

Minnesota 4-H Foundation Center Opportunity Grants

- Who:** Minnesota 4-H area-, regional- and state-level staff
- What:** Grants that provide an opportunity to fund worthy youth development programs that young people want, that adults are ready to support and where *one-time* funding will make a difference.
- When:** Guidelines with proposal deadlines are available on the 4-H Foundation Web Page:
<http://www.fourh.umn.edu/foundation/>

SELECTION PROCESS AND TIMETABLE:

- February 1 – Grant Opportunities announced
- April 15 – Area, Regional and Center Grant applications due
- May 1 – Deadline for Center Director review and preliminary endorsement
- May and June – Distribution Committee review and board approval
- June – Recipients are notified
- July 1 – Grant money is available for programs

- Cost:** Grants funding varies.

Additional Information:

PRIORITIES IN DETERMINING FUNDING:

1. Increasing the number of youth involved in 4-H (Grow Green) while developing youth competencies and meeting most of the eight essential needs of youth.
2. Strong evidence of how private funding will leverage other resources.
3. Requests should have application to the entire state or region.
4. “Learning by doing” youth programs that involve caring staff, adults and youth.
5. Programs that allow monitoring and measuring reportable results.
6. Programs that reach out to new and diverse youth and adult audiences.

7. Programs soundly grounded in research and youth development principles.
8. Faculty and/or leaders that are knowledgeable, able and available to lead.

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