Schedule](#).) The recommendations of the GRC are then communicated to the Board of Directors of Alliance Defending Freedom who makes final determinations as to funding.

The integrity of the grant review process requires strict adherence to the published policy, and compliance with the formal evaluation process. The policy is published to allow allies to understand the criteria used to evaluate and prioritize grant requests, and the procedural safeguards that have been implemented to allow for objective review of all requests so as to maximize alliance building.