

Ely Area Community Foundation

Grant Award Limitations

Grants may only be awarded to:

- 501(c)3 incorporated organizations or charitable organizations where a 501(c)3 organizations agrees to serve as a fiscal agent.
- Educational organizations
- Religious organization (see restrictions below)
- Government agencies

Grant making Priorities

The EACF shall consider the following priorities for the use of grant funds:

- Projects that directly benefit the citizens of the Ely area.
- Projects that receive matching funds or challenge grants.
- Projects that encourage more effective use of community sources.
- Projects that promote volunteer participation in community affairs.
- Projects that benefit children and the elderly.
- Projects that demonstrate new approaches and techniques in the solution of community problems.
- Projects that are developed in cooperation with other organizations to eliminate the duplication of sources.

Anti-discrimination Policy

- The EACF will operate without discrimination as to race, age, religion, gender, or national origin in the consideration of requests and will award grant to organizations and agencies that do not discrimination.

Restrictions

- Grants will not usually be awarded to support operating expenses of well –established organizations or in response to fund drives for sustaining support.
- Grants will not usually be made to establish or add to endowment funds.
- Grants will not generally be used for churches or sectarian religious purposes.
- Grants will not be made to individuals.
- Grant projects must be completed within a 1 year of the grant award.

Important Requirements

- Successful grant recipients must acknowledge EACF on all printed materials when referencing their grant. The EACF will provide a standard paragraph (s) of information that should be included with an organization’s press release.

EACF Review Criteria for Grant Applications

Need (community need):

- Does the need already exist in our community?
- How does the need relate to the EACF mission. “Our Mission: To enhance community development and quality of life in Ely, Minnesota and the surrounding area through the distribution of endowment fund grants.”

Feasibility/impact:

- Can the project be reasonably accomplished?
- Will the project have the intended effect?

Organizational Capability:

- Is the project appropriate for the applicant
- Is there qualified staff/ volunteers to complete the project?

Resources:

- Is the budget realistic?
- Have other potential funding sources been approached and are they attainable?
- If successful, can the project be self –supporting in the future? (if more than a one-time effort)

**There maybe exceptions made to the Grant making Policy and Procedures as approved by the Ely Area Community Foundation Board.



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General Information

Name of Organization (501(c)3) _____

Address (St. /P.O. Box) _____ City _____ Zip _____

Organization's Director or Chair's name _____

Contact Person's Name _____ Title _____

(If different)

Phone Number _____ E-Mail Address _____

Signature of Authority (organization leadership) _____

Purpose of Organization/ Mission Statement _____

Type of Project Please check all that apply

<input type="checkbox"/> Arts / Culture	<input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Education
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental	<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Preservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Services
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		

Project Description

Name of Project _____

Amount Requested \$ _____ Previous EACF funding received? NO YES If yes/ year _____

Total Project Budget \$ _____ Project Start Date _____ Project End Date _____

Estimated number of people impacted by this project: _____

Project Narrative

Please attach no more than four pages to answer the following narrative questions:

- Why are funds being requested for this project?
- How will this project directly benefit the citizens of Ely (or the surrounding area)?
- Please identify the names and qualifications of people involved in the project.
- Please attach your project expenses. (What is your project budget?)
- What are the other sources of funding?
- If this project is to be continued, how will you finance it in the future?

Attachments

- ✓ Copy of non-profit 501(c) 3 status or fiscal agent status and agreement.
- ✓ Narrative response and budget.

<p>Complete and submit application by advertised Deadline Date.</p> <p>If submitting paper copy:</p> <p>Drop off completed application at:</p> <p>Ely City Hall</p> <p>Mail to: 209 East Chapman St , Ely, MN</p>	<p>Contact us:</p> <p>Chris- 218-235-0139</p> <p>Paul 218-984-3048</p> <p>Keiko 218-365-6764</p>
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