

2017 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 6 awards @ \$2000 (maximum) each
- *CONTINUED Support Award-maximum of 2 awards @ \$2000 (maximum) each (this award is by invitation only to 2016 Major Support Award winners)
- *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 cmwales6@gmail.com.

Important dates:

- Proposals are due no later than May 12th, 2017 at 5pm.
- Checks will be awarded on June 21st, 2017 at Noon.

Format of Proposals:

- Submit application form electronically to: cmwales6@gmail.com
- Application forms will be available on the Rotary Club of Lake in the Hills website, www.lithrotary.org.
 Applications are due by May 12th, 2017 at 5pm.

Checks will be awarded at the club meeting on June 21st (Wednesday @ Noon). 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. Grant recipients also agree to have a representative at the 2017 Lake in the Hills Rockin' Ribfest grant recipient tent. A display (similar to the check award day mentioned above) will be required on Saturday, July 8th and Sunday, July 9th between 11:30am and 5pm. 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.