



December 2023 Grant Awards

Local Grants

Advocates For Family Peace

Project support to explore capacity building while maintaining and rebuilding core operations post-pandemic to promote safety, equity and peace to families experiencing domestic abuse in Itasca County

\$125,000

Ardenhurst Township

Capital support to add signage and make community center renovations in Itasca County

\$10,000

Balsam Township

Capital support for community center and accessibility improvements in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Boys Club of Duluth Inc.

Organizational support to stabilize key staff positions and strengthen resource development for Boys & Girls Club of Grand Rapids & Greenway in Itasca County **\$154,000**

City of Deer River

Capital support for the Safe Routes to School trail project in Itasca County **\$150,000**

City of Remer

Capital and project support to market and attract businesses and visitors to the Remer area and contract with CEDA to assist with identifying community needs in Remer in Itasca County **\$150,000**

City of Taconite

Capital support to establish a seed fund for a joint community center/fire hall, ballfield and Gibbs Park improvements and signage in Itasca County **\$100,000**

City of Warba

Capital support for community center and campground improvements in Itasca County **\$73,000**

Community Café

Operating support to reduce hunger while exploring capacity building opportunities in Itasca County

\$80,000

Depot Commons Association

Project support for strategic planning and organizational development in Itasca County **\$11,000**

ElderCircle

Project support to continue core ElderCircle and Home Visitor Program operations, strategic planning and evaluation of internal systems over the next two years in Itasca County **\$200,000**

First Call for Help of Itasca County

Project support for financial sustainability planning and implementing a new client support model in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Girl Scouts of MN and WI Lakes and Pines

Organizational support for youth development in Itasca County **\$15,000**

Grace House of Itasca County

Organizational support to address homelessness and create a Housing Resource Specialist position in Itasca County **\$135,000**

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Project support for strategic planning and resource development capacity in Itasca County **\$67,000**

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Project support to study the impact and structure of the Trails Task Force and continue funding trail creation and improvement in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Grand Rapids Economic Dev. Authority

Project support to explore the formation and structure of a new organization focused on maintaining a vibrant and well-activated downtown Grand Rapids in Itasca County **\$55,000**

Habitat for Humanity of Itasca County

Project support to strengthen capacity for resource development and housing support services for families in Itasca County **\$100,000**

Itasca County Housing/Redevelopment Authority

Project support to create a Local Housing Trust Fund to benefit affordable housing development in Itasca County **\$150,000.00**

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Organizational support for business development and entrepreneur support in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Itasca Orchestra and Strings Program

Project support to explore capacity building needs and partnerships while continuing to provide orchestral music education and programming to adults and youth in Itasca County **\$110,000**

Jacobson Community Center Foundation

Capital support for community center renovations in Itasca County **\$100,000**

Judy Garland Children's Museum

Project support to increase organizational capacity through exhibit improvements, additional program offerings, and school field trip program restructuring in Itasca County **\$80,000**

Lawrence Lake Township

Capital support for Township Hall renovations, accessibility and trail improvements in Itasca County **\$100,000**

Leech Lake Financial Services, Inc.

Capital and project support to establish a seed fund for a new community center and host cultural events and activities at Morse Town Hall in Itasca County **\$100,000**

Leech Lake Financial Services, Inc.

Project support to explore and research food sovereignty, entrepreneurship, and a location for food processing and other culturally significant practices in Itasca County **\$100,000**

MacRostie Art Center

Project support to explore capacity building needs while continuing to provide visual arts and educational programming to residents in Itasca County **\$100,000**

Marcell Family Center, Inc.

Project support to explore capacity building needs and continue core operations over the next two years in Itasca County **\$80,000**

Special Olympics Minnesota

Organizational support to continue core operations in 2024-25 for the Special Olympics program in Itasca County **\$30,000**

Support Within Reach

Organizational support to assist victims of sexual violence in Itasca County **\$100,000**

Town of Greenway

Capital support to make improvements to Twin Lakes beach, explore trail development alongside Highway 169 and upgrades to the Pengilly ballfield in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Town of Wirt

Capital support to renovate and upgrade the community center and playground in Itasca County **\$50,000**

United Way of 1,000 Lakes

Project support to sustain core operations while building capacity by advancing volunteer engagement and facilitating a Two-Generation approach across Itasca County **\$70,000**

Voyageurs Area Council #286 Boy Scouts of America, Inc.

Organizational support for youth development in Itasca County **\$15,000**

Rural Minnesota

4-Directions Development Inc.

Capital support for expansion of a small business incubator to support Indigenous entrepreneurs in rural Minnesota **\$150,000**

Boys and Girls Club of the Leech Lake Area

Organizational support for professional development and to increase service capacity for the Onigum unit in rural Minnesota **\$150,000**

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School

Organizational support to increase student success in rural Minnesota **\$150,000**

City of Floodwood

Capital support to make campground improvements and increase child care availability as well as contract with CEDA to identify community needs in rural Minnesota **\$150,000**

CommunityGiving

Project support for a wealth transfer study and capacity building support for community foundations in rural Minnesota **\$500,000**

Duluth-Superior Educational TV Corp.

Project support to continue producing Native Report and capacity building/planning support to launch a First Nations online hub in rural Minnesota **\$55,000**

Lakes Area Habitat for Humanity

Project support to build capacity for affordable housing development in rural Minnesota **\$150,000**

Leech Lake Financial Services, Inc.

Capital support to expand community center kitchen and add a sugar bush camp, commemorative history statue and interpretive nature trail along Battle Point in rural Minnesota **\$150,000**

Northern Minnesota Public Television Inc.

Operating support for programming and services in the northern rural region of Minnesota **\$35,000**

Second Harvest North Central Food Bank

Project support for planning and staff development to support the merger into Second Harvest Northland in rural Minnesota **\$150,000**

University of Minnesota Natural Resources Research Institute

Project support to establish a community energy transition and decarbonization assistance program in rural Minnesota **\$110,000**

Zeitgeist Center for Arts and Community

Project support to build capacity and participation in the new Minnesota Media Arts Program, which

includes the Minnesota Media Arts School and the Minnesota Film Festival on the Iron Range in rural Minnesota **\$240,000**

Total 46 grants \$5,350,000