

Beaver Island Christian Church - Food Pantry - for holiday baskets

Grant Award: \$1,890

This grant for the BI Food Pantry will provide food items for: 2018 Thanksgiving (12); 2018 Christmas (10); and 2019 Easter (12) to help make ends meet for island people in need.

Beaver Island Community School - to purchase preschool playground equipment

Grant Award: \$1,000

Beaver Island Community School seeks to upgrade playground options for their preschool-aged children. The grant will buy three pieces of age-appropriate equipment to be available for play during & after school hours.

Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association - to update the Strategic Plan

Grant Award: \$3,400

The BICAA would like assistance to hire a consultant to write a Strategic Plan. It will provide direction to the Board for the next 2 to 4 years, especially the financial resources and succession planning for the next phase.

Beaver Island Historical Society - to digitize the island Oral Histories collection

Grant Award: \$2,300

The BIHS proposes to digitize its entire oral history collection of 112 cassette tapes and make it accessible via the internet, the library and their museum. This project is high-priority because of the age and deterioration of the analog tapes.

Beaver Island Music Festival Inc. - to enhance 7 local events with musical arts

Grant Award: \$2,800

The BIMF, now Patrons of the Arts in Rural Communities (PARC), also has as a mission change. PARC will build partnerships with other island organizations by offering music at 7 existing local events. All events will be free of charge, family friendly, and offer a wide array of music supporting original artists and musicians.

Beaver Island Wildlife Club - for a wildlife habitat improvement project

Grant Award: \$2,500

This project is to purchase 100, 2-year old Dunstan Chestnut trees to improve wildlife habitat on the island. Trees will be distributed along with fencing, T posts and instructions for planting and maintaining the trees. An evaluation will be made in the spring the following year and the health of the trees will be monitored for 3 years.

Boyne City Public Schools - to create a "Wheeled Play Area" for preschool students

Grant Award: \$1,907

The new Early Learners program will serve 3 and 4 year-old BCPS students. An enhancement millage starting in January of 2019 will offer preschool free of charge & is expected to serve 90 students the first year. This grant would buy 17 tricycles for a special play area for these youngest BCPS students.

Boyne Valley Pantry - to purchase food from Manna

Grant Award: \$5,000

The BVFP in Boyne Falls would like a grant to purchase food at MANNA at a greatly reduced price, and offer it free to any family in Charlevoix County that comes to the pantry in need.

Challenge Mountain - to purchase donor software

Grant Award: \$4,000

Challenge Mountain is seeking a grant to support the first year purchase and implementation of a donor management software system, one piece of their Donor Development Plan. Challenge Mountain will also hire a consultant to write the Development Plan to increase capital funds for future lodge improvements.

Charlevoix Area Community Pool - for the Locker Room Addition

Grant Award: \$5,500

The CACP is requesting a grant for the construction of the Pool Renewal Project, Phase 3, Part 1: Locker Room Addition. This is a building space for new, accessible men's and women's locker rooms, and is the focus of this request.

Charlevoix Circle of Arts - to purchase outdoor seating, tables and a bike rack

Grant Award: \$3,500

The CCA is seeking funding to purchase outdoor tables, chairs and a bicycle rack to accommodate guests on their front and rear lawns. They are planning various outdoor events, concerts, and collaborating on gatherings throughout the Cultural Corridor and Van Pelt Alley. This will allow for a much fuller use of the property.

Charlevoix Elementary School - for the CES After School Enrichment Program

Grant Award: \$7,000

This grant would provide 40-60, 3rd through 6th grade students at CES with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) sessions after school. The goal of these sessions is for students to collaborate on projects and provide stimulating challenges in a supervised setting.

Christ Child Society of Northern Michigan - to provide essential baby items to newborns

Grant Award: \$5,000

The goal is to provide newborn essentials (layettes) to mothers receiving pre- and post-natal care through the Health Department of NW Michigan. Diaper bags are filled with clothes, an infant toothbrush, a sleep safe blanket, and educational tips. The Health Department distributes the layettes.

City of East Jordan – for a variety of site furnishings at Elm Pointe Park

Grant Award: \$7,793

The City of EJ is requesting a variety of site furnishings for Elm Pointe Park, including: a park rule sign; 4 grills; 1 outdoor volleyball net; 2 benches; 2 picnic tables; 3 waste/recycle receptacles on concrete pads. Care has been given to research materials, colors, while also assessing the reuse of existing items on the property. In addition, many of the items to be replaced are ADA compliant.

City of East Jordan - for various scene safety equipment for the EJ Fire Department Grant Award: \$2,500

The City of EJ is requesting a grant to purchase equipment to improve safety at active scenes. The City learned recently about improved safety tools, backed by research, that improve first responder's visibility and promote effective traffic communication with motorists. Purchases include more safety vests, reflective gloves, ABS Plastic Stop/Slow signs as well as an additional supply of 24-28" traffic cones.

