



THE
JACQUES PÉPIN
FOUNDATION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

2025 CARL ROBERT “BOB” WESEN MEMORIAL GRANT FOR A MALE GRADUATE OF A JPF GRANT- AWARDED COMMUNITY KITCHEN PROGRAM.

In honor of JPF Executive Director Rollie Wesen’s late father, the JPF offers the “**Bob Wesen Memorial Grant**”. This grant is a \$5,000 unrestricted award, to a top male graduate of a JPF grant-awarded community kitchen program. All JPF grant awardees from any previous year will be invited to nominate 1 graduate per year for this award, to be distributed in June.

Qualification Requirements:

- Applicant/nominee must be nominated by staff member from an organization that has received funding from the JPF.
- Applicant must be a top, male graduate of the culinary training program. This grant is intended to be awarded to an adult.
- Application must include Cover Page and Video Personal Statement. The nominee may also submit a short-written statement to accompany the video.

Awarded Nominee will have:

- Demonstrable need
- Clear potential for personal and/or professional growth
- Commitment to the craft of cooking and/or a willingness or passion to grow food for others.

Deadline for submissions: May 16, 2025. Please email submission materials to:

Rollie@jp.foundation AND jpassistant@jp.foundation

cc: Jennifer@jp.foundation

Please email questions to Jennifer@jp.foundation. We look forward to receiving your application. Please be aware that although we would very much like to be able to support all the proposals we receive, the Foundation simply does not have the capacity to fund every project. Our team will evaluate each submission and narrow applicants down based on criteria as well as the goals of this Memorial Grant.

COVER SHEET REQUIRED FOR ALL PROPOSALS

Date of application: _____

Name of JPF-awarded organization: _____

Name, Title, Email of Staff Member (s) Nominating Applicant/Submitting Application:

Name of Grant Applicant: _____

Email of Grant Applicant: _____

Date Grant Applicant Completed Culinary Program: _____

Has this graduate of your program received a functional knowledge of food safety and the attainment of a food handlers' certification? Yes

Is this graduate currently working in the culinary industry? Yes or No

Comments, if applicable: _____

Please tell us (200-word max) why this graduate should be a recipient of the JPF Carl Robert Wesen Memorial Grant? _____

The nominee will submit a brief video as a personal statement. The video does not need to be professionally shot; it may be shot on a cell phone. The nominee may also submit a short (300-word max) written statement to accompany the video.

Please email link to personal video so that it can be downloaded and/or copied to our grants cloud platform for easy viewing. Please email jennifer@jp.foundation with any questions about grant submission. Thank you!

PROMPTS for Personal Video:

- Please tell us a little about your background.
- Why does the culinary trade interest you?
- How has your culinary training at your community kitchen changed your life?
- What will you do with the money if you are awarded the grant?
- What long-term goals do you have?