



2017 GRANT GUIDELINES

What is the Chickasaw County Community Foundation

The Chickasaw County Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization created by and for the people of Chickasaw County. The Community Foundation's main goals are to support Chickasaw County and to attract additional funds to assist donors in creating lasting legacies through a variety of giving options within Chickasaw County. The mission of the Chickasaw County Community Foundation is to:

- Respond to the current and future charitable needs of Chickasaw County.
- Secure and serve as the custodian of endowment funds contributed by many donors.
- Create other mechanisms, which will channel charitable money, goods and services to meet community needs.
- Serve as a convener to examine and determine community needs and facilitate the development of solutions to community problems.

What We Support

The Chickasaw County Community Foundation provides grants to improve life in Chickasaw County, Iowa. We want to help develop communities that people want to live in, as well as to benefit rural areas of the county. Areas of Foundation giving are:

ART AND CULTURE

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT

EDUCATION

ENVIRONMENT

HEALTH

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

HUMAN SERVICE

Eligibility to Apply for Funding

- Applicants must be tax-exempt, non-profit entities classified by the IRS as 501(c)(3) organizations or government entities. If you have questions about eligibility or this classification, please contact our administrative office at 319-287-9106.
- One application per project (exceptions may be made for government entities or Fiscal Sponsor organizations).
- The maximum request that will be considered is \$10,000.
- There are no set of criteria that, if met, will guarantee funding.
- If the organization has received past funding from the Chickasaw County Community Foundation, all grant reporting must be up to date and in good standing.
- **CONSIDER APPLYING!** We look for new ways to have a positive impact on Chickasaw County through innovative and high-impact grants.

Applying for a Grant

Applicants interested in seeking grants from the Chickasaw County Community Foundation are required to submit a completed grant application via the Foundation's online grant application system:

www.chickasawccf.org. Click on "grants" on the left-hand menu.

Note: The project or program described in your application may be funded in full, partially funded or not at all. The more information you can provide in your application the better.

Awarded applicants are required to:

1. Sign a Terms of Grant Agreement which clarifies legal parameters for use of the grant.
2. Submit a Grant Report online by **October 31, 2017** on the outcome of the funded project.

How to submit

All application materials must be submitted through the online application system.

Incomplete or hard copy applications will not be considered.

When grants are awarded

- ✓ Grants from the Chickasaw County Community Foundation will be approved in **March 2017**.
- ✓ All applicants will be notified of the results of the grant process by **March 31, 2017**.
- ✓ Grant awards will be presented during a ceremony at a later date, to be announced.

If you have questions, contact:

Ryan Steege - Chair - rsteege@bankiowabanks.com

Megan Gleason- Secretary - nheconomic@windstream.net

OR

Dotti Thompson at our administrative office: 319-243-1358 or
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Applications must be submitted online by 11:59 PM December 31, 2016.

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