Crooked Tree Arts Center - for scholarships and costs for the Up North Vocal Institute program Grant Award: \$3,000

CTAC is requesting grant dollars for the Up North Vocal Institute, a classical music vocal training program for young adults located in northern Michigan, now in its eighth year. A grant would provide assistance in 2018 for scholarships and costs for performances in Charlevoix, Boyne City, Bay Harbor and Mackinac Island.

East Jordan Historical Society - to hire musicians to play music at the Portside Art Fair in EJ Grant Award: \$800

The East Jordan Portside Arts & Historical Society's main event is the Portside Art Fair, always held the first weekend in August. This grant would supply an enhanced ambiance by providing a variety of musical genres and instruments on site, as patrons browse the art for purchase.

East Jordan Public Schools - to support a Dream Big Prize Closet & Game Passes at EJ Middle/High School Grant Award: \$3,000

Positive Behavior Support Systems (PBSS) are an essential part of a positive school climate. EJMHS currently has two different PBSS's in place, Merit Days for middle school students and Dream Big Cards for High School students. Currently prizes include: free popcorn at a game or a free cookie at lunch. This grant would purchase additional items to boost prizes and reward positive behavior. Some examples of prizes include water bottles, school gear, flash drives, notebooks, lunch line passes, snacks, candy, dance passes, headphones, key chains, fun socks, stickers, magnets, puzzles, art supplies, locker supplies, flip flops, books, Frisbees, sport balls, bookmarks, etc.

East Jordan Public Schools - to purchase a Computer Numerical Control Spindle Router Grant Award: \$4,000

This grant from EJPS is to purchase a CNC (Computer Numerical Control) router. This machine will provide training for woodshop and CAD classes, and will also be an asset for other programs such as Welding and Art. Skilled CNC operators rank as one of the highest careers in demand. This equipment will help prepare students for future training and/or career opportunities.

East Jordan Public Schools - to replace the scoreboard at Boswell Stadium Grant Award: \$10,000

EJPS is requesting support to replace the scoreboard at Boswell Stadium. The scoreboard has been in use since before 1992. The new scoreboard will be used not only for football games in the fall, but it will also integrate with the track and field electronic timing system.

East Jordan Public Schools - to purchase a Red Devil Robotics Team Trailer

Grant Award: \$2,400

The EJPS Red Devil Robotics is growing at a rapid rate and is in desperate need of storage and a way to transport cargo to competitions. The goal is to secure a completely enclosed cargo trailer that will act as a secure storage center for the off season, but also will be used to transport materials needed to compete in robotics competitions across the state.

East Jordan Public Schools – for garden bed maintenance and development

Grant Award: \$3,000

EJPS would like to improve existing garden beds and develop four new ones. With this grant, they will purchase soil testing equipment, material for bed frame construction, soil and compost to fill garden beds, wood chip pathways, age-appropriate garden tools for student use, as well as the seeds and plants.

Grandvue Medical Care Facility - to hire a consultant for fund development assistance Grant Award: \$14,400

Grandvue has been raising funds with in-house staff for the Parks and Terrace Project since 2015. This capacity building grant is requested to pay for a consultant to create a detailed fund development plan with the ultimate goal of raising the remaining \$360,000 needed to complete the project.

Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra - for two classical musical celebrations

Grant Award: \$5,100

The GLCO seeks funds to support two performances during the summer of 2018: one on July 3, 2018, at Castle Farms for their 100th Anniversary celebration; the other on July 3 at the Raven Hill Smithsonian Water/Ways Exhibit tour. Water-related programs will be presented by Raven Hill and local water, history and other arts organizations during the 6 week exhibit.

Inland Seas Education Association - to bring Underwater Remotely Operated Vehicles to Boyne City Grant Award: \$3,000

ISEA would like to bring their Underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) program to the first annual Boyne City Pirate Festival on the weekend of August 10 & 11, 2018 aboard their newest schooner, the 77' Utopia. Charlevoix County youth and their families will get to build and test their own underwater ROV on the ship deck. They can also operate professional quality, state-of-the-art ROV's through a challenge course deployed in Lake Charlevoix.

Little Traverse Conservancy - to acquire the McDowell property in Norwood Village Grant Award: \$5,000

The LTC seeks to acquire the 10-acre McDowell property, identified as a high priority purchase in the Township of Norwood Master Plan. It would add to other acreage to make a total of 32 acres of protected area within the Village of Norwood.

McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation - for the 2018 Patient Assistance Program Grant Award: \$4,000

McLaren Hospital Foundation is seeking grant support for their Patient Assistant Fund. Whether it is unemployment, lack of insurance, a medical need not covered by insurance, or a combination of these, many patients cannot afford the health care services they need. The goal of the Patient Assistance Program is to provide financial support for "non-reimbursable expenses" to give patients in our community access to medical care.

