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Catholic Health Seeking Requests for Community Benefit Grants

As part of its commitment to improve the health of the community and increase access to care for the underserved, Catholic Health is seeking requests for its 2019 Community Benefit Grants. Non-profit, community-based organizations that serve the poor and disadvantaged by addressing unmet health needs are invited to submit a grant application. Each project or initiative can be awarded for up to \$10,000 for the grant period, which runs from July 2019 - June 2020.

To be considered for grant funding, applications must be received by Friday, May 17. Local churches/faith communities, non-profit community-based organizations, Catholic Health departments or primary care sites, are invited to apply. Completed applications can be mailed to Catholic Health, Attn: Sharyl Hendel, 144 Genesee St., Buffalo, NY 14203 or emailed to shendel@chsbuffalo.org.

Grant Request Proposal Criteria

- Supports Catholic Health's Community Needs Implementation Plan or unmet health needs in Western New York community as outlined in the New York State Prevention Agenda.
- Demonstrates capacity building and/or sustainability beyond the grant period to have a positive impact on lives and communities it intends to serve.
- Shows ability to implement project successfully or demonstrate past success.
- Provides services to "safety net" populations such as Medicaid, uninsured.

In 2018, Catholic Health awarded \$132,000 in grant funding to organizations whose work has a direct impact on the region's most vulnerable populations. For more information or a grant application, visit www.chsbuffalo.org/community-benefit/grant-request-2019 or call 716-923-4828.

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