

Impact Grant Summary

GRANT GUIDELINES

The Fond du Lac Area Foundation is dedicated to improving the quality of life in our geographic area. Grants are made for programs likely to make a clear difference in the quality of life of a substantial number of people. Impact Grants will be for a **maximum of \$100,000** and for no more than a two-year commitment. Organizations who receive an Impact Grant **cannot apply again for three years.**

Impact Grants will support:

- Endowment building: Build capacity and sustainability by helping nonprofits leverage additional funds and incorporate endowment fundraising as a regular part of their ongoing development program.
- Capital projects: Bricks and mortar for important projects that will strengthen community.
- Capacity building: Helps to strengthen community organizations through training, education, seminars, etc.
- Community leadership: Proactive opportunity to support community assessments, surveys, special initiatives and leverage other sources of financial support.
- Community betterment: Provide support to initiatives that improve the quality of life.
- Start-up/entrepreneurial: Help new ideas, organizations, and community initiatives get established.

In general, the Foundation does not support:

- religious organizations for religious purposes
- political parties
- scholarly research
- annual fundraising drives
- travel
- projects outside our geographic area

When applying for an Impact Grant, the following information will be requested:

- 1. A statement containing the following information:
 - a. Summary of the project or proposal including agency and projects budgets.
 - b. Confirmed and potential sources of support.
 - c. Expected outcomes of the project who will be better off, and why, at the end of the project.
 - d. If the project will be continued, how will it be supported in the future.
- 2. A copy of the organization's IRS Federal Tax Exemption determination letter.
- 3. A complete list of the organization's officers and directors.

Completed grant applications must be submitted to the Online Grant Portal by July 31 of each calendar year.