

Reston & Area Foundation

Grant Application Guidelines

- Organizations must demonstrate a strong and committed board, fiscal responsibility and effective management
- Projects must benefit primarily the people of the RM of Pipestone and the former RM of Albert
- Applicants must establish that there is a need for the project
- Grants are awarded for specific purposes and for projects covering a definite period of time, typically one year or less
- Pilot or demonstration projects must include provision for evaluation and a realistic plan for financial viability beyond the pilot stage
- Matching or challenge grants may be made in appropriate circumstances to stimulate response from other sources

Preference is given to projects which:

- encourage more efficient use of community resources
- test or demonstrate new approaches and techniques
- developed in consultation with other organizations
- promote co-operation and sharing
- promote volunteer participation and citizen involvement
- strengthen an organization's capacity to be sustainable

Some limitations on funding include

- focuses within the area served by Reston & Area Foundation
- local impact and benefits are important
- funds go to the greater need
 - e.g. not a minor part of a large budget
- multi-year funding is low priority
- usually not available to individuals
- **if a grant is awarded and not used by the end of June the following year the recipient may apply in writing to the board to request 1 year extension, if not used by then the fund will be returned to the Winnipeg Foundation managed fund**

Grants are not made to or for

- on going operating costs
- annual fund drives
- reduce deficits or retire debt
- projects already completed
- direct religious activities
- sectarian or political activities
- endowment funds

If you have questions or need further information please reach out to the board email at reston.area.foundation@outlook.com