



Community Priorities Cycle 2022

Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association - \$6,000

The Beaver Island Performing Arts Alliance (BIPAA) promotes the performing arts to enrich the greater Beaver Island community. This summer, besides producing the Baroque on Beaver summer festival, BIPAA will provide a variety of artistic performances, including a series of four jazz concerts throughout the summer and fall, which will incorporate professional musicians alongside local musicians from the Island.

Beaver Island Historical Society - \$7,500

The Beaver Island Historical Society operates two museums, one historical site, and one park on Beaver Island. The museums provide keystone activities for all summer visitors and a community hub for public discussions and activities year-round. In the last three years, the Print Shop Museum has nearly completed a reconstruction, new addition, and restoration project. This grant will help fund the final need for this project: a storage shed, built to match the style of the museum and located on-site, near the rear entrance, to store museum fixtures and inventory.

Charlevoix Area Community Pool - \$10,000

The pool is 25 years old and requires resurfacing to be done about every 10 years. It was last resurfaced about 12 years ago, making this work overdue. The grant will help fund the repairs, including draining the pool, repairing pot marks, fixing stairs, ladders, and ramps, restoring railings, and repairing tiles around the pool edge. The entire pool surface is then sanded down and resurfaced for proper maintenance.

Charlevoix Circle of Arts - \$10,000

CCA has an increased need for program funding because the demand for programs continues to grow. Feedback from constituents consistently reflects a necessity for more children's art programs, as well as a desire for ceramics/pottery classes. In the coming year, CCA will expand offerings to include an after-school art program and a ceramics/pottery program with classes for multiple ages and skill levels.



Charlevoix Historical Society - \$7,500

In 2021, as part of the Historical Society's Master Plan, half of the 2nd floor of the Harsha House Museum was renovated so it could be used as curator workspace, administrative office space, and improved storage for artifacts. This funding will purchase recommended storage equipment and materials, environmental control equipment, as well as a mobile worktable.

Great Start Collaborative / Char-Em ISD - \$10,000

Federal and state funded preschool programs fill to capacity in our local area quickly, leaving many eligible children/families wait-listed. With grant funds, Great Start Collaborative will assist with preschool tuition for at least 8 Charlevoix County children, ages three to five. Children will be placed in high-quality, tuition-based local preschool programs that meet a rating of 3 or higher within Michigan's Quality Rating and Improvement System. This ensures that the preschool program meets high-standards beyond state licensing and provides care and education that will foster the academic and social-emotional skills needed for success in kindergarten and beyond.

Child and Family Services of Northwestern Michigan - \$5,000

Research shows witnessing severe family conflict can be permanently damaging for children. Child exchanges, supervised visits, and coordination through the Safe Haven Supervised Visit/Safe Child Exchange Program protect children from trauma. CFS would like to build on the success of Safe Haven in Traverse City, (the only program north of Bay City) by creating Safe Haven North. This will reduce barriers like transportation over long distances, expense to families, and children's time spent traveling. It will increase the number of families served, making time slots more accessible. This grant will be used to study the viability of establishing Safe Haven North at the Harbor Springs CFS office and begin preliminary planning.

Crooked Tree Arts Center - \$2,681

With a goal of sparking meaningful dialogue, inspiring creative thinking, encouraging diversity, and bringing together community members, Coffee @ Ten is free to attendees. Talks are diverse, both thematically and materially, and are given by mainly local or regional talent. CTAC will expand the Coffee @ Ten Series by offering honoraria and/or travel stipends to guest speakers and increasing the promotion for the events.



East Jordan Ambulance Association - \$16,376

Jordan Valley EMS Authority's education program currently teaches to the EMT-B license level but plans to expand education to the next level - Advanced EMT. Advanced EMTs can administer fluids and provide other critical care without waiting for a paramedic to intercept the patient, potentially saving lives. Additionally, they will continue teaching CPR classes and providing CPR masks to all class participants. The grant will go toward textbooks, training equipment required by the State for AEMT level, and compensation for guest speakers and instructors.

Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore - \$4,000

GSMISTS builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. GSMISTS empowers 137 girls and 58 adults in Charlevoix County to lead their own adventures, team up with others, and participate in their chosen activities with the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. This project aims to support Charlevoix County Troop Leaders, resulting in increased retention of Troop Leaders and greater access to Girl Scouts for economically-disadvantaged girls.

Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra - \$5,000

The mission of the GLCO is to inspire, entertain, and educate through live, professional, community-connected orchestral programming. Grant funds will support three concerts offering a wide range of musical styles - "something for everyone." In July, internationally recognized singing group *Rockapella* presents rock music both a cappella and with orchestra; October features classical contemporary music by American composers; and November's concert highlights traditional classical favorites by Mozart & Beethoven.

Lake Charlevoix Mariners Inc. - \$1,874

The mission of Sail Charlevoix is to deliver exceptional, safe, and affordable sailing instruction and experiences to the greater Lake Charlevoix community. They serve approximately 360 students per summer in classes held on Lake Charlevoix, in Boyne City and Charlevoix. Funds will help to rebuild the boat dock used for sailing classes, which is in real need of repair.



Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Foundation - \$27,000

The benefits of minimally invasive surgery make it a preferred method for many patients but visibility for surgeons can be a drawback. Despite a surgeon's knowledge of anatomy or surgical skill, minimally invasive procedures are challenging and can restrict a surgeon's visibility. Charlevoix Hospital will purchase a Video Tower Monitor for minimally invasive surgeries that will provide surgeons with state-of-the-art images of key anatomy structure and result in increased control and accuracy during procedures.

North Central Michigan College Foundation - \$10,000

NCMC has been working intentionally to improve student engagement and experience - to unite, foster camaraderie, and encourage a sense of belonging - both on campus and within the community. One exciting way NCMC is working to achieve these goals is by launching varsity athletics. Funding will support athletic scholarships for student athletes from Charlevoix County, plus necessary program equipment. Athletic scholarships are essential to removing the financial barriers that prevent student athletes from attending college. Program equipment is essential to starting competition this fall.

Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers - \$6,000

Bleachers on the Flywheelers' property are used for Student Harvest Days, the Engine and Craft Show, and by families and senior citizens who attend the annual show in July. Sections of bleachers get used at the demonstrations and positioned along the tractor parade route. The current bleachers are well worn after decades of use, plus they are heavy and difficult for volunteers to move. The grant will purchase new, safe, lightweight, portable bleachers.

Preservation Association of Beaver Island - \$4,600

The Emerald Isle Irish Festival's purpose is to strengthen and enrich the community's connection to its Irish cultural heritage through the arts. Funding will help to bring acclaimed Irish musician Aoife Scott and Band from Ireland to Beaver Island as a core component of the 2022 Emerald Isle Irish Féile (Festival). Aoife Scott's presence will reinforce the connection between Beaver Island and Ireland and will complement the other scheduled artists and cultural activities for the community to enjoy.

