

GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY – ADVANCING HEALTH & WELLNESS

HEALTHY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GRANTS

The purpose of the SSM Health St. Clare Foundation's Healthy Community Partnership Grant initiative is to provide funding to those who engage in projects, programs and activities that advance the health and wellness of all who live in SSM Health St. Clare Hospital's service area communities.

Healthy Community Partnership Grants are funded by a portion of the income derived annually from the St. Clare Foundation's endowment. That income also funds medical equipment and capital needs for SSM Health St. Clare Hospital, as well as other local health care programs and services.

Grants are awarded during two semi-annual cycles, with the following application deadlines: First cycle - April 15; Second cycle - Oct. 15. Grants are awarded no later than June 15 and Dec. 15.

Our Vision Statement: The St. Clare Foundation will be a bridge between the St. Clare Hospital campuses and the communities served, facilitating partnership and investment that will result in the highest quality, local health care facilities, technology and services; optimal health literacy and access to health care for all of our neighbors.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

The St. Clare Foundation will support those who conduct programs, projects and activities designed to improve the health and wellness of residents in St. Clare Hospital's service area (primarily the greater Baraboo-Lake Delton-Wisconsin Dells area), provided that the program, project or activity complements the mission and purpose of SSM Health entities including St. Clare Hospital, St. Clare Meadows Care Center and the St. Clare Foundation. Such programs and

activities may include health education, disease screening, fitness/wellness assessment and/or improvement, research and serving of St. Clare Hospital service area residents who may be considered underserved. Priority will be given to programs and activities taking place that are immediate and finite in scope and duration. The Foundation will consider matching funds for programs partially funded through other sources.

WHAT WILL NOT BE FUNDED

The Foundation will not fund direct support of an individual's care, capital projects ("bricks and mortar"), direct or indirect support of lobbying or other political activity, programs or activities whose purpose does not complement the mission and purpose of SSM Health St. Clare Hospital and its affiliates, programs or activities whose purpose does not complement Catholic principles (such as birth control programs or activities), individual scholarships, endowments, programs whose primary or sole purpose is marketing, ongoing general operating expenses or existing deficits, registration fees for individuals or teams for fundraising events, program ads, door prizes, raffle tickets, dinner tables, golf outings or sponsorships of organized sports teams or similar activities, or registration or travel fees to conferences.

WHO MAY APPLY

It is preferred that requesting parties have an IRS 501(c)(3) tax status. However, all requests will be reviewed. The following are examples of those who may apply for Healthy Community Partnership Grants: Practitioners in all fields of health, educators/school districts, community employers, civic organizations and service clubs, government agencies, libraries and ad hoc groups assembled for the purpose of undertaking a specific project or activity. Collaborative proposals are welcomed.

AVAILABLE FUNDING

The maximum individual grant award is \$2,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS

A Healthy Community Partnership Grant Program Application for Funding, available from the St. Clare Foundation, must be completed in order for a proposal to be considered. Requests for multi-year grants will be considered, but are subject to annual review and approval.

Due to limited resources, a worthwhile organization or program's grant request may be declined. Contributions or grants do not entitle additional or continuing support or set precedent for future funding.

<u>Please provide one original and six (6) copies of your proposal.</u> No binders, folders, plastic inserts, report covers or paperclips, please.

Application Deadlines: Spring cycle: April 15; Fall cycle: Oct. 15. Grants are awarded no later than June 15 and Dec. 15. Late or incomplete submissions will not be considered. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure postmark on or before the delivery date.

REVIEW & AWARD PROCESS

The Foundation's Grant Review Committee will judge each application on its merits and select proposed grant recipients and recommendations on funding. The committee's selections will be forwarded to the SSM Health St. Clare Foundation's Board of Directors for review and approval. The Board of Directors may or may not award funds in accordance with the Grant Review Committee's recommendations.

All awards will be subject to the execution of a grant agreement provided by the St. Clare Foundation. Grantees are required to provide the Foundation with a report evaluating the success of their funded program. Grantees are also required to acknowledge the support of the SSM Health St. Clare Foundation's Healthy Community Partnership Grant in all publicity of the program for which they have received grant funding: "This project is funded (in part, if applicable) by a Healthy Community Partnership Grant from the SSM Health St. Clare Foundation."

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