



## June 2020 Grant Awards

### Local Grants

#### Area of focus: Vibrant Itasca Area

##### Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency

Operating support for the Adult Scholarship Program in 2020-22 in Itasca County. **\$400,000**

##### City of Coleraine

Project support for a rain garden as part of the Blandin Community Leadership grants program in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

##### Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Donation in support of Grand Rapids High School 2020 Post Prom event in Itasca County. **\$750**

##### Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Project support for a mobility/accessibility transportation voucher program in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

##### Grand Rapids Band Boosters

Donation in support of the 2020-21 Grand Rapids Band Activities Calendar in Itasca County. **\$550**

##### Grand Rapids FFA Alumni and Supporters

Project support for Knock Out Hunger as part of the Blandin Community Leadership Program in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

##### Independent School District 318

Donation in support of advertising the 2020-21 Blandin Education Grants Program in the Grand Rapids High School yearbook in Itasca County. **\$300**

##### Independent School District 318

Donation in support of Family Night benefiting Native American students and their families in Itasca County. **\$1,000**

##### Independent School District 318

Operating support for Children's First! activities through June 2022 in Itasca County. **\$45,000**

##### Independent School District 316

Operating support for Children's First! activities through June 2022 in Itasca County. **\$6,000**

##### Independent School District 317

Operating support for Children's First! activities through June 2022 in Itasca County. **\$6,000**

**Independent School District 319**

Operating support for Children's First! activities through June 2022 in Itasca County. **\$6,000**

**Itasca Area Schools Collaborative**

Operating support for continuation of the Invest Early program in Itasca County. **\$2,100,000**

**Itasca Community College**

Project support for cultural programming for Native American students in Itasca County. **\$9,300**

**Itasca County Land Department**

Donation in support of safety fencing at Gunn Park in Itasca County. **\$1,000**

**Itasca County Public Health**

Project support for a Mental Health Changemakers Retreat in Itasca County. **\$25,000**

**Itasca Economic Development Corporation**

Project support for the Thrive Up North Campaign in Itasca County. **\$20,000**

**Itasca Ski & Outing Club**

Project support for Itasca Ski and Outing Club for safety equipment at Mt. Itasca in Itasca County. **\$2,500**

**MN Assistance Council for Veterans**

Project support for programming and services to veterans in Itasca County. **\$10,000**

**Northland Area Family Service Center**

Project support for strategic planning to advance the Northland Early Education Collaborative, Leech Lake Head Start and Northland Schools in Itasca County. **\$15,000**

**Pengilly Booster Club**

Capital support for community center upgrades in Itasca County. **\$3,000**

**Rural Minnesota****Area of Focus: Effective Stewards****Minnesota Council of Nonprofits Inc**

Project support for 2020 membership assistance in rural Minnesota. **\$1,750**

**Area of Focus: Expand Opportunity****Minnesota Chamber Foundation**

Project support for Minnesota 2030 research project in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

**Minnesota Public Radio**

Operating support through June 2022 to continue rural news reporting, distribution and in-depth coverage in rural Minnesota. **\$200,000**

**Northland Foundation**

Project support for business succession planning and technical assistance in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Northland Foundation**

Project support for the continuation of the Rural Equitable Development initiative during 2020 in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

**Northwest Indian Community Development Center**

Project support for Minnesota Homeless Winter Initiative in rural Minnesota. **\$10,000**

**Area of Focus: Community Leadership****Anishinaabe Legal Services**

Capital support for upgrades to its building in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**City of Thief River Falls**

Project support for workforce attraction and retention as part of the Blandin Community Leadership program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

**Conexiones**

Project support for organizational capacity building to better serve Latinx community members in rural Minnesota. **\$45,000**

**HOPE Coalition**

Project support for Red Wing Area Homeless Committee as part of the Blandin Community Leadership program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

**Le Sueur County**

Donation in support of meeting and marketing costs in Le Sueur County as part of the Broadband Program in rural Minnesota. **\$1,000**

**Longville Area Community Choir**

Donation in support of Music in the Park in rural Minnesota. **\$300**

**Native Governance Center**

Project support for furthering the We Are Still Here Initiative in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Senior Resources of Freeborn County**

Project support to expand transportation options for senior citizens as part of the Blandin Leadership Grant program in rural Minnesota. **\$2,500**

