

FUTURE FUND GRANT MAKING GUIDELINES

The Community Foundation of Jo Daviess County welcomes proposals for projects that benefit a broad spectrum of the community and create future opportunity in the county by addressing a current significant gap/need or by creating new opportunity.

We look for projects which

- Create broad impact
- Present innovative, create, and practical proposals which build on community strengths
- Present clear work plans which sow the ability to achieve the projects goal
- Encourage cooperation and create efficiencies
- Develop leadership potential of the community
- Involve the people served in the planning and implementation of the program
- Demonstrate quality, vision, effectiveness, collaboration, and good management
- Provide a plan for sustainability beyond the funding period

Eligibility

- Nonprofit 501(c)3 organizations, churches, schools or government organizations that provide services within Jo Daviess County
- Organizations who do not have a 501(c)3 status may find a qualifying agency to sponsor them. A Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement must be attached to the application.

Requirements

- Organizations must be operated and organized in compliance with applicable laws prohibiting discrimination
- Organizations must provide a letter of cash match intent from their Board of Directors. Matching funds must be identified.

What we do not fund

- Recurring, annual project or operating support
- Annual and capital campaigns
- Budget deficit
- Individuals
- Political, labor, religious, fraternal or service organizations

Areas of Funding

The Future Fund for Jo Daviess County supports ideas that advance the future of Jo Daviess County and/or address future needs in our community. The fund focuses on ideas that will create a significant impact in areas of need such as

- family economic security
- education, and
- community development