



## 2018 Grant Cycle Information

Each fall, nonprofit organizations serving Chippewa County are encouraged to apply for discretionary grants through the Community Foundation of Chippewa County. Thanks to the generosity of fund holders and donors, discretionary grants are made possible through growing Unrestricted, Field of Interest, and Board Grant Fund resources. Last year, the Foundation awarded grants ranging from \$200 - \$10,000 to a variety of organizations. Additional grants are also disbursed to local nonprofits from Designated, Donor-Advised, and Agency Funds through the Foundation.

Because of Northwestern Bank's generosity, School Mini-Grants (up to \$250 each) are also available to Chippewa County 3rd - 8th grade educators to fund field trips, library books, equipment for science experiments, community projects, and much more.

### Do you qualify?

To be awarded a grant through the Community Foundation of Chippewa County:

- Your project must benefit citizens of Chippewa County
- Your organization must be classified as 501 (c)(3) under the Internal Revenue Code \*
- Your charitable purposes must be defined as deductible under 170(b)(1)(a) of the Internal Revenue Code

Read more on our Grants page online: <http://www.yourlegacyforever.org/apply-for-a-grant>

*\* Public Schools and government agencies are considered to be the charitable equivalent to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, so are eligible to apply.*

## Grant Cycle Timeline

### **Friday, September 7, 2018**

*Discretionary grant and Northwestern Bank School Mini-grant applications available online*

Grant applications are available on the [Foundation's webpage](#) in early September.

- **Discretionary Grants** are available to nonprofits serving Chippewa County
- **Northwestern Bank School Mini Grants** are available to Chippewa County 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade school educators

## **Do you receive grant emails from us?**

If you are on our Grants list, you will receive a reminder email when applications are available online, as well as reminders as the informational meetings and application deadlines approach. If you are not part of our list, email us at [grants@yourlegacyforever.org](mailto:grants@yourlegacyforever.org) to be added today.

## **Friday, November 2, 2018**

*All grant applications are due by 5:00 PM*

Both discretionary and Northwestern Bank School Mini-grant applications must be emailed as a PDF to [grants@yourlegacyforever.org](mailto:grants@yourlegacyforever.org), mailed (CFCC, P.O. Box 153 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729) or dropped off at the Foundation office (404 ½ N. Bridge St., Chippewa Falls) by 5:00 PM on Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Supporting documents must be included.

## **Early December 2018**

*Grants Committee reviews applications and makes funding recommendations.*

The Foundation's Grants Committee reviews each application and provides funding recommendations to be approved by the Board of Directors.

## **Early January 2019**

*Applicants are notified of grant awards*

All applicants will be notified via email in early January about grant awards for the 2018 Grant Cycle.

- Following the e-mail and if awarded, the check and supporting documents will be mailed to grant recipients. A grant contract will be included with the check. This must be completed and returned to the Foundation immediately. The included progress report should be completed and returned upon completion of the project. Copies of photos (digital only), videos, articles and other publicity the project received are welcomed and may be included.
- If denied, applicants are encouraged to apply again next year. As the Foundation continues to grow, there will be increasing dollars available to grant.

## **Questions?**

- Visit our [Grants webpage @ www.yourlegacyforever.org/apply-for-a-grant](http://www.yourlegacyforever.org/apply-for-a-grant)
- Email us at [grants@yourlegacyforever.org](mailto:grants@yourlegacyforever.org) or call the Foundation office at (715) 723-8125