



Bangor Area
Community
Foundation

APPLYING FOR FUNDS

Thank you for your interest in the Bangor Area Community Foundation (BACF). We are delighted to support local families and organizations with resources that can help them thrive.

BACF is a public charity organized as a collection of endowed funds, grant programs, and scholarship funds. The organization's primary objective is to provide charitable funding to non-profit organizations and programs that benefit residents of the greater Bangor area. Grants are made in the areas of education, environment, health care, human services, humanities and other areas of public benefit.

BACF values projects that promote inclusiveness and that do not discriminate in hiring of staff or providing services on the basis of race, gender, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, age, national origin, or disability.

Grant Priority Areas

BACF gives priority to applicants with projects that:

- Reach a broad segment of the community
- Encourage matching gifts or additional funding
- Assist citizens whose needs are not being met by existing services
- Meet emerging needs, are innovative and have a high probability of leading to new solutions to community challenges
- Are collaborative, comprehensive, promote cooperation among organizations within the region, and have the potential for ongoing community impact

Ineligible Programs

While the Foundation remains flexible in trying to meet community needs, the following are *areas which will NOT be considered* for funding through the application process at this time:

- Sectarian or religious programs
- Individuals
- International organizations
- Endowment funds
- Administrative costs of fund-raising campaigns
- Annual meetings
- Routine operating expenses
- Existing obligations, debts or liabilities



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If you are interested in obtaining funding from BACF, please submit an initial letter of inquiry of a maximum of three pages. The letter should include:

- Information about the organization
- A brief description of the purpose of the project for which funds are being requested
- An explanation of how the project fits within BACF's grant priority areas
- An estimated budget for the period in which funds are being requested

Inquiry letters that do not meet the criteria stated above will not be considered. Please do not send additional attachments. All materials may be sent to:

Rocky Johnson
Chair: Grants
Bangor Area Community Foundation
P.O. Box 93
Bangor, MI 49013

BACF will make every effort to respond to all letters of inquiry within a 60-day period. Those that are of interest to the Foundation may be asked to submit a full proposal.

We appreciate your interest in BACF and commend your efforts to make a difference for the community we share. Thank you!