



**Chariton Valley Electric
Operation Round Up Foundation
GRANT GUIDELINES**

PURPOSE

Funds for Operation Round Up are voluntarily donated by Chariton Valley Electric Cooperative member-owners and its employees. Operation Round Up contributions will be used primarily in the local area served by the Cooperative for charitable and educational purposes.

Although there are many worthy charitable and educational projects and community needs in our local area, the limited availability of funds requires us to establish funding priority categories.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Contributions will generally be made to non-profit, civic or community-based organizations that demonstrate a commitment to enhance the quality of life in the region.
2. Projects should fit in one or more of these categories: Community Service, Economic Development, Education and/or Youth, Environment, Disaster Relief.
3. Applications must be submitted on Official Chariton Valley Electric Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation Application forms.

RESTRICTIONS

Contributions will generally not be made for:

- a. Lobbying, political and religious organizations or highly sensitive/controversial events
- b. Fraternal and labor organizations
- c. Fundraising dinners, raffles and other events
- d. Individuals
- e. Capital fund campaigns
- f. National fund drives
- g. Advertising
- h. Ongoing operational expenses
- i. Grants will not normally exceed \$10,000 for any one group, organization or charity



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EVALUATION FACTORS

The following factors will be considered in the evaluation of all funding requests:

- a. Potential benefit to area residents and the entire community
- b. Level of community support for the program or project
- c. Administrative capability of the organization to deliver quality service or program
- d. Results that are predictable and can be evaluated

REQUIREMENTS/CHECKLIST (applications not meeting these criteria will not be considered)

- Completed application form
- Include detailed budget showing how requested funds will be spent (include bids, quotes, pricing, etc.). Funds must be used for the specific request and must be returned if not used accordingly
- Copy of 501(c) or non-profit status letter (letter of determination from the IRS)- if applicable
- Copy of the organization's financial statements for the previous year and/or Copy of IRS 990 (pages 1 and 2 only) - if applicable
- Please provide three letters of recommendation or support