

# 2019 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

A FOUNDATION FOR RURAL SERVICE PROGRAM

## TOGETHER, WE CAN BOOST OUR COMMUNITY

The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization that works in cooperation with NTCA–The Rural Broadband Association (NTCA) to sustain and enhance the quality of life in America by advancing an understanding of rural issues.

The **Community Grant Program** is offered annually through NTCA's rural broadband members, like us, to support local efforts to build and sustain a high quality of life in rural America.

These grants support projects in the following categories:

- **Business and Economic Development**  
Devise a plan to turn your community into a global phenomenon by growing small or existing businesses, developing new ones and implementing a job creation program that attracts key talent from your community or from skilled individuals interested in relocating to small town America.
- **Community Development**  
Develop an outreach program that helps to promote advancing the technology skills of your community members, incorporates innovation into learning, raises the visibility of your community's talent and artistry, and places your town on everyone's bucket list as the place to visit.
- **Education**  
Support advances in education by helping your schools get technology (computers, smart boards, etc.) in the classroom, build resources for curriculum development, strengthen extracurricular activities and programs, and promote distance learning programs.
- **Telecommunications Applications**  
Show how you plan to turn your community into a technological powerhouse by promoting the implementation and use of broadband-enabled applications for telehealth, education, government services, safety and security, and efficient energy distribution and use.



Submit Your  
Grant Proposals by  
**September 6**

## Do you have a community project that needs funding?

We're accepting grant requests ranging between \$250 and \$5,000.

Ten percent of the award will consist of a match from

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Each grant is a one-time award.



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## APPLYING IS EASY

Please submit a grant proposal containing all of the items listed below. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

### Your grant proposal must include:

1. Cover letter indicating project leader or person responsible for funds (include all contact information: address, telephone number and project leader email address).
2. Organizational overview (mission of organization, your programs and major activities).
3. General description of project (no more than three to five pages) that includes:
  - a. Problem statement (Why are you doing this project? What is the need within the community?)
  - b. Goals and objectives
  - c. Project activities
  - d. Target population (demographics)
  - e. Listing of other partners in the community (if applicable)
  - f. Estimation of project start and end dates
4. Project budget and amount requested.
  - a. Listing of other funding sources for the project (include financial commitment)
5. W-9 form with a tax ID number and 501c(3) certificate (if applicable).

### FRS will not fund grants to the following:

- Individuals
- Scholarship programs
- International organizations
- Lobbying and political activities
- Ticketed events
- Infrastructure/building campaigns
- Capital campaigns
- Endowments
- Event sponsorships
- Community food programs
- Loan programs

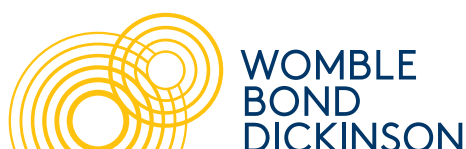
### SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSALS TO:



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