Melrose Township - for a Mobi-Mat at the Melrose Township Park beach Grant Award: \$3,000

Melrose Township is seeking grant funds for a Mobi-Mat as part of a larger project to improve accessibility and stabilize the Melrose Township Park waterfront and beach area on Walloon Lake. The Mobi-mat system will allow people with mobility-related disabilities direct access to the water. Mobi-mat systems are ADA-compliant, environmentally friendly, and low maintenance.

Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Fdtn - to purchase a Saebo MyoTrac Infiniti and staff training Grant Award: \$10,000

The MHCHF seeks a grant to purchase a Saebo-Myo Trac for patients who need rehabilitative therapy to regain and/or improve function in their extremities. The SaeboFlex is a glove-like, splint device that uses springs to both strengthen weakened muscles and relax constricted muscles. It would be housed at the Boyne Clinic.

North Country Community Mental Health - for the 2018 Client Special Needs program Grant Award: \$2,000

NCCMH services the mental and emotional health needs of people in six counties in NW Michigan. They are seeking funding support for their Special Needs Fund, which provides financial support for items that cannot be paid from other funding sources, i.e. Medicaid or State General Funds. Funding requests must be related to a goal in the client's treatment plan. Examples include: books or tuition assistance, gas cards or bus tokens, utility payments, car repairs, or temporary child care, among other items.

Northern Lakes Economic Alliance - to support the 4th year of the Green Light East Jordan program Grant Award: \$8,000

Now in its 4th Year, the Green Light East Jordan event helps start-up entrepreneurs by giving them a chance to earn capital for their venture by pitching their idea to judges in a contest format, providing exposure to angel investors, and offering continuing mentoring. This grant will provide funds for advertising and marketing.

Northern Michigan Equine Therapy - to purchase and install a lift system for horse therapy clients Grant Award: \$5,000

Funding received from this grant will go directly toward purchasing a body lift, a device that will improve the safety of mounting and dismounting clients with disabilities from therapy horses. NMET will be able to expand their ridership to people with mobility issues who, without a lift, may not have been able to experience equine assisted therapy.

Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity - to purchase a panel truck

Grant Award: \$12,000

The NWMHH is seeking to purchase a new panel truck. It will enable them to keep two trucks on the road, picking up donations from the community that will be taken to the ReStore. Profits are used to sustain their housing programs. They are seeking numerous partners to help raise the dollars to purchase the truck.

Planned Parenthood of Michigan - for the Menopause Project - Caring for Women age 40 and Over Grant Award: \$8,000

PPMSM is looking for grant assistance for the Menopause Project. This program is designed to provide women aged 40-plus with health care services that will make it possible for them to manage the physical symptoms and potential health risks of menopause. The grant will cover the cost of salaries (\$5,000); marketing (\$2,000); contraceptives and medications (\$1,000) for a minimum of 30 Charlevoix County women.

Raven Hill Discovery Center - to support programs for the "Water/Ways" Smithsonian exhibit Grant Award: \$6,000

Raven Hill has been approved by the Michigan Humanities Council as one of six sites for the Smithsonian Water/Ways national exhibit tour for six weeks in late summer 2018. Raven Hill is requesting support funding to present a variety of water-related programs and exhibits both at Raven Hill and at other community locations. Request: \$6,000

St. Matthew Catholic Church - for garden improvements

Grant Award: \$2,000

Three Boyne Area Catholic Churches planted a 70' X 90' garden in 2017 on property owned by St. Matthew's Church. A dozen volunteers worked hard to provide fresh vegetables to four community food pantries. With that first effort, much was learned on how efforts can be made more efficient. This grant would help fund 4 enhancements: 1) An automatic watering system 2) Soil amendments 3) Plants and seeds, and 4) A rototiller.

The Manna Food Project - for the Produce for People III project Grant Award: \$7,500

The "Produce for People III" project will enable Manna to to purchase an additional refrigeration unit or expand one of its current coolers and purchase fresh produce. It is part of a large project to increase the capacity to purchase and store produce from local farms, conduct cooking classes for pantry clients, and provide ongoing educational handouts that promote healthy eating habits.

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council – for a Water Resources Education Program for Middle Schools Grant Award: \$4,475

The Water Resources Education Program (WREP) is a program that engages middle school students in watershed experiences that enhance the local science curriculum, increase water resources literacy, and foster a stewardship ethic in a team structure. As part of WREP, students will research and investigate water resources issues and identify the need for action through learning about their surrounding community.

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council - to establish the WAVE volunteer program Grant Award: \$6,600

The TOMWC is seeking grant support to establish the WAVE volunteer program. WAVE will serve as an organizing hub for community groups in pursuit of volunteer opportunities in watershed protection. WAVE will provide these groups with both technical and financial resources. This grant funds the formation of 3 teams of 10 individuals.