



Healthy Living Fund

History of the Fund

In June of 2018, Bay Area Community Foundation was a proud recipient of \$1 million from The Dow Corning Foundation as a part of a \$3 million grant to the Great Lakes Bay Region for healthy communities. Midland Area Community Foundation and Saginaw Community Foundation also received \$1 million. The grants are meant to enable projects that provide recreation and healthy experiences to residents of and visitors to the Great Lakes Bay Region. These funds will be granted out into the community during the next five years or until the funds are exhausted.

Purpose of the Fund

The Healthy Living fund supports recreation and healthy experiences that allow residents and visitors of all ages to come together and enjoy a sense of community. Acceptable projects include those that construct, maintain, or repair community assets that promote a healthy lifestyle. This fund is not intended to support organized sports teams or sponsor their activities. Funding collaboration is required. Priority will be given to projects that have a plan for ongoing maintenance.

The funded projects will:

- Be submitted by a government entity, school, or registered 501(c)(3) organization in Bay or Arenac counties
- Provide an experience that promotes a healthier lifestyle
- Provide a place where people can meet and gather
- Provide for ongoing maintenance
- Be comprised of more than one funding source

How to Apply

- Contact Program Officer Joni King at (989)893-4438 to discuss your project.
- If eligible, you will be given a password to access the online grant application.
- Applications are available during the Semiannual Grants program.