



Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund Grant Request

Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund Overview

The Minnesota Masters Swim Committee (Local Masters Swim Committee) Endowment Fund is established to support the mission of Minnesota Masters Swim Committee and to encourage activities or programs that support adult swimming within our region.

Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Mission Statement

Minnesota Masters Swim Committee promotes swimming throughout our region* as part of a healthy lifestyle for adults of all swimming experience levels, from novice to expert. We have a wide range of programs for all adult swimmers (fitness, tri-athlete, competitive) that provide organized workouts, technique instruction and skills development, opportunities for pool or open water competition, as well as opportunities for community involvement. We relish the camaraderie of fellow swimmers as we support each other in striving to reach our personal goals.

* Our region consists of Minnesota and the western Wisconsin counties of St. Croix, Dunn, and Pierce

GRANTMAKING POLICIES

1. Priority is given to programs and projects which expect to have a positive effect on the Minnesota Masters Swim Committee and its goals and objectives.
2. Grants are made to nonprofit organizations exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
3. Grants are generally given one time only for specific purposes and will not typically be awarded to provide annual operating expenses or support.
4. Grants are made with the understanding that the Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund has no obligation or commitment to provide any additional support to the grantee.
5. The Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund operates without discrimination as to age, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability or national origin in the consideration of grant requests, and will award grants only to seekers which do not unlawfully discriminate as to age, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability or national origin.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE APPLYING FOR A GRANT

1. The Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund does not generally make grants to create or augment other organizational endowments.
2. The Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund generally does not provide funding for projects that are considered part of a regular school curriculum.
3. The Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund does not generally support travel for educational or other purposes.



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4. The Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund does not provide grants in support of any political campaign, or to support attempts to influence legislation of any governmental body other than by making the results of nonpartisan analysis, study, and research available.



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GRANT SELECTION CRITERIA

In reviewing grant applications, the foundation gives careful consideration to:

1. The potential impact of the request and the number of people who will benefit;
2. An imaginative and creative approach;
3. The extent of volunteer involvement and support for the project;
4. The commitment and capacity of the requesting organization's leadership to carry out the program or project;
5. The degree to which the applicant works with or complements the work of other organizations in an attempt to eliminate duplication of services and to encourage programs that enhance cooperation and collaboration among institutions within the general field of the Minnesota Masters Swim Committee;
6. The organization's fiscal responsibility and management qualifications;
7. The possibility of using the grant as seed money for matching funds from other sources;
8. The ability of the organization to obtain the necessary additional funding to implement the project; and,
9. The ability of the organization to provide ongoing funding after the term of the grant as expired.

email Completed Form to:

grants@minnesotamasters.com



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MINNESOTA MASTERS SWIM COMMITTEE GRANT APPLICATION

Minnesota Masters Swim Committee
2011 Endowment Fund

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Name of Organization	Date
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Street	Telephone
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
City	State Zip

Mission of the Organization:

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Does your organization have tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code?

Yes No

Describe the population served by the organization:

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Amount requested: \$ Total cost of proposed project: \$

Date the funds from this grant would be needed:

How long has the organization been functioning?

Is this grant to supplement an established program? Yes No

Is the organization directly affiliated with MM LMSC Yes No

Previous grant received from Minnesota Masters Swim Committee:

Date:	<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	Amount	\$ <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
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Other funding for the proposed project Potential or committed Amount (Please list the organization's major sources of support and the percent of the total each provides:

(To be signed by the President of the governing body and by individual to whom future questions and correspondence may be addressed):

Print Name:

Signature:

Title:

Phone:



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Project Description

Please answer the following questions using no more than two pages, single spaced, in twelve (12) point font, in the order listed. You are encouraged to be as specific as possible within the space allowed.

1. Describe the project for which funds are requested and identify any not-for-profit partners with whom you will work to plan or implement the project.
2. How did you become aware of or identify the need for this project?
3. How do you plan to evaluate the success of your project?
4. What are your current thoughts on how this project might be sustained (if appropriate)?
5. If the Minnesota Masters Swim Committee Endowment Fund does not approve your request for funds, what alternative plan would you probably follow?
6. Is there anything else you would like for us to know about this project?

Attachments and Submission Instructions:

1. Detailed budget for the proposed project justifying the amount requested.
2. List of members of your governing body.
3. Most recent financial audit.
4. The organization's current year budget.
5. Copy of 501(c)(3) tax exemption ruling from Internal Revenue Service.
6. Prior income and expense statements for the project (except new projects).
7. Additional supporting documents (brochures, flyers, etc.)