



Grant Information

Youth-Led Community Service Projects

Our community's link to the future.

Grant Due Date: 4 pm 10/14

Washington County Youth Foundation Grant Application

What's Being Offered?

Grants are available for projects that:

- ❖ Put the ideas and energies of young people to work to address important community needs
- ❖ Are designed and carried out by young people with adults serving as advisors
- ❖ Can be started and finished by the same group of young people
- ❖ Have a realistic budget and solid plans

Who is Eligible?

Youth groups, community organizations, religious communities, schools, classrooms, and other not-for-profit organizations that actively engage young people ages 5 to 19 in solving community problems are welcome to apply.

How do I apply?

In order to be considered, the following must be submitted to the Washington County Community Foundation office:

- ❖ Completed Washington County Youth Foundation Grant Application
- ❖ Proof of not-for-profit status:
 - 501 (c) (3) IRS authorization
 - Registration as an Indiana Non-Profit Business Entity
 - Demonstration of charitable status

Completed application materials are due by: 10/14

Please deliver materials to the Washington County Community Foundation Office at 1707 North Shelby, Salem, IN 47167

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WHAT CAN GRANT MONEY BE USED FOR?

Washington County Youth Foundation grants may be used for the direct operation of the project, **transportation**, and **recognition** of the project participants. The majority of the grant money must be used to carry out the project. Recognition costs cannot exceed 10% of the grant award.

WHAT SHOULD PROJECTS DO TO QUALIFY FOR FUNDING?

To qualify for funding:

- ❖ Project must address a community need.
- ❖ Project must be planned and implemented by a youth group located in Washington County.
- ❖ Youth group must be associated with a not-for-profit organization.

WHAT COSTS CANNOT BE COVERED BY THE GRANT?

The grant money *may not* be used for the following:

- ❖ **Overhead** costs
- ❖ Salaries or **wages**
- ❖ Direct **donations to other organizations**
- ❖ Purchase of **capital items**

WHAT'S THIS ABOUT A PROJECT SCREENING?

Youth members of the Washington County Youth Foundation will interview all youth groups that submit eligible project proposals.

The Youth Board will look for projects in which:

- ❖ **Youth have a variety of roles and responsibilities**, with adults serving as guides or facilitators.
- ❖ **Creative solutions to community needs** or problems are offered.
- ❖ **Plans are cost effective**, achieving the most benefit with the fewest dollars.
- ❖ **Appropriate publicity and recognition** will increase the public's awareness of the project and the work being done by youth for the community.
- ❖ **Networks within the community** help with the project through donation of services or materials.
- ❖ **Reflection activities** help youth gain insight into how they can make the world a better place.

Submission of proposal that meets all the requirements does not guarantee funding. Washington County Youth Foundation has limited funds and will select a range of diverse projects. Please read guidelines carefully before submitting a proposal.