Hardy County Community Foundation Request for Proposal



The Hardy County Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation, was founded in 2007 to help donors create endowed funds to benefit their favorite charitable organizations and interests in Hardy County through grants and scholarships. Competitive grants are available from two funds during the 2021 winter/spring grant cycle. Grants of up to \$1,000 will be awarded.

Available Grant Funding Opportunities

The Hardy County Community Impact Fund was established by its Charter Board members to support projects and programs that address local community needs. Applications will be considered for programs or projects serving Hardy County in the following areas: Animal Welfare, Arts & Culture, Children & Youth, Community & Economic Development, Education, the Environment, Health & Wellness, and Human Services.

The Deanna Wilson and J Cavanagh STEM Fund was established to help advance the understanding of and interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math among Hardy County students and to provide students who might not otherwise be able the resources to attend school-related trips. Applications will be considered for programs that provide one or more of the following:

- Support for students in grades K-12 (preference for female students) to attend STEM-related camps and activities
- Support for students in grades K-12 with financial need to attend school-based field trips and activities
- Support for students in grantees K-12 to attend school-based competitions related to STEM subjects (i.e. Math Field Day, robotics competitions, etc.)
- Training for teachers to expand their ability to teach and provide mentoring in STEM related fields

Eligible Organizations must be:

- A nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization in good standing with the IRS,
- A government/quasi-governmental agency, or public school applying for a project that is not funded by tax revenue,
- A religious organization requesting funding for non-sectarian activities, or
- A civic group that is not a 501(c)(3) organization requesting funding for a charitable community cause

Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Be located in and/or primarily serve residents of Hardy County;
- Be non-discriminatory in the hiring of staff or in providing services on the basis of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, national origin or disability.

Application Period and Grant Notification:

Applications must be submitted by email (<u>apancake@ewvcf.org</u>) or fax (1-888-507-8375) by March 26th, 2021. Grantees will be notified by April 16th.

Reporting: A final report, including a summary of grant expenses, must be provided to the Community Foundation upon completion of the funded program or by December 15th, 2021. Extensions may be allowed upon request.

2021 Grant Application

(If filling this form out electronically, be sure to save it to your computer prior to entering information)

Organization:	FEIN:
Contact:	
Address:	City, State, Zip:
E-mail:	Phone:
Organization Type: _	501(c)(3) Gov. Agency/School Church Other Nonprofit
Project Name:	Project Start/End Dates:
Amount Requested: \$_	Estimated # of Project Beneficiaries Directly Aided:
Grant Category:	_Impact Fund STEM Fund unding criteria for both, you may check both categories)

Please attach the following:

- 1. Project narrative and budget of no more than three (3) pages which include:
 - Overview of applicant organization mission/goals; services you provide to the community
 - □ Program description & Expected Outcomes What is the need? What will you do? Who will benefit?
 - □ Program/project budget (income & expenses for specific program/project only; If there are other sources of support for the proposed project, please list them with amounts)
- 2. Board member list with short bios
- 3. Most recent annual organizational budget
- 4. Most recent Financial Statement/balance sheet
- 5. IRS Letter of Determination (only new applicants)

Items 2-5 are not required of government agencies, public schools, and churches.

501(c)(3) organizations must be in good standing with:

- West Virginia Secretary of State's Business & Licensing and also the Charities Division: http://apps.sos.wv.gov/business/corporations/ & https://sos.wv.gov/business/Pages/Charities.aspx
- IRS, as assessed via IRS Pub 78 and GuideStar: https://apps.irs.gov/app/eos/ & https://www.guidestar.org

By submitting this application, you consent to and acknowledge that the Community Foundation may share information about the application and/or your organization with our staff, donors, advisors, and volunteers. *Please contact us with any questions or concerns. We're happy to talk through a project idea with you.*

Email or fax this Application and all support materials on or before March 26th. *Email:* <u>apancake@ewvcf.org</u> * Fax: 1-888-507-8375

Phone: (304) 538-3431*