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HURON COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 2025 ROUND ONE COMMUNITY GRANTS AVAILABLE

Norwalk, Ohio, January 13, 2025 — The 2025 Huron County Community Foundation Round One grants application portal is officially open. Round 1 grant applications are due by 11:59 pm February 15, 2025. The online application can be found at <u>https://www.huronccf.org/grants</u> along with a description of the Foundation's grant priorities.

Huron County Community Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life in Huron County, now and for generations to come, through charitable giving and connecting donors to community needs. The Foundation continues a tradition of mindful, effective grant-making addressing a variety of needs throughout Huron County. Through community grantmaking, the Huron County Community Foundation seeks projects that will serve each corner of Huron County in the areas of Animal Welfare, Arts and Culture, Education, Economic Development, Environmental Causes, Health, Social Services, and Youth Services.

While, through its grantmaking, the foundation seeks a healthy and thriving Huron County for all, the Foundation is especially concerned with our community's children. The Foundation prioritizes grants that provide educational enrichment opportunities, create safe spaces for learning and development, encourage physical activities and the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors, nurture budding artists and musicians along with teaching appreciation to all for the musical, visual, and dramatic arts, and provide access to nutritious food and help alleviate family food insecurity.

In 2024, Huron County Community Foundation awarded grants totaling \$58,921 to 20 organizations.

Organizations Awarded in 2024

Artists' Open Studio Back to the Wild, Inc. Bellevue Society for the Arts Camp Conger, Inc. Cancer Services of Erie County City of Norwalk Parks & Recreation Department Firelands Symphony Orchestra Kinship, Inc. dba Kinship House LifeWise Academy - New London New London Greenwich Rail Trail, Inc. North Fairfield Improvement Group Norwalk Area United Fund Norwalk Arts Center Norwalk Economic Development Corp. Norwalk Public Library OHgo

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Project Noelle The Salvation Army Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio Willard City Schools

Grant cycles currently occur twice each year, with applications due February 15 and August 15. Organizations, grant seekers, and individuals wishing to leave a legacy in Huron County through charitable giving should visit <u>https://www.huronccf.org/</u> or call (419) 621-9690 for more information.

About Huron County Community Foundation

Huron County Community Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit dedicated to improving the quality of life in Huron County, Ohio, now and for generations to come, through charitable giving and connecting donors to community needs. Established in 1997 as an affiliate fund of the Community Foundation of Lorain County, in 2021 it became its own independent community foundation.

Huron County Community Foundation is governed by an independent Board of Directors and Officers comprised of Huron County business, civic, and non-profit leaders. The Board of Directors employs Foundation staff, establishes policies and priorities, and directs final grantmaking decisions. The Board's strength lies in the diverse range of knowledge and expertise of its members, and in their shared commitment to improving the quality of life in Huron County, Ohio.

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