

FAIRFIELD COUNTY FOUNDATION NEWS

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A Message From the Director

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

While it certainly doesn't feel like spring yet in Fairfield County, I know the daffodils and tulips will be popping up soon to let us know warmer days are indeed on the way.

Spring is always a busy time for the Foundation, with our scholarship application deadlines and grant committee funding recommendations for the first grant cycle of 2018 all taking place this week! We feel so privileged to be able to offer so many incredible scholarship and grant opportunities to the hardworking students and organizations in our community.

In this edition of the newsletter, we are providing detailed information about the deadlines for Grant Cycles 2 and 3, as well as an overview of a recent grant we provided to the Pickerington Senior Center.

As always, we are incredibly grateful to our donors and supporters throughout Fairfield County who help make these projects and programs possible.

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Amy Eyman
Executive Director

Foundation Grant Cycles and Deadlines

In an effort to create more opportunities throughout the year for local organizations to apply for grants and minimize the amount of time between cycles, the Foundation made a decision to increase the number of grant cycles from two to three starting in 2018.

The first cycle is complete, with the grant committee providing funding recommendations to the board this week. Following are the remaining deadlines for 2018:

CYCLE 2:

- Preliminary grants due: May 14, 2018 (2nd Monday of May)
- Invitations to submit full grant sent 2nd week of May
- Grant application due: June 11, 2018 (2nd Monday of June)
- Grant Committee recommendations to Board of Trustees for approval: July 19, 2018

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CYCLE 3:

- Preliminary grants due: September 10, 2018 (2nd Monday of September)
- Invitations to submit full grant sent 2nd week of September
- Grant application due: October 8, 2018 (2nd Monday of October)
- Grant Committee recommendations to Board of Trustees for approval: November 15, 2018

<u>Click here</u> to view grant guidelines and the preliminary grant application.

Foundation Awards Grant to Pickerington Senior Center

The Pickerington Senior Center has been awarded a \$4,000 grant from the Alma S. Busby Fund of the Fairfield County Foundation for the installation of a backup generator.

As part of the Center's plan to increase membership, they are helping local seniors by serving lunch in partnership with Meals on Wheels. This requires storing food and meats at the center and it was determined that a backup generator will add insurance and provide shelter in case of power outages.

The Pickerington Senior Center was incorporated in 1976. Early on, they operated from local churches and meeting halls. In 1986, the current Senior Center was built with the help of the taxpayers and Violet Township. The population has increased dramatically since 1976 and the Center continues to change and grow to keep up with the needs of the seniors in their community. The Center currently serves approximately 800 members.





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nonsectarian philanthropic institution with a long-term goal of building permanent funds established by many donors to carry out their charitable interests, and for the broad-based charitable interest of and for the residents of a defined geographic area.