

ROY W. AND MARY L. PEARSON CHARITABLE FUND GRANT GUIDELINES



PURPOSE

The Pearson's have made significant impact through philanthropy in Phelps County and created this fund in order to continue their philanthropic desires in perpetuity

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, your organization must qualify under the nonprofit status and geographic restrictions listed below. If you are unsure of your organization's status, please inquire with staff prior to applying for funding.

NONPROFIT STATUS

- Eligible organizations must have current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code and be in good standing. They should not have any overdue evaluation reports on previous grants filed with the Phelps County Community Foundation.
- Government agencies for capital expenditures and/or capital improvements
- Organizations with fiscal sponsors that are 501(c)(3) public charity nonprofit organizations registered with the IRS. Applicants may use a fiscal sponsor only if there is a meaningful mission fit and an existing, working relationship between the two organizations.

GEOGRAPHIC RESTRICTION

- This fund is for the purpose of making grants to benefit charitable groups and organizations in Holdrege, Nebraska.

AREAS OF FOCUS

The purpose of the grant must fall within one of the six charitable areas of interest listed below.

- Education
- Cultural
- Human Service
- Health and Recreation
- Community
- Religion: Grants may be awarded for non-denominational projects and programs enhancing high ethical and moral standards.

INELIGIBLE REQUEST

- To individuals
- For the purpose of scholarships
- To support operating expenses of well-established organizations, public service agencies, and government agencies
- To support annual fund drives
- To eliminate previously incurred deficits,
- To establish new endowment funds
- For travel or related expenses for individuals or groups such as bands, sports teams, or classes,
- Religious organizations where the funds would be used in whole or in part to further the organization's sectarian purposes.

DUE DATES

- January 1
- July 1

AMOUNT FUNDED

Potential grantees may request up to 50% of project funding from this charitable fund.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The Phelps County Community Foundation uses an online grants management system called Foundant GLM. All application information must be submitted through this system. The Foundation's website, PhelpsFoundation.org, provides a login link to Foundant GLM and system tutorials.

All potential grant applicants must first submit a Letter of Intent through Foundant GLM. The PCCF staff will review the proposed project. If your project meets the necessary criteria, PCCF will contact you to proceed with the submission of a full grant application using the online system.