



March 2021 Grants

Local Grants

Ball Club Local Indian Council

Donation in support of the 2020 community Thanksgiving dinner in Itasca County. **\$500**

Boys Club of Duluth Inc

Operating support for the Boys and Girls Club of Grand Rapids and Greenway in 2021-22 in Itasca County. **\$308,000**

Boys Club of Duluth Inc

Project support for the New Year's Eve Community Celebration in Itasca County. **\$6,500**

ElderCircle

Donation in support of the 2020 community Thanksgiving dinner in Itasca County. **\$1,000**

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Project support for the Itasca County Sharing Fund during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$150,000**

Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority

Payout from an existing program-related investment loan to acquire two downtown commercial lots for future development in Itasca County. **\$140,000**

Independent School District 317 Deer River

Project support for student cultural building initiatives in Itasca County. **\$10,000**

Independent School District 318 Grand Rapids

Project support for student technology equity during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$150,000**

Independent School District 318 Grand Rapids

Donation in support of Ojibwe Language Signage in Itasca County. **\$1,000**

Independent School District 319 Nashwauk Keewatin

Project support for essential technology infrastructure to support distance learning during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$10,000**

Itasca County Housing & Redevelopment Authority

Project support to remove family barriers during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$60,000**

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Operating support for infrastructure and capacity building in 2021-22 in Itasca County. **\$750,000**

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Program-related investment (loan) to establish the Itasca Small Business Relief Fund II during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$150,000.**

KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc

Project support for local families in need throughout the winter during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$80,000**

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Project support for food distribution assistance during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$75,000**

MacRostie Art Center

Project support for exhibits and operations during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$30,000**

United Way of 1,000 Lakes

Project support to address immediate and evolving needs of nonprofits in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

Rural Minnesota

Greater Twin Cities United Way

Project support for Greater Twin Cities United Way as fiscal agent for the Start Early Funders Coalition for its research and education work in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

Leech Lake Financial Services, Inc.

Project support in 2021 for affordable housing development in the Leech Lake area in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

White Earth Tribal Council

Project support to implement projects that promote access, adoption and use of broadband technology as part of the Blandin Broadband program in rural Minnesota. **\$75,000**

Minnesota Council on Foundations

Ongoing membership support for 2021 in rural Minnesota. **\$17,800**

Area Partnership for Economic Expansion

Project support research and education activity in 2021 in rural Minnesota. **\$10,000**

Bois Forte Band of Chippewa Indians

Project support for youth development programming in rural Minnesota. **\$30,000**

Community Integration Center

Operating support to promote equity-focused capacity to diverse communities in rural Minnesota.
\$50,000

Hispanic Advocacy and Community Empowerment through Research

Project support for research on the impact of immigration to the economy in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

Nameless Coalition for the Homeless

Project support to develop and strengthen staff capacity for long-term sustainability in rural Minnesota.
\$50,000

ReVive Virginia

Project support for community mental health efforts as part of Blandin Leadership Grants program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

Region 5 Regional Development Commission

Project support for a new Rural Justice System Consortium initiative in rural Minnesota. **\$8,000**

28 grants

\$2,272,800