

Nonprofits serving Plainville residents can apply for grants; info on how to apply

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PLAINVILLE – Nonprofit organizations serving Plainville residents are invited to apply for grants through The Main Street Community Foundation's Plainville Community Fund.

The organization or the program for which funding is requested must be located in Plainville and/or be of benefit to Plainville residents. The deadline for organizations to apply is April 30 at 4 p.m.

Samantha Rajotte, scholarship and program officer at the Main Street Community Foundation, said the Plainville Community Fund was established at Main Street Community Foundation in 2006. She said it was created by a group of "committed community leaders" in Plainville who were "interested in creating a permanent resource for charitable programs and projects that would enhance the quality of life for Plainville residents."



Susan Sadecki, president and CEO of the Main Street Community Foundation. -FILE PHOTO

"Last year a total of \$12,000 was awarded to improve the lives of those living in town," Rajotte said. "These grants included unrestricted operating support in response to covid-19 as well as support for vital programs benefiting Plainville residents."

In total, the foundation has awarded grants from the fund totaling nearly \$100,000 over the last 15 years.

The following organizations received grants from the Plainville Community Fund last year:

- *Chrysalis Center, Inc.: \$1,000 for case management services for residents of St. Philip House
- *For Goodness Sake: \$1,500 for unrestricted operating support in response to covid-19
- *Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters: \$1,500 for community based mentoring in Plainville
- *Plainville Board of Education: \$500 to purchase an iPad for the Plainville High School Math Department to facilitate virtual learning in response to covid-19
- *Plainville Community Food Pantry: \$4,000 for general support for staffing costs and the purchase of food and supplies
- *Plainville Community Food Pantry: \$500 for unrestricted operating support in response to covid-19

*Prudence Crandall Center, Inc.: \$2,000 for unrestricted operating support for services provided to residents of Plainville in response to covid-19

*Town of Plainville Social Services: \$1,000 to purchase gift cards to provide food and daily essential items to Plainville residents in need in response to increased demand due to covid-19

Organizations interested in applying for the grant must email Kate Kerchaert, director of grants and programs, at kate@mainstreetfoundation.org or call 860-583-6363 for a preliminary discussion at least seven business days prior to the deadline. For guidelines, eligibility criteria and links to the online applications, visit mainstreetfoundation.org.

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