

# **Menomonie Community Health Foundation, Inc.**

## **Community Grant Policies and Procedures**

### **Introduction**

The Menomonie Community Health Foundation supports projects that promote health education, healthy lifestyles, applied health research, and health care delivery to benefit the community served by the Red Cedar Medical Center – Mayo Health System.

Programs and activities are supported from endowment income. The Board identifies the amount of money potentially available for distribution as of January 15, May 15, and September 15 each year.

### **Service Area**

The Menomonie Community Health Foundation is organized and operated for the benefit of the Red Cedar Medical Center – Mayo Health System and the community it serves. The service area is limited to the following zip codes: 54751, 54735, 54749, 54730, 54725, 54722, 54012, 54013, 54027, 54767, 54740, 54737, 54739, 54734, and 54763.

### **Priorities:**

The Board and committee members judge proposals based on their impact on the citizens of the Red Cedar Medical Center – Mayo Health System service area. Priority therefore will be given to projects and programs such as those that:

- ◆ Focus on making people aware of healthy versus unhealthy lifestyle choices and more aware of the impact of those choices on their personal health and the health of their families.
- ◆ Enhance the health status of the community.
- ◆ Integrate prevention into health care delivery.
- ◆ Prevent selected conditions or their complications (i.e., tobacco use, alcohol abuse, obesity, and others).
- ◆ Demonstrate far-sighted perspectives seeking solutions having long-term impact on health care delivery.
- ◆ Use Foundation funds as seed money to leverage other funds, build coalitions, establish strategic partnerships and alliances, and advance initiatives that bring people together to solve health care problems.
- ◆ Educate health care consumers and/or providers so as to make a positive impact on community health.
- ◆ Provide community-based health related services.
- ◆ Enhance outcomes at reduced costs.
- ◆ Examine ways to insure that all populations served by Red Cedar Medical Center – Mayo Health System receive quality care and attention.

## **Who May Apply?**

The Foundation welcomes requests from organizations in the community served by the Red Cedar Medical Center – Mayo Health System who visualize a way to improve the health of the community.

Independent non-profit organizations, charitable organizations, and local units of state and/or national organizations who propose to conduct programs related to the health needs of the Red Cedar Medical Center – Mayo Health System service area (see Service Area) are encouraged to read these guidelines carefully to determine whether to apply for a grant. Requests for grants in support of Red Cedar Medical Center – Mayo Health System must be submitted to the Red Cedar Medical Center Board Grant Committee.

Applicants must complete the grant application form and supply any required supporting materials. It must be evident that the applicant has both the skills and support to fulfill the proposal as presented.

## **How to Apply**

Complete the application form and return the original and six copies to the Community Health Foundation at PO Box 237 prior to any of the three deadlines which are January 15, May 15, and September 15. The application form can be obtained by calling the Foundation office at (715) 232-9557 or writing to PO Box 237, Menomonie, WI 54751. Applications are also available at [www.menomonicommunityhealthfoundation.org](http://www.menomonicommunityhealthfoundation.org).

Recipients of grants will be expected to submit a statement of disbursements at the termination of the project and to complete a final report. The Foundation expects that unexpended grant money will be returned to the Menomonie Community Health Foundation, Inc.

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