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MFW Sample Budgets

The following samples were selected from successful grant applications to help you create your budget. If you would like further clarification, please contact the MFW grants administrator at demingfund@gmail.com

Sample 1: Travel Expenses

I will use the funds to support a weekend visit to the ____ art exhibit at the ____ Museum. The budget below is based on current costs as of January 2023. I have not applied to other funds to support this project.

Proposed budget:

- Roundtrip flight	\$365
- Lodging for 3 nights	\$800
- Food	\$200
- Transportation	\$100
- Museum admission (2 visits)	\$35

TOTAL REQUEST: \$1500

Sample 2: Loss of Income

BUDGET REQUEST: \$2,000

I will be on sabbatical for the coming academic year. During this time, the University reduces my salary significantly. Support from the Barbara Deming Memorial Foundation will supplement my income, and I expect to use the grant for living expenses, especially the cost of housing.

Sample 3: Caretaker**Project Cost:**

\$500 for 2 weeks at the _____ Foundation or five nights (\$100 per night) at a self-funded writing retreat.

Rationale:

I am a caregiver for my father-in-law who has Parkinson's. This responsibility is unpaid. It also does not leave me much mental space to write. I would like to use the money from the Barbara Deming Memorial Fund to fund a writing retreat this summer, when my husband is not teaching. I have applied to the _____ Foundation in _____. If I were to be awarded a residency, it would cost \$250 per week. Ideally, I would stay two weeks. If I were not awarded a residency, I would like to create my own writing retreat and stay at an Airbnb in _____ where cabins can be rented for approximately \$100 per night. I am also applying for a Courage to Write Grant, the First Pages Prize, and the PEN Emerging Voices Fellowship.

Sample 4: Freelancer

I am requesting \$1500 to cover my living expenses and provide me with time to draft and revise my manuscript. As a low-income self-employed/freelance worker who is a single parent without family support, I cannot take a break from earning income in order to work on my book. This grant would allow me time off work while my son is at summer camp so that I can make significant progress on my writing project.