

Main Street Community Foundation now accepting grants for trio of funds

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BRISTOL – The Main Street Community Foundation is now accepting grants for the Women & Girls Fund, Men & Boys Fund and Burlington Community Fund for their fall grant cycle.

Samantha Rajotte, scholarship and program officer with the Main Street Community Foundation, said that grant applications are being accepted from local organizations for programs that serve women and girls, men and boys and/or Burlington residents.



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

"Organizations that are located in or serving the residents of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott may be eligible to apply," she said.

The deadline to apply for grants from the Women & Girls Fund is Sept. 9.

"The Women & Girls Fund was founded in 2001 by a group of caring and committed residents," Rajotte said. "Through its grantmaking program, the Women & Girls Fund assists women and girls with improving the conditions and opportunities in their lives. The fund seeks to deepen its impact by providing grants that will ensure ongoing support for women and girls in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott."

The deadline to apply for grants from the Men & Boys Fund is Sept. 16.

"This fund was established in 2016 by a group of local, committed residents, and through its grantmaking program, the Fund makes it possible for men and boys to improve the quality of their lives, increase self-sufficiency and make a positive difference in their community," Rajotte said. "The Foundation is accepting applications for the Men & Boys' Fund from nonprofit organizations serving men and boys in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott."

The deadline to apply for grants from the Burlington Community Fund is also Sept. 16.

"Applications from nonprofit organizations serving Burlington residents will be considered for funding through the Burlington Community Fund," Rajotte said. "This fund was established in 2011 by a group of committed community leaders in Burlington who were interested in creating an additional resource for charitable projects and programs that would enhance the lives of Burlington residents."

The Online Grants Center can be accessed through the Foundation's website, mainstreetfoundation.org/apply-for-grant, and includes a link to the application as well as the full guidelines and eligibility criteria. Interested organizations can contact Kate Kerchaert, director of grants &

programs at kate@mainstreetfoundation.org, or another member of the grantmaking department, at 860-583-6363 for a preliminary discussion of their proposal at least one week prior to the deadline.

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