



The Yampa Valley Community Foundation, in partnership with the Steamboat Ski & Resort Corporation, Donor Advised Fund Holders and other Granting Endowments, supports programs and services benefiting the Yampa Valley through an annual Community Grants Cycle. Grants may be awarded for innovative programs demonstrating community benefits in five focus areas:

***Arts & Culture \* Education \* Health & Human Services \* Environment \* Recreation***

### **2018 GRANT MAKING GUIDELINES**

YVCF accepts proposals from organizations engaged in nonprofit programs in Routt and Moffat Counties that benefit the Yampa Valley. Only grant requests for charitable purposes that have a public benefit will be considered. Programs and services that receive funding from the Yampa Valley Community Foundation shall not include any political or religious intentions.

#### ***General Guidelines:***

- ✓ Grant requests should be limited to \$5,000 or less.
- ✓ Grants for General Operating support must be approved by YVCF staff prior to grant application submission.
- ✓ YVCF will consider larger grant requests up to \$15,000 that demonstrate significant impact within the Yampa Valley. To be considered for larger grants, organizations must have direct conversation with YVCF staff.
- ✓ Organizations that receive three consecutive years of YVCF or Steamboat Ski & Resort Corp funding will be asked to take a year off from applying through the Community Grants Cycle.
- ✓ Evaluations for previously awarded grants must be received before new grant proposals will be considered.

#### ***Granting Criteria*** - Successful grant proposals should:

- ✓ Demonstrate impact in the Yampa Valley
- ✓ Define the process used to measure impact and evaluate expected results
- ✓ Effectively demonstrate collaboration within the community
- ✓ Exhibit best organizational and financial practices
- ✓ Demonstrate the need for YVCF funding within the parameters of the revenue capabilities of the organization

#### ***Grant Restrictions*** - Grants will not be made for:

- ✓ Professional development or to individuals
- ✓ Team or Travel Expenses
- ✓ Retroactive grants or projects already completed
- ✓ Debt reduction or Endowments

Please contact the YVCF staff with any questions regarding the application form or grant criteria.

**Our community grants cycle will use an online application which can be accessed on our website at:**

**<https://yvcf.org/non-profits/apply-for-a-grant/>**

**July 13, 2018 (4:00 MT): Online Application Deadline**

**Notification of Awards and grants distributed will be made in late September.**