

Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan

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Based in Montgomery, NY, the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan “connects people who care with causes that matter.” Established in 1999, the Foundation helps philanthropic individuals, businesses and organizations establish charitable funds that award grants and scholarships, for good, for ever. The Foundation has significantly increased the region’s charitable capital and has empowered donors to make a profound difference in the quality of life in our region.

The Make a Difference Fund was established by the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan to provide grants to local organizations that provide services and programs to children of low-income, disadvantaged or distressed families. Over the past several years, various area nonprofits have received support from this fund for critical programs and services.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE FUND

Funding Priority:

Funding priority will be given to tax exempt organizations located in Orange County and Sullivan County, New York that provide programs or services for children of low-income, disadvantaged or distressed families.

Focus Area:

For 2018, the Make A Difference Fund will give consideration to programs or services that have a focus on **Science** and **Technology**. Below are the focus areas for the next four years:

- 2019 – Wellness/Recreation/Exercise
- 2020 – Arts
- 2021 – Environment
- 2022 – Food and Nutrition

Eligibility:

The following organizations are eligible to apply for grants: Tax exempt organizations located in Orange and Sullivan County.

Please note that grants are not given to support:

- Endowment Funds.
- Organizations that received a Make A Difference grant within one (1) year.
- Projects that influence specific legislation or election campaigns.

- Academic or medical research.
- Private education and religious organizations except for programs that serve broad community needs.
- Retroactive funding for projects that have been completed or will be completed prior to the grant award date.
- Fundraising events, the purchase of tickets for benefits, courtesy advertising.
- Replacement of governmental or other public funding except for grants bridging periods before anticipated funding.
- Higher education scholarships
- Employee compensation

Awards:

In 2018, the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan will consider two (2) grants of up to \$2,000 and two (2) grants of up to \$1,500. Two (2) to Orange County Nonprofit Organizations and two (2) to Sullivan County Nonprofit Organizations.

Application: Attached.

Deadline:

Applications must be received by August 1, 2018. Awards will be announced in November.

Questions:

Sarah Pruschki, Communications & Program Coordinator at (845) 769-9393 or sarah@cfosny.org
 Stacey Muller, Finance Manager at (845) 769-9393 or stacey@cfosny.org

Criteria:

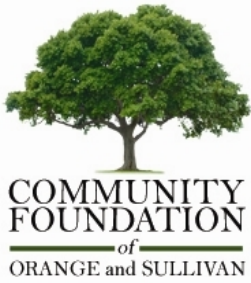
Each application will be reviewed based on the following criteria:

- **Fit with mission:** Does the proposed project/program fit with the mission and priorities of the Make A Difference Fund?
- **Effectiveness:** How well does the request describe how it addresses the funding priority of the Make A Difference Fund?
- **Applicant:** Does the applicant have a reputation for implementing quality programs? Does the applicant have the staff/resources to execute the project?
- **Number of people served:** How many individuals will be served by this project? If only a few will be served, is it likely that the learning from this project will provide greater benefit for the future?

Review Process:

All applications will be rated upon the criteria listed above and reviewed by the Distribution Committee of the Community Foundation. This committee is comprised of Board and community members representing all areas of Orange and Sullivan County. All recommendations are reviewed, approved or declined by the Board of Directors of the Community Foundation.

Submit completed applications electronically to admin@cfosny.org



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MAKE A DIFFERENCE FUND GRANT APPLICATION FORM

501(C)(3) ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name as it appears on 501(c)(3) Determination Letter:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone No:

Fax No:

CEO's Name:

CEO's E-mail Address:

Fiscal Year (*Month & Day*): From ____/____ to ____/____

Description of Organization: (attach a separate sheet of paper as necessary)

PROJECT INFORMATION

Amount Requested:

Total Project Budget:

Please provide a description of the project and the impact on children and families:

Provide a project completion plan:

How many children will be impacted by this project?

What county will be impacted by this project:

If you are to receive a grant from the Make A Difference Fund, what will be the impact on the overall project? Please provide details on additional sources of funding for this project or describe plans for additional fundraising.

GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

SUBMIT A COMPLETE SET OF THE FOLLOWING (electronically to ADMIN@CFOSNY.ORG)

- Completed application
- Copy of nonprofit determination letter
- A project budget along with quotes/estimated costs for implementation of project
- Copy of organization's operating budget

By signing below, I agree that I have submitted this application in good faith and my submission fits the eligibility requirements set for this grant. Further, I indicate that I understand and agree to abide by the rules, guidelines and requirements of the grant. I also indicate by signing below that I understand incomplete applications and/or the submission of false information may result in my application being denied. Additionally, my signature indicates that I understand funding is limited and therefore only select applicants will receive grant funding.

SIGNATURE OF CEO:

DATE:

CONTACT INFORMATION

Complete applications can be submitted electronically (preferred), mailed, faxed or hand delivered to the following:

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