



2017 GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURES

About the Floyd County Community Foundation

The Floyd County Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization created by and for the people of Floyd County. The Foundation's mission is to strengthen Floyd County communities by encouraging charitable giving to create legacies for the future. Our grants are designed to act as a catalyst for community transformation and growth, enriching the lives of area citizens. We look for new ways to have a positive impact on Floyd County through innovative and high-impact grants.

What We Support

The Floyd County Community Foundation provides grants to improve life in Floyd County, Iowa. We want to help develop communities that people want to live in, as well as to benefit rural areas of the county. Foundation funding supports projects in the following program areas:

ART AND CULTURE

HEALTH

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

EDUCATION

HUMAN SERVICE

ENVIRONMENT

Within these broad categories, we look for projects that meet these threshold criteria:

- Is the project feasible?
- Is there a great need for the project?
- Is Community Foundation funding critical to the project's success?
- Is the project a catalyst for other positive outcomes or a building block for a larger community goal?
- Does the project involve collaboration among communities?

If your project meets these criteria, it may have a better chance of receiving funding.

Applying for a Grant

Applicants interested in seeking grants from the Floyd County Community Foundation should fully review these grant guidelines prior to submitting an application to ensure all eligibility requirements are met.

Applications must be submitted through the foundation's online grant management system. Visit www.floydccf.org to access the online grant system, and to find additional resources for grant seekers.

All application materials must be submitted through the online submission system.

It is suggested that applicants, in particular first-time applicants, contact Program Manager Dotti Thompson to explore the appropriateness of requests and for any further guidance. (See below)

Eligibility to Apply for Funding

- **Applicants must be tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations or government entities.** Charitable projects conducted by tax-exempt organizations classified as *other* than 501(c)(3) may also be eligible. Please contact our office with questions about eligibility.
- If an organization is NOT a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, or equivalent, they must partner with an eligible Legal Applicant or Fiscal Sponsor, who must submit the application. ***Fiscal Sponsors are legally and financially responsible for awarded funds.***
- One request per organization (exceptions: government entities or Fiscal Sponsor organizations).
- There are no set of criteria that, if met, will guarantee funding.
- If the organization has received past funding from the Floyd County Community Foundation, all grant reporting must be up to date and in good standing.

Applications must be submitted by 11:59 pm on September 30, 2017

Late, incomplete, or hard copy applications will not be considered. Incomplete applications are those that are in DRAFT mode at the time of the application deadline.

Grant Decisions

- Grants from the Floyd County Community Foundation will be approved in December 2017.
- All applicants will be notified of the results of the grant process by mid-December 2017.
- Grant awards will be presented at a ceremony in January 2018.

Grant Conditions

Awarded applicants are required to:

- Sign a Terms of Grant agreement which clarifies legal parameters for use of the grant.
- Submit a Grant Report by July 31, 2018 on the outcome of the funded project.

Questions

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact Dotti Thompson, program manager, at 319-243-1358 or dthompson@cfneia.org with any questions on submission procedures or eligibility.

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