



## **Mason County**

## **Completing Your Community Foundation Application**

- 1. Read through the Community Foundation's grant priorities and guidelines, found at muskegonfoundation.org/grants and mason-foundation.org/grants.
- 2. If your project fits the stated priorities, follow the "apply for a grant" link to our online grant application, hosted by GLM. There, you'll start the process with an Application of Intent. (Direct link: https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffmc).

Here you can log in, or click on "Create New Account."

**For Muskegon County:** The Letter of Intent is due two weeks prior to the grant deadline. After you submit, you'll receive an email confirmation from the Community Foundation stating that your application has been received. Staff are looking for applications that align with our Community Foundation values. **If your application is a fit for funding, you will receive an email link inviting you to submit a full grant application.** The Community Foundation staff will respond to your Application of Intent within three business days.

**For Mason County:** An application of intent is not required. Proceed directly to the full grant application.

- 3. **Submit a Grant Application.** This is where you'll explain your project in more detail. You can leave your application and return to it at any time, the application auto-saves. Access saved applications by clicking "Edit Application" under the "Active Requests" tab on your Applicant Dashboard.
- 4. Once submitted, you will receive email confirmation. Muskegon County grant applications received two weeks prior to the deadline will be reviewed by the Community Foundation staff and given the opportunity to update their application based on staff feedback. You are welcome to contact the staff for a sample grant application.
- 4. **Submit a Final Grant Report.** If your project is funded, you will be notified of the deadline for your grant report.

If you have any questions, please contact Community Foundation staff:

231.722.4538 grants@muskegonfoundation.org

## **Grant Deadlines**

The spring grant deadline is typically in late February, and the fall deadline is in late September (with applications of intent due two weeks prior to the deadline). Always check the website for specific dates!

## **Grant Application Checklist**

In addition to information about your specific project, you will need the following organization information to complete your grant application.

- List of current board members and affiliations
- A copy of your current operating budget
- A copy of your most recent audited or reviewed financial statements
- Tax ID number (EIN)
- Brief organizational history
- Mission and goals
- The information necessary to complete the following table (Muskegon only):

	Percentage of Individuals from Diverse Populations	Total number of Individuals
Board	* %	*
Senior Staff	* %	*
Support Staff	* %	*

Banking information for electronic funds transfer:

🗌 Bank name

Type of account: checking or savings

□ Routing number

Account number

