



# PARKE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC.

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[www.parkeccf.org](http://www.parkeccf.org)

Applications Accepted: **Year-round**

*(Receipt by the 20<sup>th</sup> of any month will allow a timely review by the Foundation Board. Funding notification can be expected within 90 days of submission of an application.)*

Applications for grants from the Community Grants Fund will be accepted from any new or existing charitable organization or community agency with a charitable purpose in or serving Parke County as they seek funds to establish or expand programs to address a community need or with projects to “build community capacity.”

The Foundation accepts grant applications year-round.

APPLICATION PROCESS
All grant applications are available on our website at <a href="http://www.parkeccf.org">www.parkeccf.org</a> .
TARGETED AREAS FOR GRANTS AWARDED
Community Grants funds target field of interests which are considered community-enhancing and these include <i>agricultural, family support, fine arts/cultural, health and human services, historic preservation, community development, religion, scholarship, education, youth development, and recreation.</i>
FOLLOW-UP PROCESS
In order to fulfill reporting requirements and expectations of donors, the Foundation will seek project and financial expenditure information. Interim progress reports may be requested on larger projects and timely responses are important. Final report information can be found on our website with the applications.
ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY
The Foundation funds grants to qualified charitable purposes, many of which will be deemed by the IRS to have 501(c)(3) status. If your organization is not an official 501(c)(3), your project should be an effort designed to assist the needy and promote human well-being in Parke County. <b><i>Please be sure to call or stop by the Foundation for questions related to the granting process.</i></b>
The IRS defines a public charity [501(c)(3)] as “Corporations, and any community chest, fund, or foundation, organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable scientific, testing for public safety, literary, or educational purposes, or to foster national or international amateur sports competition (but only if no part of its activities involve the provision of athletic facilities or equipment), or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, no part of the net earning of which inures to benefit of any private shareholder or individuals, no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation, (except as otherwise provided in subsection (h)), and which does not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.”
FOUNDATION
The Foundation was created in order to build a permanent resource of endowed funds, the earnings from which could be used to help meet the continually changing charitable needs of the Parke County community.
The Foundation exists for three basic purposes: (1) to assist donors who wish to meet charitable needs through creating endowments, (2) to serve as a fiduciary, holding and prudently managing donated funds and (3) to make appropriate and accountable distributions of earnings on funds (grants) to qualified charitable recipients.