

Community Assets Grant Program Workshop June 21, 2016

ECGRA's Mission

An impact investor, ECGRA's mission is to elevate Erie County by galvanizing nonprofits toward economic and community development.

Since February 2008, ECGRA has invested more than \$40 million in Erie County.



Community Assets Grants \$12,000 Maximum; 1 to 1 Cash Match

Project, programming, and event funding for organizations whose focus is primarily –

- Arts
- Culture
- Entertainment
- Heritage
- Recreation



Eligibility Requirements

- 501c3
- Headquartered in Erie County
- In good standing with the IRS, state, and local taxing bodies
- In good standing with ECGRA's reporting requirements to date



Ineligible Organizations

- Received 2015 Mission Main Street Funding
- A Human Services Organization
- A Municipality
- A State or Federal Park
- A Healthcare or Long-term Care Facility
- Primary or Secondary Educational Institutions
- Part of the ECGRA 2010 Settlement Agreement



Eligible Use of Funds

- Personnel (15% max of requested amount)
- Marketing
- Facility Expense
- Insurance
- Equipment & Supplies
- Contracted Services
- Construction
- Outcomes Measurement/Impact Tracking



Ineligible Expenses

- Advocacy
- Conference Attendance
- Debt Service
- Memberships & Subscriptions
- Research
- Travel
- Walks
- Golf & Other Sports Tournaments



Co-Branding With ECGRA

- Publicize your partnership with ECGRA through the use of the online marketing and PR resources at ecgra.org/branding, which include the following:
 - ECGRA logos and widgets with instructions for use
 - "ECGRA Grant Money Works Here" brand guidelines
 - Print and web ads and samples
 - Sample social media posts
 - Suggested article themes
- Contact ECGRA PR and Brand Manager Amanda Burlingham at <u>aburlingham1@neo.rr.com</u> or Grants Manager Tom Maggio at <u>tmaggio@ecgra.org</u> with questions.
- Get a free ECGRA banner! dianek@ecgra.org



Important Dates

o July 14, 2016

Application goes live

o Aug. 11, 2016

Applications due

Sept. 8, 2016

Grants awarded

o Oct. 10, 2016

Agreement letter due

o Oct. 31, 2017

Closeout Report due





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Apply for a Grant

