

# Marshall Community Foundation

## Grant Guidelines

### Areas of Interest

- Community Improvement
- Diversity
- Wellness
- Youth Development

### Target Populations

- All Ages
- Youth
- Diversity

### Types of Support

- Building, purchasing or remodeling projects
- Capital (land, building renovation, equipment, computer systems)
- Conferences/seminars
- Curriculum Development
- General purposes/operating support
- Non-existing/new programs or projects
- Small remodeling projects or the purchase of office furnishings, supplies, etc.
- Staff support
- Startup funds

### The Marshall Community Foundation generally will NOT make grants for:

- Activity outside of the Marshall area
- Debt retirement
- School-based curriculum development
- For-profit businesses
- Individuals
- Lobbying or political activities
- Religious purposes/activities
- National ceremonies, memorials, etc
- National fundraising campaigns
- Ticket sales, raffles, or fundraising dinners

Proposals must be submitted by a 501 (c)(3) organization, a unit of government, or by a public agency. Organizations that are not tax exempt must apply through a suitable fiscal agent willing to accept responsibility for the project.

- All proposals must demonstrate a benefit within the Marshall area.
- The Foundation prefers projects that are submitted by local applicants.
- Proposals incorporate an innovative approach and avoid duplication of efforts.
- Proposals have clearly stated goals.
- Partnerships are important. Proposals which involve appropriate partnerships should include letters of support from involved agencies, organizations, and individuals clearly outlining both their support and contributions to the success of the project. Priority consideration is given to collaborative approaches.
- Grants generally range from \$500 to \$5,000.
- Grant requests are considered for one year of funding.
- Additional project funding may be considered annually and at a declining funding level for up to two additional years.