From the community Community Foundation Accepting Grant and Scholarship Applications from Plymouth Organizations and Residents

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in Street Community Foundation is currently accepting grant applications from area nonprofit organizations through its competitive General Grant Cycle while scholarship applications are being accepted from local students. All guidelines, eligibility criteria and links to the online applications are available on the Foundation's website, www.mainstreetfoundation.org.

Nonprofit organizations serving Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and/or Wolcott may be eligible to apply for grants through the Foundation's competitive General Grant Cycle. Funding consideration will be given to, but not limited to, proposals requesting support for charitable projects in the areas of education, health, human services, sports field maintenance, animal welfare, environment and arts and culture. All proposals for the General Grant Cycle are due March 30, 2018.

Eligibility criteria and the link to the online applications for the General Grant Cycle is posted on the Foundation's website. Interested organizations are required to contact Jarre Betts, Vice President of Programs, or Kate Kerchaert, Program Officer, at 860.583.6363 before submitting a proposal.

The Foundation is also accepting applications for scholarships from local residents who wish to pursue their educational and career goals. These scholarship funds target many diverse areas of study and are available to students at various points in their educational careers. The 2018 Scholarship Directory, which lists all scholarships and eligibility criteria, and the link to the Foundation's online application are available on the Foundation's website. The deadline for the majority of the scholarships is March 16, 2018.

Included in the scholarships offered this year are two new scholarships available to graduating seniors at Terryville High School:

• The Ray Machine Corp./Ray & Darlene Lassy Family Fund is available to a graduating high school senior from Terryville High School who will be pursuing post-secondary education in precision machining, mechanical engineering or manufacturing and design.

• The Dora Schubert Scholarship Fund will award a scholarship to a graduating high school senior from Terryville High School; there is a preference to children of members of the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Terryville.

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The Main Street Community Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for both present and future generations in the communities served by encouraging and promoting gift planning, prudent stewardship of assets, effective grantmaking and community leadership. A nonprofit public charity, created by private citizens, the foundation works with donors in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott who wish to build permanent charitable endowments to support their communities. Since its founding in 1995, the foundation has provided over \$15 million in grants and scholarships.

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