2021-22 Grant Guidelines

The Jones County Community Foundation (JCCF) will annually determine and award grants for the betterment of Jones County and its residents.

JCCF Funding Priorities:

- Improve economic well-being or quality of life
- Improve educational opportunities
- Address community capital improvements
- Maintain and improve the health of Jones County residents
- Promote Jones County tourism and recreation
- Maintain Jones County heritage
- Support conservation efforts

Who is Eligible?
To be eligible for funding, an organization/program must:

- Provide services within Jones County
- Be a Nonprofit 501(c)3, public institution, and/or charitable organization.
  For organizations without nonprofit status, partnering with a fiscal sponsor organization will be required; if you need clarification on fiscal sponsorship, please contact Sherri Hunt at jccf@dbqfoundation.org.
- Operate in a manner that no applicable anti-discrimination laws are violated

Organizations may not be awarded a grant for two consecutive years.

What we do not fund:

- Organizations with a religious affiliation
- Organization's recurring operating expenses (i.e. staffing, building rent)
- Multi-year funding requests

Matching Grant Requirements:
A minimum hard cash match of 25% of the amount requested is required. In-kind matches will not be considered. Example: $1,000 Grant Request, $250 or 25% hard cash match, totaling $1,250 project budget.
Guidelines for Applicants:

- Applications can be completed online at [www.dbqfoundation.org/jccf](http://www.dbqfoundation.org/jccf).
- Application for grants must be submitted before October 15th, 2021, at Midnight.
- Grants will be awarded late in November 2021 and presented at a celebration on Tuesday, December 7th, 2021.
- Applicants may be asked to attend a brief meeting to clarify questions from this application.
- All projects must be initiated and completed within one year of the grant award.
- Upon completion of the project, but before December 31st, 2022, the grant recipient will be required to submit a final grant report.
- Maximum grant request amount that will be considered is $25,000.00.

Grant Considerations:

- Does this project effectively serve a community need or problem?
- What is the overall impact of the project?
- Is the project collaborative and partnering with other local groups/agencies? Does the project build on or avoid duplicating the services of other agencies?
- Are the project goals and outcomes clear and measurable? What is the return on investment?
- Does this project meet the funding interests of the JCCF?
- Is the project budget realistic and thoughtfully completed? Does the project hit the required match amount?