Growing Our Township

Memo To: Sumner Township Residents

Date: December, 2021

From: Sumner Community Foundation Board

RE: WHAT IS THE SUMNER COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Sumner Community Foundation is the result of a 2015 agreement between the Town of Sumner and Source Energy Services. For each ton of wet sand shipped from their mine east of Cameron, SES will contribute 20 cents to the Foundation.

The purpose of the Foundation is "...to grow and maximize earnings, ...to be used for the benefit of, and to enrich the lives of the residents of the Township of Sumner, Barron County, Wisconsin."

For the year 2021, Sumner Community Foundation received \$276,922.01 from Source Energy Services. In February 2022, SES predicts about the same contribution based upon anticipated 2021 production. According to the Foundation's Investment Policy Statement, no less than 80% of each year's contribution will be invested to create a perpetual Endowment Fund. Up to 20% of each years contribution will be awarded to efforts to improve the lives of the people of Sumner Township. For additional details about the Foundation, (By-Laws, Invest Policy Statement, Request for Proposals, and the Grant Application Request Form, etc.) go to <a href="https://www.townofsumner-wi.com/community/sumner-community-foundation/">https://www.townofsumner-wi.com/community/sumner-community-foundation/</a>

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Board of Directors encourages you, or your organization, to make a Grant Request which meets the grant application criteria by **January 15, 2022**.

To be considered eligible for charitable, educational or public works funding, the organization or individual must either: (1) reside within Sumner Township (confirmation of residence may be requested), or the: (2) proposal must serve the residences of the Township. The Foundation does not support private foundations, political or religious activities, advertising, or disease prevention/research organizations.

Preference will be given to proposals that (1) promise broad benefit and are likely to improve the quality of life for the people of Sumner Township, (2) contribute to and support activities or projects within the Township, and (3) extend the financial impact of a project through matching funds. Requests for post secondary education support/scholarship are also encouraged.

Completed grant requests **must be post marked by January 15, 2022** and sent to Sumner Community Foundation, c/o Dave Mansfield, 2622 16<sup>Th</sup> Ave, Rice Lake, WI 54868. Grant notifications will be made no later than April 15, 2022.

In 2021/2022, nine education grants of \$1000 each were awarded to Bourget Emily, Crotteau Brianna, Crotteau Jamey, Johnson Nicholas, Johnson Sydney, Klabunde Brice, Krovoza Karver, Maresca Michael. Richter Carter, Richter Hannah, Richter Kelsey, Richter Meranda, Sauve Rachel, Scott Preston, Thompson Isabelle, Vincent Grace. Grants were also awarded to "The Basement" of the Canton United Methodist Church, \$1000 in matching community support utilities expenses, Benjamin's House \$1,000, Salvation Army \$1,000, Nature's Edge Therapy \$1,000, Blue Hills Mounted Search & Rescue \$1,075, and Youth Shooting Sports \$1,500. The Town of Sumner was granted \$25,000 towards a new plow/dump truck. It is the board's intention to contribute, over three years, the majority of the cost of the new truck which would otherwise have to be raised by the property tax.

Since 2016, when the Sumner Community Foundation grants were first awarded, our Township has received over \$211,000 to extend our township's budgets to provide us with improved services.

Over the years Sumner Community Foundations funds have been used to:

2021	\$25,000	Contribution towards new plow/dump truck
2020	\$29,041	Replace town hall ramp, blacktop overlay in Canton
2019	\$50,000	23% cost of blacktop on 17th Ave
2018	\$5,000	Play Ground
2018	\$50,000	31 % cost of initial work to upgrade 17th Ave
2017	\$30,000	Maintenance Gravel 38% of total cost
2016	\$7,935	Storage Shed
2016	\$15,000	Maintenance Gravel
	\$211,976	

If you want to discuss a potential grant request, have any questions about the grant application process, or the Foundation itself, please contact one of us. We also encourage you to attend the Annual Meeting of the Foundation which will be held at the Sumner Town Hall, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 at 6 pm.

Thank you for your interest in the Sumner Community Foundation. We look forward to hearing from you.

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