

FREY FOUNDATION

Grant Guidelines

Eligibility

We accept applications from charitable organizations that impact one or more of the Frey Foundation's program areas.



As a collaborative funder, Frey Foundation generally considers funding up to 15% of a total program budget and up to 5% of a capital project budget.

We are not likely to fund conferences or events, requests for general operating support, or programs that require participants to practice or adhere to specific religious beliefs.



Our geographic focus is primarily in Kent, Emmet and Charlevoix counties or the broader West/Northern Michigan region.



For more information on eligibility visit www.freyfdn.org



We value inclusive practices in board recruitment, hiring and delivery of service.

Program Areas

The Frey Foundation invests in four major program areas in West and Northern Michigan. Our current grantmaking priorities are as follows:

Building Community

- Ensuring access to affordable housing for all.
- Encouraging well-planned development to create strong city centers and vibrant neighborhoods.
- Fostering public-private partnerships to leverage capital investments that enhance local and regional impact.
- Supporting workforce development.

Community Arts

- Improving inclusion and access to high-quality arts and cultural experiences and education for under-resourced populations.
- Supporting an arts and cultural community that is strong, diverse and valued by local residents.
- Supporting collaboration and capacity building for arts and culture organizations.

Children & Families

- Ensuring access to high-quality child care and preschool programs.
- Ensuring all children have the opportunity to reach their full potential.
- Leveraging community systems that ensure students and schools are successful.
- Partnering with parents to ensure families thrive.

Environment

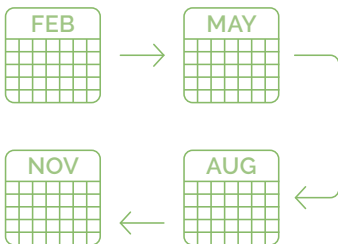
- Expanding and connecting regional trails and greenways.
- Preserving and restoring significant lakes and streams.
- Protecting critical lands including farmland, parkland, and natural habitat areas.

How to Apply



- ① **Review:** Confirm eligibility by reviewing grant guidelines
- ② **Inquire:** Submit brief inquiry online
- ③ **Apply:** If invited, complete a full application
- ④ **Meet:** You may be contacted for a meeting or site visit
- ⑤ **Decision:** You will be notified of Trustee funding decision

Timeline



Funding decisions are made by Frey Foundation Trustees quarterly in February, May, August, and November.

Please note that decision timelines may vary based on several factors, including proposal readiness. Foundation staff will keep you informed throughout the review process.

Questions?
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