

Grant and Sponsorship Guidelines

Please review the following to be sure your project proposal fits within our funding criteria.

1. All applications must demonstrate a benefit within the McLeod County, Minnesota area. Glencoe Regional Health (GRH) prefers that the applicant is located within the McLeod County area.
2. Applications must be submitted by a 501(c)(3) organization, a unit of government, or by a public agency – such as a school district or an agency of the city/county.
3. Applications must fall within one or more of our defined community health need areas (below):

Healthy Eating

Eating habits and lifestyles that prioritize healthy choices reduce rates of obesity, diabetes, coronary heart disease, and more. We seek partnerships that promote and expand healthy eating options.

Active Living

Physical activity levels have changed over the years, and daily, low-impact movement is key to maintaining and enhancing health. We seek partnerships that encourage and support non-competitive, low-impact movement, such as walking, running, swimming, and biking.

Mental Health

We all have mental health, and it can ebb and flow depending on what happens around us. There is growing concern among our adolescent population, specifically. We seek partnerships that build awareness and reduce the stigma of mental health and provide support services and/or programming.

Financial Well-Being

One in five Americans has no emergency savings, and that inability to prepare for the worst can cause stress and anxiety. We seek partnerships that provide financial education and/or coaching and that promote emergency savings.

Community Connectedness

Being accepted, valued, and able to contribute is an important human need. We seek partnerships that bring community members together in meaningful ways, with a specific focus on the Glencoe, Lester Prairie, and Stewart communities, where GRH has a physical presence.



4. Applications must align with one or more of our values:
 - **Compassion** – kind, caring, and willing to help everyone.
 - **Authenticity** – open and honest, demonstrating integrity and clear intention.
 - **Respect** – gracious consideration for the dignity of all.
 - **Excellence** – commitment to best practice.
 - **Safety** – nurture a safe, healing environment.
5. Grants generally range from \$500 to \$10,000, and public recognition of GRH is strongly encouraged. Event sponsorships generally range from \$250 to \$3,000, and use of the GRH logo is strongly encouraged. Logo items and gift baskets, when available, generally range in value from \$100 to \$250.
6. The amount requested from GRH must not exceed 20 percent of operational, programmatic, or capital budget.
7. Preference may be given to applications submitted by or on behalf of a GRH employee.
8. On a case-by-case basis, consideration may be given to non-community health needs.
9. These guidelines can be changed at any time.

Glencoe Regional Health generally does not support:

- Religious organizations for the sole benefit of a group/denomination or congregation.
- Political organizations, lobbying efforts, and for-profit businesses.
- Individual or group participation in disease-related events, such as bike rides, walks and runs, and golf outings.
- Individual or group participation in athletic and academic competitions and camps.
- Programs and projects that limit participation for reason of race, age, religion, national origin, marital status, color, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability (physical and intellectual), genetic, veteran status, and status with regard to public assistance.
- Debt retirement.
- Programs or services mandated by law or to replace government funding.
- National, regional, or statewide fundraising campaigns, ticket sales, fundraising dinners, endowment drives, or other similar activities.

Applications must be made online at grhsonline.org/request-form 60-90 days prior to the date needed. All applicants will be notified regarding our decision.

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