



City of Grand Rapids

NEIGHBORHOOD MATCH FUND

UPLIFTING COMMUNITIES

THAT IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD MATCH FUND?

Also called "NMF"

- Financial resource for resident leaders and community based projects
- Awards contracts up to \$5,000 two times a year
- Requires resident "match" equal to the award amount

OUR PURPOSE & OBJECTIVES

RESIDENT LEADERSHIP

Lift up resident leadership in the development and implementation of the project

CONNECTIONS

Build stronger connections (relationships) between neighbors

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Promote social justice and inclusion

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Benefit the public / community as a whole

ELIGIBLE NMF APPLICANTS:

Project lead must be a Grand Rapids resident from the community impacted by the project



Non-profits located in Grand Rapids



Informal resident groups from Grand Rapids



Individual Grand Rapids Residents





Project Examples

- •West Leonard Mural
- Juneteenth Celebrations
- •Black Book Exchange Box GR
- Block Organizing & Celebration
- •Neighborhood Wellness Garden
- Summer Evening Sport Series
- Promoting Water Safety

- Adult & Youth Literacy Events
- Sidewalk Snow Removal
- Beautification/Community Clean Ups
- Intergenerational Sewing Circle
- •COVID-19 Resiliency Projects

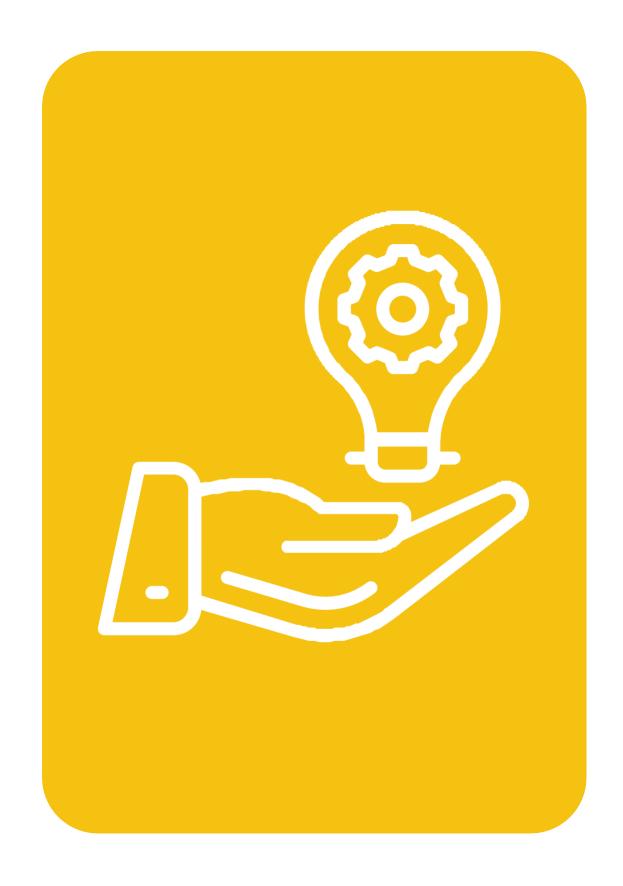




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Process & Logistics

STEP - BY - STEP



Step 1:

SUBMITTING YOUR IDEA

- Project lead can submit at <u>www.grandrapidsmi.gov/nmf</u>
- They will be asked to:
- Describe and explain project in writing orvideo format
- Explain how project aligns with NMF purpose and objectives
- List a clear draft of how you would use NMF funds
- If you know the Grand Rapids nonprofit that will serve as your fiduciary, make sure they are registered as a vendor with the City.



Notified of **Project End** Meet with NMF Submit Idea **Project Start Date** Date/Closing Report **Decision** Staff Mid July Early August June September February 28 Mid January Early February March 1 August 31 December



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Completing & Tracking your Project

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

TRACKING YOUR SPENDING

Start Tracking Early!

- We will need to know:
- How much of your award was spent
- How much of the award was spent in GR city limits
- Leftover funds must be refunded to the City





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