



Blandin Foundation™
STRENGTHENING RURAL MINNESOTA

December 2012 Grant awards

Local Grants

Area of focus: Expand Opportunity

Itasca Community College
Establish a Writing Center

\$153,250 over 3 yrs

Itasca Community College

\$375,000

Support for financial aid requests for the 2013-14 school year for Itasca County high school graduates

Area of focus: Vibrant Itasca County

Itasca County Family YMCA Inc

\$1,250,000

Capital support to construct a new Adult Living Center and to renovate and upgrade the facility

Itasca Community Television

\$170,000 over 2 yrs

Continued operating support through 2014

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

\$315,000 over 3 yrs

Continued operating support

Grace House of Itasca County

\$50,000

Continued operating support

Judy Garland Children's Museum

\$30,000

Limited general operations and for improvement and expansion of the Museum's School Service Program

Northland Foundation

\$45,000 over 3 yrs

Continue the AGE to age program in Itasca County

Independent School District 318

\$67,500 over 18 mos

Continued operations of the Step Ahead program

Youth for Christ

\$86,000

Continued funding for the Ground Floor Youth Center

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Itasca County Family YMCA Inc	\$170,000 over 2 yrs
Operating support for the child care, youth and senior programs in 2013 and 2014 in Itasca County (subject to successful fundraising)	

Independent School District 318	\$80,750 over 18 mos
Continuation for all Children's First! activities and events throughout Itasca County	

Statewide

Area of focus: Expand Opportunity

Greater MN Housing Fund	\$1,500,000 over 2 yrs
Continue its operations in rural Minnesota	

Latino Economic Development Center	\$195,000 over 3 yrs
Continued development and delivery of business services to Latino populations in rural Minnesota	

Cook County Higher Education	\$100,000
To complete renovation of the North Shore Campus facility to increase the educational and economic opportunities for the Grand Marais area	

Quick Response Grants

145 grants of less than \$50,000, plus donations and matching gifts	\$735,666
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Broadband Grants

	\$406,580
17 grants of less than \$50,000, largely American Reinvestment and Recovery Act funds	

Total	\$5,729,746
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