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**Service Area**

The Boone County Community Foundation serves the entire geographic area of Boone County.

**Grants Program Process and Guidelines**

The Foundation awards grants to nonprofit and other charitable organizations under the broad category of Community Development (defined as improving quality of life, promoting economic development, and reducing poverty.)  *Priority will be given to proposals that:*

- Encourage community bonding and more community support for solving problems;
- Exhibit coordination and collaboration among organizations;
- Generate matching funds, thus leveraging additional support;
- Focus on proactive, preventive measures;
- Implement new approaches and innovative techniques to solve community problems.

**Competitive grants are awarded once a year.** Completed grant applications *with requests up to $7,500* having all of the required materials as outlined in this application are due **on Friday May 1, 2020.** **Faxed or incomplete grant applications will not be considered.**

The Board of Directors reviews all of the grant applications. Applicants will be contacted by a member of the Board of Directors to discuss their proposal. The Board is responsible for the final decisions. The grant review process takes up to 60 days after the grant cycle deadline. Applicants will be advised in writing of the status of their grant request after the Board decision. **The Foundation accepts only one grant request from any school or organization per cycle.**

**Restrictions**

*The Foundation typically DOES NOT make grants to support the following:*

- National or statewide proposals that do not focus on Boone County;
- General operating budgets for established organizations;
- Annual campaigns or membership drives;
- Production of film or video programs;
- Travel expenses or school uniform purchase;
- Ongoing support for the same project;
- Staff costs only;
- Consultants, consultant fees, conferences or workshop speakers;
- Individuals, student aid, or fellowships;
- Religious activities of religious organizations;
- Projects that would be fully funded by applicant, either internally or externally, prior to the completion of the grant application process;
- Equipment or uniforms for youth leagues.
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Application Instructions: Complete this Grant Proposal Submission Checklist, Application Cover Form (page 1), answer questions on Application Page 2 on separate sheets of paper if you wish (use no more than 7 pages), complete Project Budget Form, and add attachments as requested on submission checklist. This sheet is to accompany the grant application. Please submit your grant proposal in the following order. Check all that apply.

Name of Organization: _______________________________________________________

☐ 1. *Grant Proposal Submission Checklist.

☐ 2. *The Boone County Community Foundation’s Application Cover Form.


☐ 4. *Impact and Evaluation (refer to questions on application page 2, section B).

☐ 5. *Sustainability (refer to questions on application page 2, section C).

☐ 6. *Project Budget Form (include three quotes or bids for any single purchase or capital improvements over $1,000), requests must be rounded to the nearest dollar. Form is available on our website. Please note that the budget form/narrative is a separate excel spreadsheet.

☐ 7. *Organization’s current balance sheet (if available) and recent profit/loss sheet (for non-profits only). If you do not have this information, please explain.

☐ 8. *Current Form 990, Form 990EZ, or 990N (for non-profits only). If you do not have this information, please explain.

☐ 9. *Most recent annual audit, financial review, or financial compilation (for non-profits only). If you do not have this information, please explain.

☐ 10. *For Schools only: Operating budget from individual school AND Audit of the school’s financial records completed by the County Board of Education

☐ 11. *One copy of your organization’s IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit determination letter. Please note: 501(c)(3) determination letter is not required for governmental entities or schools

☐ 12. *Current Board list (one page) including names and occupation; please note officers

☐ 13. If applicable, letters from financial or programmatic partners in the proposed project (no other letters of support are necessary)

☐ 14. Most recent annual report or publication describing your organization

*Denotes that the item is a required document and that the grant is incomplete without the item. If all required documents are not received by the stated deadline, the grant will not be considered.

Completed by: ______________________________ Date: ____________________________

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BOONE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
GRANTMAKING PROGRAM
2020 APPLICATION COVER FORM

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Legal Name of Applicant Organization: ______________________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________________

Executive Director, President, Principal, or CEO Name and Title: ________________________________
Telephone: __________________ Fax: _______________ Contact Email: ________________________________

Contact Name (If different from Director/CEO):________________________ Website: __________________
Contact Title and Phone: ___________________________________________________________________

Year organization was founded: __________ EIN: __________________________

Organization’s total operating budget for current fiscal year: $__________

Amount of this Request: $________ (May not exceed $7,500.00 and must be rounded to the nearest dollar)

GRANT REQUEST INFORMATION

Fiscal Agent (A fiscal agent is an organization other than the applicant organization that administers the funding, if awarded):
____________________________________________________________________________________

Name of project: _________________________________________________________________________

Project Abstract (Brief summary of project – if your grant is selected, this will be used for public relations purposes):
____________________________________________________________________________________
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Proposed beginning/ending dates of grant request: _________________________________________

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List past funding and amounts from the Boone County Community Foundation

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A. Narrative:
1. Describe the following aspects of the project:
   a) History of the Organization and/or Project (include accomplishments and qualifications);
   b) Problem/Needs Statement (please add verifiable fact, data, and statistics to show why this project is necessary and who will it serve);
   c) Project Design (include process and who is involved);
   d) Goals (broadly based statements of project purpose);
   e) Objectives (specific desired outcomes of the project);
   f) Methods (activities that will be conducted in order to achieve/implement objectives).

B. Impact and Evaluation:
1. How will you define and measure the success of your project? Why do you think the project will be successful?
2. If this is a recognized model or purchased program, have you seen it in practice elsewhere? How will you learn from their experiences?
3. Explain how your project will contribute to Community Development by making the community a nurturing environment for families and individuals, and/or a good place to do business.
4. Describe how your project affects quality of life, encourages economic development, and/or helps reduce poverty.
5. Who are your partners in this project and what roles do they play?
6. How does your project build social capital (i.e. bringing people together who normally don’t work together)?
7. What is the estimated unduplicated number of people to be served by this project?

C. Sustainability Plan:
1. List additional sources of support for this project in the chart below.

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2. What are your plans for long-term funding and/or maintenance of the proposed project?
3. If your grant is not approved, what alternative plan will you follow?

D. ENDORSEMENT

We have carefully read the information provided for the Boone County Community Foundation (BCCF) Proposal Form. The Board of Directors has approved the submission of this proposal. If we receive a grant, we agree to use the funds as granted. We will allow BCCF to use information provided in this request for public information pieces and will mention BCCF’s support in any publicity generated regarding the project. Please sign and date below to verify that the board of directors has approved the submission of this proposal.

Applicant __________________________ Date __________

Executive Director of Organization or School Principal __________________________ Date __________

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