**United Way of Northeastern Minnesota**

Project support for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica and Mobile Education Center project as part of the Blandin Leadership Grant program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

**Waseca County**

Project support for a feasibility study as part of the Broadband Program in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

## **COVID-19 Grants**

### **Itasca Area**

#### **Advocates For Family Peace**

Project support for domestic violence prevention in Itasca County. **\$20,000**

#### **Bigfork Valley Foundation**

Project support for community and hospital emergency response needs and to establish a low-interest business loan program in Itasca County. **\$35,000**

#### **City of Nashwauk**

Capital support for equipment to hold city-led meetings virtually in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

#### **Cohasset Economic Development Authority**

Program Related Investment to support small businesses within the City of Cohasset during the COVID-19 crisis in Itasca County. **\$50,000**

#### **First Call for Help of Itasca County**

Project support for supplies and equipment in Itasca County. **\$10,000**

#### **Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation**

Project support for the Sharing Fund to help low-income residents with essential needs in Itasca County. **\$137,000**

#### **Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation**

Project support for strengthening access to mental health supports in Itasca County. **\$13,000**

#### **Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation**

Project support to support nonprofit and other community organizations engaging in immediate basic needs relief, short-term response, and longer-term recovery during the health and economic crisis. in Itasca County. **\$150,000**

#### **Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority**

Program Related Investment to establish a small business COVID-19 loan fund to be named "Emergency Working Capital Loan Fund" in Itasca County. **\$500,000**

#### **Great Minds Learning Center**

Project support to implement specialized online learning for children in Itasca County. **\$8,300**

#### **Itasca Area Schools Collaborative**

Project support for emergency assistance to care for children of medical and service industry workers in the Itasca area. **\$15,000**

#### **Itasca Economic Development Corporation**

Project support for the Itasca Strong campaign to support local businesses in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

**Itasca Economic Development Corporation**

Program Related Investment to establish a COVID-19 response fund for small businesses to be named "Itasca Small Business Relief Fund" in Itasca County. **\$500,000**

**KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc**

Project support for computers and internet service for area low-income families to ensure immediate access to new, state-mandated online K-12 education in Itasca County. **\$25,000**

**Northern Community Radio KAXE**

Project support for remote operating equipment in Itasca County. **\$19,314**

**Northland Counseling Center Inc**

Project support for technology and internet upgrades to serve mental health needs in Itasca County. **\$25,000**

**Northland Foundation**

Project support for the Emergency Child Care Grant Program in Itasca County. **\$30,000**

**Second Harvest North Central Food Bank**

Project support for emergency food packaging and distribution in Itasca County. **\$10,000**

**Rural Minnesota****Bois Forte Band of Chippewa Indians**

Project support for food distribution to meet essential needs and for strengthening the Band's emergency response infrastructure for Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Fond Du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa**

Project support for food distribution to meet essential needs and for strengthening the Band's emergency response infrastructure for Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Headwaters Foundation for Justice**

Project support to help meet essential needs across black, Indigenous, and communities of color in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Initiative Foundation**

Project support for emergency community wellness efforts in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

**Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe**

Project support for distribution of food and essential needs to Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$100,000**

**Lower Sioux Indian Community**

Project support for emergency response for distribution of food and essential needs to Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe**

Project support for food distribution to meet essential needs and for strengthening the Band's emergency response infrastructure for Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Northland Foundation**

Project support for emergency access to childcare for critical workers in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

**Northwest Minnesota Foundation**

Project support to support its emergency response fund in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

**PFund Foundation**

Project support for emergency mini-grant program to assist non-profits and small businesses owned and/or operated by LGBTQIA people in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians**

Project support for emergency assistance for food distribution to Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Saint Paul & Minnesota Foundation**

Project support for Minnesota Disaster Recovery Fund in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation**

Project support for an emergency response fund in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

**Southwest Initiative Foundation**

Project support access for childcare to critical workers in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

**Upper Sioux Community**

Project support for emergency food distribution and storage capacity for Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**West Central Initiative**

Project support for its emergency response fund in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

**White Earth Tribal Council**

Project support for emergency assistance for food distribution to Tribal members in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Women's Foundation of Minnesota**

Project support for Women and Girls Emergency Response Fund in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

**Total**

**70 grants    \$5,504,564**