



2025 GRANT GUIDELINES

The Northville Community Foundation is a public charity organized as a collection of investment assets. The income from these invested funds is awarded through a grant application process to provide charitable funding to non-profits classified by the IRS as 501(c)(3) organizations and other eligible entities that benefit residents of the greater Northville community. Grants are made in the areas of education, health, arts, youth, senior, historical, beautification, and community benefit.

The Northville Community Foundation values projects that promote inclusiveness and that do not discriminate in hiring staff or providing services on the basis of race, gender, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, age, national origin, or disability.

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION WILL GIVE PRIORITY TO PROJECTS THAT:

- Reach a broad segment of the community
- Encourage matching gifts or additional funding
- Assist those citizens whose needs are not being met by existing services
- Meet emerging needs, are innovative and have a high probability of leading to new solutions to community challenges
- Are collaborative, comprehensive, promote cooperation among organizations within the region, and have the potential for ongoing community impact
- Are both engaged and strongly supported by the community

WHAT THE FOUNDATION GENERALLY WILL NOT FUND:

*While the Foundation remains flexible in trying to meet community needs, the following are **areas which will not be considered** for funding through the application process at this time:*

- Sectarian or religious programs
- Individuals
- International organizations
- Endowment funds
- Administrative costs of fund-raising campaigns
- Routine operating expenses
- Existing obligations, debts or liabilities, incurred before committee reviews proposal (beginning of September)
- Start-up organizations
- Travel expenses
- Program marketing
- Medical, scientific or academic research
- Lobbying to influence legislation
- Annual meetings

All grant applications must be submitted by mail (two copies) or by email using the NCF Grant Application. Grant requests may be made beginning May 1 and must be submitted by 5pm on July 31. Applications will be reviewed in late summer and notification and awards will be made in mid-November.