

2010 WESTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION COMMUNITY EDUCATION GRANT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Weston Education Foundation (WEF) is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for its newest initiative, **The Community Education Grant**. The Community Education Grant gives Weston-based non-profit organizations the opportunity to apply for up to \$1,500 to develop educational programs to benefit its constituents and/or the residents of the Town of Weston. WEF will fund up to five organizations' initiatives for 2010/2011. Our most recent Community Education grant was awarded to the Senior Center to develop a computer enrichment program.

WEF is a non-profit 501 (c)(3), community-based organization whose mission is to promote excellence and innovation in education for Weston residents of all ages. For over 16 years, Weston Education Foundation has awarded grants to promote education excellence and innovation in Weston and provide financial support for worthy projects and programs in the Weston community. Examples of past programs that have been funded are the Weston Open Learning series, Weston Talks, television studio at the high school, Years in the Making documentary film sponsor, interactive whiteboard systems in the schools, Media/Videography lab, Discovery Museum Learning lab for the fifth grade, writing workshops with published authors for WIS students, and science lab equipment.

WEF will give priority to:

- New projects
- Projects that promote educational opportunities
- Projects that reflect input from constituent groups in project design and evaluation
- Projects that include a clearly defined plan with defined outcomes
- Projects that address sustainability of the project at the end of the grant term
- Projects that build on community assets and strengths
- Pilot Programs

Weston-based organizations or individuals are encouraged to apply to WEF for any program or project that they feel will enhance the education and community involvement of Weston residents. Organizations may apply for projects in the arts, education, culture, environment, health and human services, or any other area that they feel will be of value to the Weston community.

WEF does NOT fund:

- Support for Religious or Political organizations
- Annual appeals or fundraising events
- Open space purchases
- For-profit, parochial, charter, or private schools
- Nonprofit endowments
- Capital requests
- Grants to individuals

WEF will be accepting grant applications beginning immediately until November 4, 2010. The WEF Grants Committee will review the applications and grants will be announced by November 12, 2010.

Please contact any of the following members of WEF's Grants Committee to learn more about the Community Education Grant and for an application packet.

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Section I: Applicant Contact Information

Name:

Date:

Organization:

Organization address:

Organization phone number:

Contact person:

Contact phone number:

Contact e-mail:

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Section II: Project Title, Organization History, and Signatures

Project Title:

Requested Amount:

Organization history (75 words or less):

Director Signature: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Section III: Project Detail and Budget

Please attach answers to the following questions.
Please limit your narrative to a maximum of 3 pages.

Narrative:

1. General description of proposed program or project.
2. Specific details as to how grant will be used.
3. Who will benefit?
4. What outcomes will result from the project/program?
5. Narrative of program costs and how they were obtained.
6. How do you plan to sustain the program after the WEF grant?

Budget information:

1. Detailed project budget
2. Additional sources of funding. Please list.