



Community Charity Matching Grant Program Instructions

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AS EXPLANATION ALL OF THE RULES AND GUIDELINES THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED FOR YOUR APPLICATION TO RECEIVE CONSIDERATION ARE BELOW.

Note: The Community Charity Matching Grant Program is separate from the Scholarship Matching Funds Program. Further information on these programs is available by emailing the North Dakota Masonic Foundation at grandlodge@nd-masons.com or call 701-235-8321.

The Community Charity Matching Grant program was established by the North Dakota Masonic Foundation (NDMF) to encourage lodge activity, affording North Dakota Masons the ability to provide support to local charities and connect with the communities in which they live. The NDMF supports Masonic Lodges throughout North Dakota by matching community grant monies, effectively doubling the impact of the Masonic gift to the community.

A lodge may apply for Community Charity matching grants up to \$1,000 for one or more local, charitable programs or events during the fiscal year July 1 - June 30. Completed applications can be submitted anytime as they are processed quarterly. If a lodge wishes to spread its contributions between various charities throughout the year, it can be done through multiple submissions or through one submission if all details are indicated by the lodge.

For example:

	April	August	January	Fiscal Year Total
Lodge A	\$500 – Bikes for Books	x	\$500 – Local ramp building project	\$1,000
Lodge B	x	x	\$500 – Bikes for Books \$500 – Local food bank	\$1,000

What charities does the Foundation provide funds for?

The Foundation supports local, charitable programs, including, but not limited to, the following examples:

- Food and clothing for the needy
- Local Salvation Army efforts
- Special efforts to aid youth and the aged
- Equipment for school programs
- Local parks and facilities
- Community fire, police and health programs
- 501c3 charitable organizations
- Advanced learning opportunities

What charities are NOT eligible under the Community Charities program?

- Masons and their families
- Masonic groups
- For-profit companies
- National charity programs (e.g. American Red Cross)
- Church or synagogue programs that favor any specific religion or creed
- Individual causes without a charitable purpose

HOW TO APPLY

Fill out the application thoroughly and provide necessary supporting documents. Applications can be submitted either electronically or by mail:

- Electronic submissions can be emailed by sending the completed forms to grandlodge@nd-masons.com.
Note: With electronic submissions, signatures must be handwritten or electronically signed before submission.
- Mailed submissions can be sent to the North Dakota Masonic Foundation office at 201 14th Ave. N, Fargo, ND 58102.



APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY CHARITY MATCHING FUNDS

Please Print

Lodge Name and Number

Secretary Name

Secretary Mailing Address

City and Zip

Email Address

Cell Phone Number

Title of Community Charity Program(s)

Briefly describe the Community Charity Program activity or activities for which your Lodge wishes to receive Foundation matching funds, including the amount for each program, what organization and/or individual will receive the contribution and who will benefit directly from the support. If you wish to provide additional documents or material, please attach. **Please clearly state how the activity qualifies as a charitable program or is a 501c3. If it is a 501c3, please check here ☐ and provide supporting documentation.**

What community recognition or other form of public awareness will the Lodge receive as a result of its contribution? *** **Please attach a copy of a news article or other means of awareness.**

Lodge Intentions

Fundraising Gross Profits (total raised) \$ _____

Fundraising Expenses \$ _____

Fundraising Net Profit after Expenses \$ _____

Requested Matching Foundation Contribution? \$ _____

Total Contribution to Charity (Lodge Fundraising plus Matching Grant) \$ _____

Comments:

We, the undersigned, confirm that this application for Community Charity is complete and accurate and reflects the intentions of the Lodge. Our Lodge voted to approve this application at its Regular Communication on the date of _____. If this application is approved, we agree to use the funds provided as specified in this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

Worshipful Master

Date

Secretary

Date

On application remember to:

- Fill out application completely
- Obtain necessary signatures

Foundation Use Only

☐ Approved

☐ Not Approved

Chairman Signature

Date