Community Foundation
of St. Clair County

EZ-GRANT GUIDELINES

The Community Foundation serves charitable needs and enhances the quality of life in St. Clair County.

Eligibility:
Your organization must be pre-approved by the Community Foundation to complete the EZ-Grant Application. If you have not been pre-approved, please complete our regular grant application or call 810-984-4761.

Strategic Priorities 2016-2018
During this next cycle the Foundation will focus its financial and organizational resources on People & Place.

By investing in "People" and "Place" we will pursue tactics and initiatives which will help lead to a healthy and vibrant regional economy---a place to "live, work and play".   Under this philosophy, our discretionary and competitive grant programs will give preference to projects within these priority areas:

1. Community & Economic Prosperity	2. Cradle to Career	3. Healthy Lifestyles
▪ Placemaking	▪ Emphasis on Skilled trades and apprenticeship programs	▪ Friday Food & the coordination with feeding older siblings
▪ Our downtowns – their vitality and continued revitalization	▪ Exploration & preparation for career and lifetime success after K-12	▪ Year-round access to healthy foods and necessities
▪ Waterfront development & utilization	▪ Childhood literacy	▪ Greater access to healthy food year-round including summer-time food programs, farmers markets, mobile food trucks, and farm-to-table programs, projects and initiatives, especially those targeting at-risk and neglected segments of our population
▪ Regional collaboration & planning	▪ Pathways to careers in skilled trades	
▪ Entrepreneurism	▪ Hands-on learning & training programs for youth and adults alike, including under-educated or under-trained adults looking for new career options	▪ Coordination of efforts aimed at providing basic necessities to school-aged children and a more systematic effort at aiding these support systems year-round
▪ Nonprofit capacity building	▪ Programs & projects to re-engage students who do not complete a college degree in a traditional timeframe or who leave college to explore other options	▪ Programs, projects and initiatives targeting the entire family; their well-being and their success in life and their ability to contribute to our region's growth and prosperity

Upon completion of this application please email to derek@stclairfoundation.org

Additional details on the Community Foundation's Priorities can found on our website: www.stclairfoundation.org

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EZ-GRANT APPLICATION

_____Date of Application

Name of Organization Applying: _____

Executive Director (superintendent): _____

Contact person (if different from Executive Director):_____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone #:_____ Email: _____

Project/Program Name: _____

Purpose of Grant (one paragraph):

Total Project Cost: _____ Amount Requested: _____

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Signature of Chairperson, Board of Directors, Superintendent   Date

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Typed Name and Title

_____
Signature of Executive Director, Principal   Date

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Required Documents:

-Project Budget

-If applicant is a school: Letter of support from superintendent that includes why funds are not included in school budget/ how this request fits into the overall school district plan.

Please provide description/summary of your organization and this grant request. Be sure to tell us how your request addresses one or more of our strategic priority areas. (You may attach additional pages if needed.)

How will you proceed if you do not receive funding from the Community Foundation?

Program/Project Budget

4A Time period this budget covers _____

4B _____ **4C**_____
Total cost of project   Amount requested from Community Foundation

4D Description of various budget categories (for a large financial request, make up your own more detailed form. (e.g. separate salaries, taxes, fringes or supplies, printing & copying.) In most cases Revenues will equal Expenses, if they are not equal include an explanation.

Revenues:	Committed	Pending
Grants/Contracts/Contributions Local Government		
State Government	$_____	$_____
Federal Government	$_____	$_____
Foundations (itemized)	$_____	$_____
Corporations (itemized)	$_____	$_____
Individuals (itemized)	$_____	$_____
Other (specify)_____		
_____	$_____	$_____
Earned Income		
Events	$_____	$_____
Publications and products	$_____	$_____
In-kind support (specify)	$_____	$_____
Other (specify)_____	$_____	$_____
_____		
Totals for committed and pending:	$_____	_____

TOTAL REVENUES (committed + pending = Total Revenue)

Expenses:

Salaries, payroll taxes, fringe benefits	$_____
Consultants and professional fees	$_____
Insurance	$_____
Equipment	$_____
Supplies (printing, copying, telephone, fax, postage)	$_____
Rent, utilities, maintenance	$_____
Evaluation	$_____
Marketing	$_____
Other (specify)_____	$_____

TOTAL EXPENSES
If Revenues do not equal Expenses please provide explanation.