FUND MISSION

The mission of the Superior-Douglas County Arts Fund is to support projects and programs which help people develop an appreciation of the arts, make the arts accessible to all people, and expose people to a variety of multicultural arts experiences. The objective of the fund is to provide assistance to visual, literary and/or performing arts projects. Preference will be given to programs or projects which provide performance and/or artistic opportunities for children or youth in grades K - 8. Requests for capital projects will not be considered.

Grants generally range from $300 to $1,000

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to apply for funding, an organization must:

- be classified as a charitable organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; or classified as an organization under Section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code; and
- be located in or provide service to residents within Douglas County and the community of Iron River, Wisconsin.

EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE PROJECTS

The following are representative, but not exclusive examples of projects which could be recipients of the Superior-Douglas County Arts Fund grants:

- Costs to bring arts programs to new audiences, especially K-5 students in the school systems;
- Collaborative projects which involve schools, families, and the broader community;
- Support for teacher training;
- Support for art supplies or musical instruments;
- Exhibit or performance costs;
- Artist in residency programs, workshops, or master classes;
- Subsidized performance tickets to encourage audience development;
- Soloist or guest artist fees;
- Costs for visiting, innovative, experimental, or outreach presentations or programs;
- Costs to develop new arts programs.

EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE GRANT RECIPIENTS

The following are representative, but not exclusive, examples of possible grant recipients to implement the objectives of the Superior-Douglas County Arts Fund:

- Area schools and school districts;
- Bong Heritage Center;
- City of Superior.
APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Potential applicants should first submit a Letter of Intent, via the Community Foundation’s website at http://www.dsacommunityfoundation.com/apply-for-a-grant. Once you have contacted us with information about your project/program via the online grant application, staff will contact you regarding fund-specific guidelines and the application process. Applicants can also contact Community Foundation staff by telephone at 218.726.0232 or by email at grantsinfo@dsacommunityfoundation.com.

The Letter of Intent must be submitted using the online grant application portal at least 2 weeks prior to the deadline. Based on the outcome of the LOI, an organization may be encouraged to submit a full proposal through the online portal. The Community Foundation’s Grant Application Process is outlined on the website, along with a step-by-step tutorial for utilizing the online grant application. Please utilize the Community Foundation staff as a resource throughout the application process and contact staff with any questions by email at grantsinfo@dsacommunityfoundation.com or by telephone at 218.726.0232.

The deadline for receipt of proposals for the Superior Douglas County Arts Fund is October 1. The Board of Trustees will determine grants at the December meeting. If awarded, funds would be available in January. Grant awards may not be used retroactively. Complete proposals are to be submitted via the grants portal website before 5:00 p.m. on the deadline date. If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, complete proposals are due before 5:00 p.m. on the next business day following the deadline date.

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