

Sully County Community Foundation

Grant Application Packet

Board of Directors:

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Bi-Annual Application Deadlines:

March 1

September 1

Grants Announced:

April 1

October 1

APPLICANT:

The Sully County Community Foundation was formed in 2017 with a community challenge to raise \$200,000 in 5 years. With Sully County native Robert “Bob” Pierce, Jr’s generosity, local nonprofits will benefit for years to come. Grants are offered on a bi-annual basis to ensure opportunity to all organizations. Typically, applicants must be non-profit, government, school, or church related and repeat proposals from one organization within a 12-month period are discouraged.

The grant funds offered from the Sully County Community Foundation represent the interest earnings from the investment held in the trust by the South Dakota Community Foundation. The larger our investment, the more the Sully County Community Foundation can give back to the community for projects.

Each grant recipient must complete all sections of the application and, if granted money, is expected to provide the foundation with a report of how the funds were spent and an evaluation of what made their program or project a success. This expectation allows the foundation board to verify that the granting process remains successful and beneficial for Sully County.

Please contact any Sully County Community Foundation board member with questions pertaining to, or help with, the application process.

GRANT GUIDELINES:

- **VOLUNTEERISM:** Projects that involve significant and continuous volunteer support will be considered more favorably over projects with paid staff.
- **INNOVATION:** Our goal is to fund a mix of ongoing and established projects, as well as innovative projects that address existing community needs. **THIS GRANT IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR USE ON BUDGET OR DAILY EXPENSES.**
- **FUND DISTRIBUTION:** Grants will be awarded by the Board of Directors of the Sully County Community Foundation based on their evaluation of the applications that are submitted bi-annually. (Awarded April 1 and October 1).
- **MINIMUM AWARDS:** Grant requests of \$500 or more will be considered.
- **MULTI-CYCLE FUNDING:** Some projects seeking funding may be ongoing, while others begin and end in the same calendar year. Projects for multi-year funding are encouraged, but there will be no promise of funds made available in the future.
- **PUBLIC/PRIVATE:** The Board will concentrate on funding public non-profit corporations, but not to the exclusion of organizations that meet grant deadlines.
- **EXCEPTIONS:** The Board may make an exception to printed guidelines upon a motion made and seconded and carried by 4/6 members present voting.
- **GRANT REVIEW PROCESS:** The Board will consider applications after bi-annual due dates of March 1 and September 1. Applications that meet guidelines will be considered and prioritized according to guidelines.
- **COMMUNICATION WITH APPLICANTS:** All applicants will be informed within the months of March and September as to the status of their application. The Board will hold all decisions in confidence until grants are publicly announced.
- **FINAL EVALUATION:** Organizations receiving grant funds from the Sully County Community Foundation are asked to submit a report to the Foundation, within 60 days of completing the project, including a final evaluation of the project and informing them how the money was spent.

Grant Eligibility:

SULLY COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
PO BOX 284
ONIDA, SD 57564

- Any 501c3 nonprofit organization, church, government, or school organization is eligible to apply
- If your organization does not have a 501c3 tax status, we suggest you work with a fiscal sponsor to apply or speak with board members to evaluate your eligibility status.
- If you are planning to begin or continue a community project. (Grants not available for budget/expenditure uses).

Sully County Community Foundation (SCCF)

GRANT APPLICATION

Please complete and sign this application. Attach additional pages if necessary.

Please return to PO BOX 284~Onida, SD 57564

(Hard copies available for pick-up and drop-off at Sunrise Bank and Bankwest)

*Apps due by March 1 and September 1

Date of application: _____ 501c3 nonprofit EIN# (if applicable): _____

Name of Organization/Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Contact Email: _____

Description of your organization (including what they do for this community):

Provide a description of the project for which you seek funds. Include the need for the project, the anticipated community benefit, and how the funds will be used:

(Description cont'd.):

Amount of grant funds requested: _____

Total cost of the project:_____

What, if any, other funding sources will your organization use for the project? _____

Anticipated project start date: _____ Anticipated project end date:_____

Please provide an itemized and detailed breakdown of costs for the anticipated project.

We thank you for your application!

Please review all information provided within this application. Also, note that if granted funds, the Sully County Community Foundation appreciates the ability to publicize the awarded grant. The funds may only be spent in accordance with the goals and objectives of the given project and no grant funds are to be utilized for daily operations or expenses. Upon granting of funds, the grantee will be responsible for the funds and will maintain records to provide the SCCF with a closing grant evaluation and statement of expenditures. All money granted needs to be spent on the intended project within 365 days. Failure to do so will result in a return of funds back to the Foundation. This final evaluation and statement of expenditure must be submitted within 60 days after completion of the project. Failure to do so could result in suspension from grant eligibility. Unless otherwise stipulated in this contract, the Sully County Community Foundation has no obligation to provide other or additional support to the grantee.

I acknowledge that all the information in this grant application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I agree that if funding is received from the Sully County Community Foundation, I will allow them to use my name or my organization's name as well as photographs of the project in press releases and other media sources.

Grant Applicant (person responsible) _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Funding is contingent upon available resources and program priorities. The Sully County Community Foundation Advisory Council may, at its discretion, choose not to award funds in any given cycle.