

Community Connection Nov. 2017

Mark Your Calendar for These 2018 CFCI Grant Opportunities

In 2017, the Community Foundation of Central Illinois awarded over \$208,000 in competitive grants to nonprofit organizations providing valuable programs and services to the community. For more than 31 years, the Community Foundation has helped our generous fund holders make a lasting philanthropic impact as we continue to "connect people who care with causes that matter".

As you prepare for the coming year, please be sure to place these grant opportunities on your calendar. Applications are accessible through our website and typically open two months prior to the deadline. The following are grant opportunities that will be offered through CFCI in 2018:

- **Community Arts Grants** - deadline March 1st
- **The Arts Mean Business Fund Grants** - deadline March 1st
- **Jean M. Ligon Animal Welfare Grants** - deadline March 1st
- **Emerging Philanthropists Fund Grant** - deadline June 13th
- **Community Needs Grants** - deadline September 5th
- **The Women's Fund Success Grants** - deadline September 5th
- **The Local Jobs Fund Grant** - deadline September 5th

For more information on grant opportunities available through the Community Foundation, please visit communityfoundationci.org or call (309) 674-8730.





To learn more about the Women's Fund of the Community Foundation of Central Illinois, please call (309) 674-8730 or visit www.communityfoundationci.org.



PPS Foundation Awards Over \$19,000 in 2017 Classroom Grants to Support Teachers



A joint effort between The Murray and Rena Yeomans Fund of the Community Foundation of Central Illinois and Peoria Public Schools Foundation awarded 23 Peoria Public Schools District 150 teachers \$19,829 in grants. Classroom Grants are available to any Peoria Public Schools District 150 teacher interested in offering additional projects to enrich the classroom experience for the students. It is a

competitive grant process and awards are made in amounts of \$1,000 or less.

Since 1998, the Peoria Public Schools Foundation has provided over \$215,000 in classroom grants to District 150 teachers. The program is designed to benefit students by supporting teachers and allowing professional educators to implement their most innovative ideas. The deadline to apply for Classroom Grants each year is in early October and funds must be used before May of next year.

[Click here to view a complete listing of the 2017 Classroom Grants recipients.](#)

For more information on the Community Foundation and the Peoria Public Schools Foundation Classroom Grants, please visit www.communityfoundationci.org.



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