Application Deadline Dates are as follows:

**IMPACT Youth Grants:**
- February 15

**Women’s Fund Grants:**
- May 15

**Community Grants:**
- September 1

**Teacher Mini-Grants:**
- September 8

Grant Award Notification is as follows:

**IMPACT Youth Grants:**
- April 1

**Women’s Fund Grants:**
- July 1

**Community Grants:**
- November 1

**Teacher Mini-Grants:**
- November 1

The appropriate grants committee reviews all requests, with ratification and final determination made by the ACCF Board of Trustees.

Should a grant be approved, applicants are required to sign a grant agreement form. (Grant dollars are disbursed upon receipt of the signed grant agreement.) A follow-up report by the grantee is always required and is a condition for future eligibility of ACCF grants.

**IMPACT Youth Grants**

IMPACT Youth Grants are competitive grants awarded by ACCF to 501(c)(3) and other qualifying charitable organizations in support of projects and initiatives specifically designed to benefit the youth of Ashland County. ACCF’s IMPACT Youth Council is charged with the decision-making responsibility of awarding grants annually. Grants are not made to individuals.

**What do IMPACT Youth Grants support?**

Support is provided for:
- Project grants
- Program development
- Seed money
- Equipment
- Matching/Challenge grants
- Capital campaigns
- Building and renovation

Support is not provided for:
- Operating expenses
- Cash reserves/debt reduction
- Annual campaigns
- Existing endowment funds
- Religious organizations for religious purposes

**How do I apply for an IMPACT Youth Grant?**

All grant requests must be submitted using the Foundation’s IMPACT Youth Grant application form which can be accessed on ACCF’s website at www.accommunityfoundation.org. An interview with the Youth Council is required following proposal submission. Deadline for submitting completed applications is February 15.

**Women’s Fund Grants**

Women’s Fund Grants are competitive grants awarded by ACCF to 501(c)(3) and other qualifying charitable organizations that contribute to the community-wide benefit of women. Grants are not made to individuals.

Grants are provided with the aim of enhancing the economic independence, innovative leadership, skills development and resources of Ashland County’s women.

**What do Women’s Fund Grants support?**

Support is provided for:
- Project grants
- Program development
- Seed money
- Equipment
- Matching/Challenge grants
- Capital campaigns

Support is not provided for:
- Operating expenses
- Cash reserves/debt reduction
- Annual campaigns
- Existing endowment funds
- Religious organizations for religious purposes

**How do I apply for a Women’s Fund Grant?**

All grant requests must be submitted using the Foundation’s Women’s Fund Grant application form which can be accessed on ACCF’s website at www.accommunityfoundation.org. An interview with the Women’s Fund Committee is required following proposal submission. Deadline for submitting completed applications is May 15.
ACCF GRANTS OVERVIEW

COMPETITIVE GRANTS

- ACCF Community Grants
- Scholarships: Annual awards are made to deserving and qualified students. ACCF’s scholarship program is designed with scholarship screeners, professional readers and committees, in coordination with local high schools, for scholarship selection and awarding of grants.
- Women’s Fund Grants
- Teacher Mini-Grants
- IMPACT Youth Grants

NON-COMPETITIVE GRANTS

(No application process. All are donor-created, named funds.)

- Donor Designated Funds: grants are made annually to donor-named charitable organizations
- Donor Advised Funds: grants are made to donor-recommended charities each year
- Agency Funds: local non-profit organizations receive grants from their own quasi-endowed funds each quarter

COMMUNITY GRANTS/TEACHER MINI-GRANTS

Community Grants are competitive grants awarded by ACCF to 501(c)(3) and other qualifying charitable organizations that contribute to the community-wide benefit. Grants are not made to individuals.

Grants are awarded in the fields of Arts and Culture, Community Progress, Education, Health and Human Services, and Environment.

What do Community Grants support?

