

December 2020 Grant Awards

Local Grants

Area of focus: Vibrant Itasca Area

Bovey Farmers Day Association Donation for the 2021 Bovey Farmers' Day in Itasca County. **\$1,000**

Edge of the Wilderness Community Center Project support to provide virtual events for families due to the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

Forward Health Foundation Project support for a new Community Paramedic Program in Itasca County. **\$12,500**

Itasca Community Television Inc Operating support for 2021-2022 in Itasca County. \$170,000

Itasca County Family YMCA Inc Operating support for 2021-2022 in Itasca County. \$250,000

Itasca County Historical Society Donation for a 2020 Winterglo Festival in Downtown Grand Rapids. **\$1,000**

Itasca County Historical Society Project support for the Avenue of the Pines Video Mapping Project in Itasca County. **\$3,000**

Itasca Life Options Capital support to provide remote learning for clients due to the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$11,850**

Legal Aid Service of Northeastern MN Operating support for 2021-2022 in Itasca County. \$454,000

Rural Minnesota

Area of focus: Expand Opportunity

Chisago County Housing and Redevelopment Authority-Economic Development Authority Project support for broadband infrastructure as part of the Blandin Broadband program in rural Minnesota. **\$75,000**

Greater Minnesota Housing Fund

Operating support for 2021-2022 in rural Minnesota. \$400,000

Le Sueur County

Project support to increase broadband access and technical capacity as part of the Blandin Broadband program in rural Minnesota. **\$75,000**

Otter Tail County

Project support to increase internet access as part of the Blandin Broadband program in rural Minnesota. **\$75,000**

Saint Paul & Minnesota Foundation

Project support to increase internet access for disadvantaged students across rural Minnesota. \$10,000

Southwest Regional Development Corporation

Project support for the Minnesota Speed Test Initiative as part of the Blandin Broadband program in rural Minnesota. **\$20,000**

Area of focus: Community Leadership

Aitkin County Friends of the Arts

Project support to conduct a feasibility study for a downtown performing arts center as part of the Blandin Leadership Grant program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

City of Fergus Falls

Capital support to create an archery park accessible for people with disabilities in Fergus Falls as part of the Blandin Leadership Grant program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

Manitou Center

Project support for Trauma-Informed Care Training as part of the Blandin Leadership Grant program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

Mankato Area Foundation

Project support for sponsorship of the 2020 Rural MN Equity Summit in rural Minnesota. \$5,000

Minnesota Council of Nonprofits Inc

Operations support for 2021-2023 in rural Minnesota. \$225,000

The Shepherd's In

Project support for Don't Give Up suicide awareness program as part of the Blandin Leadership Grant program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

Salvation Army – Roseville

Project support to establish the future vision of Salvation Army in Fairmont as part of the Blandin Leadership Grant program in rural Minnesota. **\$5,000**

Total 22 grants \$1,818,350