



June 2013 Grant awards

Local Grants

Area of focus: Vibrant Itasca County

Bigfork Valley Foundation

Support for youth and family programs in the Bigfork area in Itasca County **\$500**

Children's Mental Health Services/REACH

Therapeutic skill building program in a group setting for those with emotional and social issues in Itasca County **\$1,000**

Grand Rapids Summer Celebration Inc

Donation toward the 2013 Tall Timber Days festival in Itasca County **\$1,000**

Habitat for Humanity of Itasca County

Offset cost of purchasing a new building **\$150,000**

Independent School District 118, Remer

Donation towards Northland High School's post prom party in the Itasca area **\$500**

Independent School District 318

Continued operating support for Baby Steps in Itasca County **\$90,000**

Independent School District 319

Capital support to construct a playground at Keewatin Elementary School in Itasca County **\$3,000**

Independent School District 363

Support for a summer mental health program for Northome school students in the Itasca area **\$1,000**

Itasca Community College

Donation for O Gitch I Dah Club's 2013 annual spring pow-wow in Itasca county **\$1,000**

Meadowlark Institute Strengthen the capacity of Itasca Area residents to facilitate meetings and community change initiatives using participatory practices that result in wise collective action	\$270,600
MN Council On Foundations Subscriptions to Minnesota Grantmakers Online for 17 Itasca County nonprofits	\$4,216
Northland Area Family Service Center Cover unpaid preschool tuition from 2011-12 school year in Itasca County	\$10,000
Northern Lights Community School Cultural and educational programming for the students of Northern Lights Community School in Itasca County	\$3,400
Reif Arts Council Golden Dragon Acrobats New Year's Day 2014 performance at a reduced price in the Itasca County area	\$10,000
Reif Arts Council Support to complete all project planning, including (funding) development and architectural and engineering design for a proposed renovation and expansion of the Reif Center in Itasca County	\$100,000
Remer Centennial Library Purchase of computer equipment for library patron usage in the Itasca County area	\$2,000
United Way of 1,000 Lakes Sponsorship of the Live Stream Forum "New Structures for New Times" in Itasca County	\$706.85
Wirt Community Club Donation in support of the Wirt Summer Fest in Itasca County	\$1,000
Strategic Area: Expand Opportunity	
Depot Commons Association Workforce development in the greater Itasca area	\$35,000
Independent School District 118, Remer Early childhood programming in the Remer area 2013-15	\$160,000
Itasca Area Schools Collaborative Continue Invest Early through June 2014	\$2,100,000

Itasca Community College

Integrated engineering program using the Intervention, Incentive and Achievement program

\$292,000

Search Institute

Creation of an integrated data collection and mobilization strategy to support comprehensive data-guided development of the Itasca Area Initiative for Student Success in Itasca County

\$49,303

Rural Minnesota Grants**Strategic Area: Expand Opportunity****Albert Lea Public Library Foundation**

Support for the Choose Civility Initiative as part of the Rural Quick Start program in rural Minnesota

\$5,000

Bridges of Hope

Mentoring program to build social capital for individuals living in poverty in rural Minnesota as part of the Rural Quick Start program

\$5,000

Citizens for Backus/AB

Programming support for Koochiching Public Television in rural Minnesota as part of the Rural Quick Start program

\$5,000

Dovetail Partners

Managing the research and design of a five-year anniversary regional convening of Vital Forests/Vital Communities leaders to be held in 2013 in rural Minnesota

\$10,000

Enterprise Minnesota

Regional sponsorship for the fifth annual State of Manufacturing poll to be conducted in April 2013 in rural Minnesota

\$5,000

Initiative Foundation

Support for the Thriving Organizations Partnership (TOP) Initiative in rural Minnesota

\$100,000

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Housing Authority

Spring pow-wow to unite tribal communities, carry on Native traditions and lead Native youth to a better life in rural Minnesota

\$3,400

MN Council of Nonprofits Inc

Membership for 2013

\$1,000

Native Americans in Philanthropy

Membership support in 2013 throughout rural Minnesota

\$2,500

Northland Foundation

KIDS Plus Pathway to Career event to help 10th and 11th grade students
Explore careers available in northeastern Minnesota **\$10,000**

Northwest Technical College-Bemidji

Create new training products for advanced manufacturing skills needed
in the region **\$175,000**

Park Rapids Lakes Area Arts Council

Facilitation assistance for area arts entities as part of the Rural Quick Start
program in rural Minnesota **\$5,000**

Technical Academies of Minnesota

Support for the first Technical Academy charter school to be opened in
Waldorf, Minnesota **\$49,776**

U of M Carlson School of Management

2013 Minnesota Cup Business Plan Competition in rural Minnesota **\$10,000**

University of Minnesota Natural Resources Research Institute

Support for the Heating the Midwest conference in support of regional
economic development in rural Minnesota **\$3,500**

Volunteers in Education

Expand tutoring program to Eveleth, Gilbert and Nett Lake school districts
in rural Minnesota **\$20,000**

Strategic Area: Invest in Leaders**International Falls Economic Development Authority**

Engaging the community in creating a shared vision and development
plan for 125 acres of property along the Rainy River in Koochiching County **\$4,960**

PFund Foundation

Support for the LGBT mapping and community engagement project
in rural Minnesota **\$30,000**

Broadband grants

29 grants of less than \$50,000, including **\$401,631**

Children's Dental Services

Using teledentistry to bring high quality dental services to the Nashwauk,

Keewatin and Northome school districts in Itasca County **\$50,000**

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Support for an Itasca Community Portal where new residents, existing residents and visitors can easily find the information they need in Itasca County

\$10,000

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Spur the innovative use of technology by small businesses in the Itasca area through specific training, technology business planning and implementation assistance with widespread promotion of successful results

\$20,000

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Itasca Area Knowledge Workers program

\$10,000

Matching gifts

54 grants

\$22,550

Total (124 grants)

\$4,155,542.85