

Rotary Club of Lake in the Hills

2018 Grant Proposal Guidelines

The Rotary Club of Lake in the Hills, one of the more than 34,000 worldwide Rotary clubs, has supported community nonprofit organizations through fund raising and subsequent grants for the past 11 years.

The Club is seeking proposals for projects and programs that help improve the quality of life for Lake in the Hills (LITH) and McHenry County residents most in need.

Grants Available:

*MAJOR Support Award-maximum of 5 awards @ \$2000 (maximum) each *IMPACT Award-1 award @ \$5000 (maximum) *TEAM Support Award-1 award @ \$5000 (maximum)

Guidelines:

- Eligible applicants are organizations or projects that benefit LITH and McHenry County residents.
- Projects should demonstrate a need NOT supported by the organization's ongoing operating budget.
- Proposals for projects/programs should request only the amount needed for the specific project/program. The request should not exceed the maximum dollar amount of each specific grant.
- Organizations are encouraged to apply for support of new initiatives or to increase the impact of an existing program.
- Organizations may only submit one MAJOR Award application.
- Multiple TEAM Award applications will be accepted if the cooperating nonprofits are different in each application. Contact Colleen Wales with any questions at <u>cmwales6@gmail.com</u>.
- Organizations may apply for all three awards, but projects must be different. No organization will be awarded <u>both</u> MAJOR and IMPACT awards in the same year.

Important dates:

- Proposals are due no later than May 18th, 2018 at 5pm.
- Checks will be awarded on June 13th, 2018 at Lou Malnati's, Lakewood @ 5pm.

Format of Proposals:

- Submit application form electronically to: <u>cmwales6@gmail.com</u>
- Application forms will be available on the Rotary Club of Lake in the Hills website, <u>www.lithrotary.org</u>. Applications are due by May 18th, 2018 at 5pm.

Checks will be awarded at a Club Expo meeting the evening of June 13th, 2018. Each organization receiving a grant agrees to have a representative at that meeting. Grant winners will have a table to display information about their organization and the winning project to the LITH Rotarians in an expo fashion. Each grant winning organization will be featured on the Rotary Club of Lake in the Hills website with a photo and a description of the winning project/program.