



Focus Ahead is a North Dakota based 501c(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to raise awareness, advocate, and accelerate research for those affected by rare retinal diseases including Inherited Retinal Dystrophies. Our Focus is on enhancing community awareness on blindness and moving Ahead towards treatment.

2025 Focus Ahead Grant Application Overview

We are pleased to offer grants for children under the age of 18, living in the state of ND who are affected by rare retinal diseases. The Focus Ahead Grant is designed to fund the following types of needs. The list is not limited and meant to be suggestive only in nature.

- Seeing Aids (i.e. Technology Focused items, Mobility Canes, etc)
Maximum award = \$750
- Transportation costs (i.e. Transit/housing for out of state Medical Appointments, Trials, etc)
Maximum award = \$1,500

The items above are meant to be used as suggestions. If there is another request not listed, the board will consider the application. Awardees will be asked to give a final report or testimonial of how the grant was used as well as be willing to have their testimonial used publicly by Focus Ahead.

Important Dates

The grant application cycle runs from *June 1 – August 30th*. Applications can be downloaded from the website, completed and mailed to:

Focus Ahead
4302 13th Ave S, Ste 4-336
Fargo, ND 58103

** Please note that submitting an application for a grant is not a guarantee that a grant will be awarded. Please allow 45 days for a response.*

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Focus Ahead Grant Application – Requestor Information	
Name of Child	
Name of Requestor	
Address	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Focus Ahead Grant Application – Request Details	
Type of Request	
Amount of Request <i>(Please refer to maximum amounts)</i>	
Summary of Request <i>(may be submitted in a separate document)</i>	

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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Board Review	
Date Received	
Date Reviewed	
Name of Child	
Grant Decision	
Amount Approved <i>(if applicable)</i>	
Notes	
Follow-up Completed	Date: Board Member:
Board President	
Secretary	