



The Western Reserve Health Foundation

Spring 2018 Request for Proposals (RFP) – *Issue Specific Grants Program*

Granting Priorities

The Western Reserve Health Foundation requests proposals for innovative projects within the following issue-specific areas, each aligning with a restricted fund of the Foundation.

- Cancer Fund
 - Supports programs/projects that address needs of cancer patients and/or their families

- Tod Children's Hospital Pediatric Fund
 - Supports programs/projects that improve the quality of children's health, with a focus on underserved populations

In addition, the Western Reserve Health Foundation gives priority to projects that:

- Address underlying social and economic challenges contributing to poor health outcomes in the communities served, such as poverty, lack of access to healthy foods and absence of parks/recreational centers
- Extend past individual behavior or *program* related services by modifying policies, systems and environments to help make healthy options practical and readily available
- Demonstrate collaboration among sectors, including public health, government, education, healthcare, etc.
- Prioritize engagement of residents from the communities served
- Adhere to existing evidence-based best practices or promising practices
- Leverage additional funding as well as community assets
- Provide an established plan for evaluation including measurable outcomes

Guidelines

Eligible applicants must be tax-exempt organizations under Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) or operate under the fiscal sponsorship of a tax-exempt non-profit, including schools, churches and public organizations. Eligible organizations must provide services which contribute to the health and wellness of the residents of Mahoning County.

Requests should also not exceed 50% of the budget of the requested program/project.

***Request amount must receive prior approval by the Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley. Please contact Casey Krell before submitting an application for the Issue Specific Grants Program.**

How to Apply

Interested applicants must submit an application with supporting documentation on or before March 30, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. Final grant decisions will be announced in June 2018. Grant applications are available at www.cfmv.org/western-reserve-health-foundation.

Contact Information

For approval on request amount and more information concerning the Western Reserve Health Foundation Issue Specific Grants Program, please contact Casey Krell, Director of Supporting Organizations and Donor Services, Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley, at (330) 743-5555 or ckrell@cfmv.org.