



ALBUMS OF HOPE

Albums of Hope requests funding to sustain and build on the support it offers to those impacted by cancer and critical illness. An Album of Hope, a pocket-sized photo album, offers hope and emotional support with inspirational quotes and photos.

CREATIVE ARTS, INC.

Creative Arts studio is seeking grant funding to help cover operating costs, which will help provide quality afterschool art classes and summer art camps for children ages 4-17.

CRYSTAL LAKE TEEN CENTER (THE BREAK)

The Crystal Lake Teen Center, also known as The Break, seeks funding to hire a part-time Executive Director. Grant funds will move the organization closer to a vision of providing the most optimal environment for youth to safely grow through adolescence and to thrive into adulthood.

CYCLING WITHOUT AGE MCHENRY COUNTY

This grant will help fund two additional Trishaws (three-wheeled cycles), two additional trailers, and other equipment. This will enable 600 Trishaw rides annually to older adults, with the goal of reducing social isolation and loneliness.

DORR TOWNSHIP

Program funding will provide a variety of fun and healthy social activities to create year-long awareness and participation in this areas long-awaited amenity for older residents, SOAR@DORR Center, in continued partnership with the City of Woodstock.

EAA CHAPTER 932, INC.

The Young Eagles Build and Fly Program is an intensive RC model building and flying initiative to introduce kids to aircraft construction and the fundamentals of flight. The funding will help provide essential supplies, tools, and needed equipment.

ENCORE MUSIC ACADEMY.

Seeking funding for an initiative to focus on the power of music to effect personal growth and social change; broaden perspectives, increase empathy and embrace diversity.

FRIENDS OF MORAIN HILLS STATE PARK.

Moraine Hills State Park McHenry Dam shrubland restoration. The project involves the removal of dense non-native invasive brush, the purchase and planting of 250 native shrubs and installing interpretive signage.

GIGI'S PLAYHOUSE OF MCHENRY COUNTY

Gigi's Playhouse provides free educational, therapeutic-based and career development programs for individuals with Down syndrome, their families and the community. This grant is requested to provide additional support, a Site Assistant, to the playhouse staff, families and

programs. Gigi's has one paid employee to serve 288 families, oversee 68 volunteers and run 11 programs and counting.

HUNTLEY COMMUNITY RADIO

Huntley Community Radio needs funding to continue operating, thereby serving the residents of McHenry County. Underwriting has suffered in the past year due to COVID 19. HCR would like to expand its remote broadcasts to include more local events.

KIDS IN NEED OF MCHENRY COUNTY

The purpose of this request is to assist Kids in Need of McHenry County with providing support to families who are unable to afford the fees for supervised child visits, therapeutic child visits or parent coaching that is court ordered.

LIVING WATERS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Living Waters Lutheran Church has created a panel to address the mental-health issues that have arisen during 2020. Sessions will be live-streamed, offering convenient access to information. Living Waters needs an updated A/V system to be effective.

MAZATECUTLI FOUNDATION

Based in McHenry County, the Mazatecutli Foundation was formed by immigrants to support immigrants. Funding is requested to hire a part-time staff member to expand program operations in the areas of community integration, legal orientation, and cultural and educational development.



McHENRY COUNTY CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

Built nearly 25 years ago, the Prairie Trail needs extensive resurfacing, renovations and increased amenities. The McHenry County Conservation Foundation (MCCF) seeks funding to support critical work needed to improve and enhance the trail.

McHENRY COUNTY FARM BUREAU AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The McHenry County Farm Bureau's Foundation is seeking funds to support its Agriculture in the Classroom program. The program provides agricultural programs and resources to students, teachers and the general public.

NAMI OF McHENRY COUNTY

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of McHenry County requests general operating funds for community outreach efforts to raise awareness and increase participation in NAMI support, education and advocacy programs. NAMI does not charge for services. This request is crucial.

ONE MILLION MONARCHS INC.

Funding is requested to support High School and Middle School students in McHenry County who are grieving the loss of a parent or sibling through no-fee counseling services and by providing parenting resources to enable teens to navigate their grief in a healthy way.

RAHABS DAUGHTERS

Funding is requested to serve communities and disrupt human trafficking with the use of modern technology, at every stage from stopping demand to prevention, rescue, and rehabilitation. Grant funds will also expand curriculum for Fight Like a Girl, Fight for Girl and Traffick END Zone programs.

REFUGE FOR WOMEN

Refuge for Women seeks general operating funds to provide women survivors of sex trafficking with the 24/7 staffing support and staff training necessary to maintain a safe, healing environment as residents progress through evidence-based programming.

SEVEN GENERATIONS AHEAD

The Zero Waste Schools McHenry County project will work with schools to increase recycling, eliminate waste and convert food scraps into composting toward achieving 80% diversion rates, and disseminate project data across additional McHenry County schools.

THE AARRK GARDENS

Agriculture is at the core of how The Aarrk Gardens interacts with its client base and supporters. Farm machinery is used as a means to plant and harvest crops and to provide job training skills for economically disadvantaged individuals.

WOODSTOCK FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

Funding to cover expenses for the six speakers featured in the 58th season of the speaker series to help assure the continued viability of a beloved local, county-wide resource for inspiration and enlightenment.

YOUNG AT HEART SENIOR PET ADOPTIONS

Funding is requested for general operating expenses which will help provide homeless senior pets with the chance to find a loving family, divert senior pets from local animal controls, and provide elderly/ill pet owners and their families with the peace of mind that their senior pet will be cared for.

YOUR CHILDREN'S BOOKSHELF

Our Books to You Program will provide 6,000 new and gently used children's books at no cost to 1,000 McHenry County children. By partnering with local non-profit agencies, Your Children's Bookshelf is able to identify and support in-need children and families in the county by providing free reading materials.