Norris Power Goodwill Fund
P.O. Box 399
Beatrice, NE 68310

Grant Award Guidelines

General Information

The role of the Norris Power Operation Round Up Goodwill Fund Board is to wisely manage the funds entrusted to them by supporting activities within the Norris Public Power District service territory that are consistent with the purpose of the organization.

The Directors intend to support as many organizations as possible. They encourage organizations who seek grant funding to look at other resources as well as the Goodwill Fund. Organizations are encouraged to be resourceful by putting some of its own money into a project and obtain support from other organizations, as well. Project bids or estimates are required. Applications must be submitted and approved prior to commencement of projects.

It is helpful to understand the priorities and financial health of an organization. Therefore, the Board requests that financial information be provided or completed on the budget form.

The Board meets quarterly to consider applications. The Board has authority to support, question, or deny any request. Once the Board has awarded a grant, a check will be issued to the organization that completed the application.

Grant proposals are carefully reviewed and among other considerations, the following questions are addressed: a) Is there an established need for the program or project?; b) Is it appropriate for the Goodwill Fund Board to award a grant for the requested purpose or are there more compatible sources of potential funding?; c) Does the Goodwill Fund have adequate resources to effectively respond to this need?; and d) Does the award benefit Norris Public Power District customers?

Grant Award Guidelines

1. Grants will only be awarded to organizations located in Gage, Jefferson, Lancaster, Saline, Seward or Thayer County. Organizations located in cities and towns in these counties that are not served by Norris Public Power District are eligible but may receive an appropriate grant based on the estimated number of District customers that may benefit from the grant.

2. Grants to school organizations, such as a booster club, parent teacher group, art club journalism club, etc… may be considered. A school administrator must sign the application.
3. Grants to church schools and preschools may be considered if the organization is open to the public.
4. $2,500 is the maximum grant that may be awarded to an organization within a 12 month time period for grant requests that may benefit the grant beneficiaries for at least one year.
5. $250 is the maximum grant that may be awarded to an organization within a 12 month time period for grant requests that may benefit or be consumed by the grant beneficiaries within one year.
6. The organization requesting a grant must be the ultimate beneficiary of the grant funds.
7. Projects with estimated expenditures in excess of $10,000 will not be considered until documentation is provided indicating that 75% of the project funding requirements have been raised and/or committed to the project.

Grant Requests that will not be considered include:

1. Grants to individuals.
2. Grants to "for profit" organizations.
3. Grants for religious materials or for religious organizations or churches.
4. Grants for any political purposes.
5. Grants for scholarships.
6. Grants for sponsorship of camps, tours and trips.
7. Grants made directly to school districts, except for school organizations.
8. Grants for advertising, marketing printing costs or printed materials.
9. Grants for training or seminars.
10. Grants for celebrations or entertainment.
11. Grants for presenters or speakers.
12. Grants for uniforms or clothing.
13. Grants for sporting equipment, such as catcher's gear, bats, balls, football pads, uniforms, etc…

Contact Information:
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GRANT APPLICATION

1. Name of Organization _____

2. Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

3. Contact Person _____ Title _____

4. Phone Number: Work _____ Home _____

5. Is your organization considered a non-profit organization? Yes _____ No _____

6. A copy of your financial statement(s) for the most recent full year and year-to-date should be provided. A sample form is attached to the application. Please do not send itemized, detailed expense reports such as check registers, accounting ledgers, or monthly reports.

7. What counties do you serve? Gage Jefferson Lancaster Saline Seward Thayer Other _____

8. Are there participants, members or recipients of your organization or project that receive electrical service from Norris Public Power District? If yes, explain. _____
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9. State the broad goal of your organization. _____
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10. What is the purpose of your request? Include specifics of how funds will be used. _____
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11. What is the total cost of your project? $ _____
(Projects over $10,000 have additional application requirements – see guidelines)

12. Project Status:
☐ Not Started
☐ Started but not Completed
☐ Completed

13. How much money do you request? $ _____ ($2,500.00 Maximum)
(A copy of a vendor bid for the amount requested must be included with this grant application.)

14. List other sources of funding for the request as described above. _____

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15. How are your programs measured for effectiveness? _____

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16. Please list two references:

Name _____ Phone _____

Title _____ Business _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Title _____ Business _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

The information contained in this statement is for the purpose of obtaining funding from the Norris Power Goodwill Fund on behalf of the undersigned. Each undersigned understands that the information provided herein is used in the decision to grant funding and each undersigned represents and warrants that the information provided is true and complete and that the Norris Power Goodwill Fund may consider this statement as continuing to be true and correct until a written notice of a change is provided. The Norris Power Goodwill Fund is authorized to make all inquiries they deem necessary to verify the accuracy of the statements made herein.

All grant applications must include the following items:

1. Completed application with contact information
2. Written or typed vendor bid or cost proposal on the project
3. Current financial statement

If you have any questions, please call Crystal Scholl at the Norris main office at 402-228-2832 or 1-800-858-4707.

_____ _____

Signature of Organization Representative Date

_____ _____

Signature of School Administrator, if applicable Date

2027
Board Meeting Dates and Application Deadlines

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
Application Deadline	January 1, 2027	April 2, 2027	July 2, 2027	October 1, 2027
Board Meeting Date	January 12, 2027	April 13, 2027	July 13, 2027	October 12, 2027

GOODWILL FUND - BUDGET FORM Name of Organization _____

Income Statement	Last Year	This Year
Income		
Sales		
Grants		
Donations		
Fees		
Fund Raisers		
Other Sources (please describe) _____		
Other Sources (please describe) _____		
Total Revenues		
Expenses		
Wages & Benefits		
Transportation		
Supplies		
Utilities		
Insurance		
Taxes		
Professional Services		
Interest Expense		
Other (please describe) _____		
Other (please describe) _____		
Total Expenses		
Net Income (Loss)		

Balance Sheet

General Cash Accounts		
Accounts Receivable		
Other Assets		
Land		
Buildings		
Equipment		
Total Assets		
Accounts Payable		
Notes Payable		
Other Liabilities		
Long-Term Debt		
Equity		
Total Liabilities & Equity		