Support is provided for:

- Project grants
- Program development
- Seed money
- Equipment
- Matching/Challenge grants
- Capital campaigns
- Building and renovation

Support is not provided for:

- Operating expenses
- Cash reserves/debt reduction
- Annual campaigns
- Existing endowment funds
- Religious organizations for religious purposes

How do I apply for a Community Grant?

All grant requests must be submitted using the Foundation’s Community Grant application form which can be accessed on ACCF’s website at www.accommunityfoundation.org. An interview is required for first-time applicants. An optional interview with the Committee is recommended for all applicants following proposal submission. Deadline for submitting completed applications is Sept. 1.

The Foundation, through a Community Grants Initiative, is offering named, unrestricted donor-designated giving opportunities at tiered levels under the “umbrella” of the ACCF Community Grants Program. Donors may create named funds from which annual distribution dollars are unrestricted and available to meet community needs via ACCF’s Community Grants Program.

TEACHER MINI-GRANTS

Teacher Mini-Grants are competitive grants awarded to teachers grades kindergarten to high school senior in accredited Ashland County public and private schools. Teacher Mini-Grants are intended to foster educational innovation by funding creative ideas not supported by school budgets. ARTSDREAM, a component of the Mini-Grants program, is specific to projects in the arts and the Sandy Brown Honorary Vocal Music Fund is a component to benefit vocal music education in Ashland County schools. (Please note: the Teacher Mini-Grants program is for all subjects, not solely the arts and music.)

What do Teacher Mini-Grants support?

Mini-Grants encourage the design of special projects, events, or activities in any academic subject that will impact any segment of the school. Funding can be used for supplies, equipment or any other expense related to a special project.

How do I apply for a Teacher Mini-Grant?

All eligibility information, guidelines and application form can be obtained from Ashland County school principal offices or the ACCF website at www.accommunityfoundation.org. The deadline for submitting completed applications is September 8.

Funding Opportunities:

- $1 Million and Above
  - Anonymous Fund
  - Hazel Myers Spreng Fund, In Honor of Her Parents, Mr. & Mrs. A. N. Myers
  - $500,000 to $999,999
  - Robert and Charlene Elliston Fund
  - $200,000 to $499,999
  - ACCF Community Grants Endowment Fund
  - $100,000 to $199,999
  - Byron and Virginia Rapp Dilgard Fund
  - Elinor and T. W. Miller, Jr. Foundation Sutton Bank Fund
  - Timken Fund
  - $50,000 to $99,999
  - Diana and Stanford Brechbuhler Fund for the Environment
  - William and Martha Buckingham L. Gene and Portia Burns
  - Robert C. and Esther L. Bush Fund
  - J. Robert and Ruth L. Tipton Fund
  - David and Keelie Wurster Family Fund
  - $25,000 to $49,999
  - Nancy R. Donley Fund
  - Farmers and Savings Bank Fund
  - Dr. Lucille G. Ford Honorary Fund
  - Russell E. and Harriette R. Geisinger Fund Dr. Robert C. and Marjorie L. Howell Fund
  - $10,000 to $24,999
  - L. Dean and Helen L. White Family Fund
  - The Buren Insurance Group Fund
  - Ted and Patricia Byerly Fund
  - Charles River Laboratories Fund
  - James and Kristi Cutright Fund
  - Dr. Robert and Nancy Davis Fund
  - Johnson Bros. Rubber Company Fund
  - Larry L. and Vicky L. Lippert Fund
  - $5,000 to $9,999
  - Lutz Family Fund
  - Roger and Debra Lyons Fund
  - Jay and Liz Myers Fund
  - Susan Daugherty Shafer Fund for the Arts
  - Dr. Andrew and Jennifer Stein Family Fund
  - Charles and Jane Taylor Fund
  - Janet M. Young Fund
  - $1,000 to $4,999
  - Charles River Laboratories Fund
  - Mrs. A. N. Myers
  - The Lutz Family Fund
  - Mrs. C. H. Spreng
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Named Community Grants

In Honor of Her Parents,