

# Aspirus Health Foundation

## Small Grant Guidelines

- The Aspirus Health Foundation wants to support your health related project! Our small grants provide just enough funding to bring your health idea to life or to provide just a little extra funding for a project you've established. Small grants are awarded up to \$500 and are accepted by the following dates: April 22, 2016, July 29, 2016, September 21, 2016 , and January 4, 2017

### The Aspirus Health Foundation's Mission and Vision are:

- The Aspirus Health Foundation develops critical resources necessary to advance the health of our communities and increase health services in the region.
- We are the leader in developing community partnerships to advance the health of people in north central Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.



### What does the Aspirus Health Foundation Support?

The Aspirus Health Foundation funds project that align with our mission and vision. Projects that are typically given priority include:

- Community-based health, wellness, and safety activities and educational programs.
- Initiatives focused on improving nutrition and increased physical activity among children at high risk for obesity, especially among minority populations and children living in low-income communities.
- Adequate and appropriate nutrition assistance to our most vulnerable community members such as the elderly and children to ensure healthy food is available.
- Community-based assessments that help our communities understand and address identified needs.
- Programs and scholarships for to train our future health care workforce.
- Other health projects that align with our mission, population health initiatives, or community priorities.

## What Doesn't the Aspirus Health Foundation Fund?

We do not award grants to organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, citizenship status, age, disability, sexual orientation, or veteran status. Generally, the Foundation does not make grants to or for the following:

- Individuals
- Programs that require membership in a certain religion or advance a particular religious faith (faith-based organizations may be eligible for funding if they welcome all members of the community regardless of religious belief)
- For-profit organizations or programs operated by, or for the benefit of, for-profit organizations
- Debt retirement
- Annual fund drives



## What's Next?

If you think you have a fundable idea, please visit [www.aspirus.org/foundation](http://www.aspirus.org/foundation) to submit your application.

Here's what you need to tell us:

- Organization name, contact person, email, and phone number
- Name of your project
- Funding amount requested
- Who are you serving (demographics), where do they live (county)?
- Brief description of your project and how it aligns with the Aspirus Health Foundation's Mission.
- How will you measure your success? (Please use SMART goals, when possible. SMART = Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, and Time-bound)
- Budget and budget narrative so we know how you'll spend the money (templates available online)
- Plan for marketing/partnership promotion with the Aspirus Health Foundation
- Plan for capturing stories and photos of the people whose lives will be impacted by your program and through our funding partnership.
- Attach: Board of Directors list, copy of IRS Determination Letter, and most recent statement of financial position

**PLEASE CONTACT THE FOUNDATION AT 715-847-2470 OR  
AHF@ASPIRUS.ORG WITH ANY QUESTIONS.**