



A Fund of the Community Foundation  
for Southeast Michigan

### ***About the Fund***

The Community Foundation for Livingston County, an affiliate fund of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, is a permanent community endowment that was established in 1991 to enhance the quality of life in Livingston County. The fund continues to grow as a result of the generous contributions of many individuals and businesses in Livingston County. The Community Foundation for Livingston County is advised by a group of civic leaders who live or work in Livingston County and care deeply about the community.

### ***Grantmaking from the Fund***

The Community Foundation for Livingston County awards grants of varying sizes that strengthen Livingston County and benefit its residents. Grants average \$5,000 and typically range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Normally, grants are not made for projects or travel outside of Livingston County.

The grantmaking priorities for the Community Foundation for Livingston County are aligned with the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan's *Pre-Application Questionnaire* and *Grantmaking Guidelines* in terms of general content and supporting material for a grant application. Wherever there is a contradiction, this document takes precedence. Both the *Pre-Application Questionnaire* and the *Guidelines for Grantmaking* can be found at [www.cfsem.org](http://www.cfsem.org).

### ***Who May Apply***

The Foundation will make grants to 501(c)(3) organizations, government entities, school districts and universities that provide programs that serve Livingston County. Organizations must have an independent certified financial audit. We do not make grants to individuals, sectarian religious programs or to cover deficits or other previously incurred obligations.

### ***How to Apply***

Potential applicants are encouraged to contact the Community Foundation to discuss a proposed project before submitting a proposal. Please call 1-888-WE-ENDOW (888-933-6369) or (810) 229-2550 and ask to speak with a program officer for the Community Foundation for Livingston County. Staff members are available to discuss your ideas and answer any questions you have about the grantmaking process. Whether or not you decide to proceed with an application, we welcome the opportunity to learn more from you about the issues and opportunities in Livingston County as you see them.

You can apply to the Community Foundation for Livingston County at any time. However, if you submit your proposal prior to February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, you will typically receive a response within 3-4 months. Upon submission, Foundation staff will let you know if notification of a decision is likely to take longer.

*Please address proposals and requests for additional information to:*

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