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Humboldt Health Foundation Seeks Applicants for Community Health Grants

Nonprofits and community groups can receive up to $15,000 for projects and programs supporting wellbeing in Humboldt County. The Humboldt Health Foundation (HHF), an affiliate of Humboldt Area Foundation/Wild Rivers Community Foundation, has put out a request for proposals for its 2022 Community Health Grant program, which provides local nonprofits and groups with funding for work that improves residents’ and communities’ mental or physical wellbeing in Humboldt County. The deadline to apply is Monday, August 1, 2022.

The program supports a broad spectrum of wellness efforts, from culture and family support to food and housing security, mental health, and more. “The Community Health Grants are designed to support charitable organizations and projects that have a positive impact on the physical and mental health of vulnerable, underserved and/or marginalized community members”, says Craig Woods, Director of Grantmaking for the Humboldt Area Foundation, which oversees the operations of the Humboldt Health Foundation.

Humboldt Health Foundation prioritizes funding for organizations and groups that support the health and wellbeing of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color, recognizing that BIPOC have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic and that racism is a critical public health issue impacting our region. “We're pleased to offer this opportunity to support racial equity and healthy community engagement. We look forward to learning about and supporting the many creative and innovative community led projects that local groups are working on towards developing healthier communities.” says Christina Huff, Program Chair of the 2022 Community Health Grants.

Last March, the Humboldt Area Foundation/Wild Rivers Community Foundation announced its 10-year strategic vision, which explores how a community foundation can help grow a thriving,
just, healthy, and equitable region. The Foundation has also laid out four goals to support that vision, with resources and programs being developed to address these areas over a 10-year period. The goals are racial equity; healthy ecosystems; thriving youth and families; and a just economy and economic development.

Community health grants from the Humboldt Health Foundation represent a 25-year legacy of supporting our community through investment and grantmaking and underscore the Foundation’s commitment to our region’s health and wellbeing.

To learn more about the criteria and download an application, please visit the HHF website at humhealth.org.

**About Humboldt Health Foundation:**

Humboldt Health Foundation was founded in 1997 and is an affiliate of the Humboldt Area Foundation. Since its founding, Humboldt Health Foundation has distributed nearly $4.7 million in grants. Over the past year, the Foundation has given grants for program and general operating support for organizations like Building lives by Building Structures, HC Black Music and Arts Association, Native American Pathways, Redwoods Rural Health Center, as well as Queer Humboldt.