

Grant Guidelines

Overview

The Morrison County Area Foundation is an endowment fund of the Initiative Foundation, established in partnership with local citizens, to serve as a philanthropic vehicle for accumulating and distributing financial resources to benefit the Morrison County area.

Funding Priorities

The Morrison County Area Foundation will accept and consider grant applications that fit within the following guidelines:

- Are a benefit to citizens of Morrison County
- Have broad public interest

Application Information

MCAF accepts applications from eligible organization. Applicants must:

- Have 501(c)(3) status;
- Have been in operation for at least six months;
- Demonstrate a strong knowledge of its client base and similar mission organizations in the area;
- Specifically address funding priorities of the MCAF or an emerging need(s) in the community.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are those that serve Morrison County and include:

- 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations
- School Districts
- Local units of government

Deadlines

Grants will be accepted now through February 29th, 2012. Awardees will be notified by May 1, 2012.

Ineligible Projects

MCAF will not provide grants to/for the following: Capital expenses / Brick-and-Mortar expenses; Individuals or private businesses; Scholarships, endowments, national or local fund drives or general funds; Expenses incurred prior to notice that the grant award has been approved; Religious organizations for direct religious activities; Political campaigns or lobbying activities; Projects in support of K-12 programs that are or have traditionally been government funded; Tickets for benefits; Budget deficits; Recurring operating expenses (unless for the initial stage of a pilot project); Recurring program expenses (i.e. camperships, annual workshop series, membership dues, etc.); and/or Replacement of government funding cuts.

How to Apply

Please visit www.ifound.org, and click on the Morrison County Area Foundation's link to complete a short eligibility quiz and access the online application. You will need to create an account for your organization if you do not have one.

You may also click on Communities on the navigation menu on the left. Select Morrison County Area Foundation from the list.

Applications received by February 29, 2012 will be reviewed by the MCAF Board of Directors. You may be contacted to schedule a site visit or provide additional information.

If You Are Selected For Funding

All grantees will be required to report on the progress of their funded projects. Reporting requirements can be completed online. In addition to online reporting, you may also be asked to provide an oral report to the MCAF Board of Directors.