



2017 GRANT GUIDELINES

What is the Franklin County Community Foundation

The Franklin County Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa, is created by and for the people of Franklin County. The Community Foundation's main goals are to support Franklin County and to attract additional funds to assist donors in creating lasting legacies through a variety of giving options within Franklin County.

What We Support

The Franklin County Community Foundation will provide grants to improve life in Franklin County, Iowa. We want to help develop communities that people want to live in, as well as to benefit rural areas of the county. Areas of Foundation giving are:

ART AND CULTURE

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT

EDUCATION

ENVIRONMENT

HEALTH

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

HUMAN SERVICE

Eligibility to Apply for Funding

- Applying organizations must be tax-exempt, non-profit entities classified by the IRS as 501(c)(3) organizations or government entities. If an organization is NOT classified by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, or equivalent, they must partner with an eligible Legal Applicant/Fiscal Sponsor, who must submit the application. ***Fiscal Sponsors are legally and financially responsible for funds that are approved and granted from the Franklin County Community Foundation.*** If you have questions about eligibility or this classification, please contact our administrative office at 319-243-1358.
- Grant requests should not exceed \$10,000, and applicants should match at least 20% of the requested amount. Match may be cash or in-kind (only half of the 20% may be in-kind).
- One application per organization is preferred; however, organizations may submit multiple applications but should be aware that the FCCF may not be able to fund all applications.
- There are no set of criteria that, if met, will guarantee funding.
- If the organization has received past funding from the Franklin County Community Foundation, all grant reporting must be up to date and in good standing, or they will be considered ineligible to apply.

CONSIDER APPLYING! Priority will be given to projects that have a positive impact on Franklin County through innovative and high-impact grants.

Ineligible Applicants Include:

- **Individuals**
- **Businesses/For-Profit Companies**
- **Churches** for purpose of advancing one religion/evangelism
- **Economic Development** for activities directly benefiting businesses

Applying for a Grant

Applicants interested in seeking grants from the Franklin County Community Foundation must submit a completed grant application via the Foundation's online grant application system available on the Community Foundation's website: www.franklinccf.org
A step-by-step guide and a video tutorial are available on the website to help applicants in the process.

How to submit:

All application materials must be submitted through the online application system.
Incomplete or hard copy applications will not be considered.

Application Deadline: 11:59pm (CST) on January 15, 2017

When are grants awarded?

Charitable grants from the Franklin County Community Foundation will be approved in March 2017.
All applicants will be notified of the results of the grant process in April.
Grant awards will be presented at a ceremony in April or May.

Awarded applicants are required to:

1. Sign a Terms of Grant Agreement clarifying legal parameters for use of the grant.
2. Submit an online grant report by **October 31, 2017** on the outcome of the funded project.
3. If applicable, include before and after photos of your project. These photos should be uploaded to your grant report.

If you have questions contact:

Any governing committee member

OR

Our administrative office at (319) 243-1358 or dthompson@cfneia.org

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