

**Saluda Community Fund  
at the  
Polk County Community Foundation**

- 2010 -

The Saluda Community Fund celebrates Saluda! An anonymous donor established this competitive grant fund in 2006 to benefit Saluda organizations that are serving the residents of Saluda. The donor feels Saluda is “the most unique place on the planet; there is a sense in people of being where they belong.” The generous gift that established this visionary fund was made in honor of the donor’s family and in celebration of the citizens of Saluda.

The Saluda Community Fund is a permanent endowment fund so funds will be available in perpetuity to award grants to benefit the Saluda community. Any gifts to the Saluda Community Fund will increase the grant budget by increasing the size of the endowment. Anyone who wishes to support and celebrate community life in Saluda may make a gift to this fund at any time.

Which organizations may apply? Any organization that is located in Saluda and serves the residents of Saluda is eligible to apply. Saluda nonprofits, Saluda organizations supported by tax dollars, and other Saluda organizations engaged in charitable or civic projects to benefit Saluda residents are all welcome to apply. If your donors do not receive tax deductions for contributions to your organization, or your organization is a church, please contact our Grants Manager for details about eligibility.

What types of grants may be awarded? Grants may be awarded for (a) civic events in Saluda which are open to residents of Saluda and may be attended by others as well, (b) non-recurring expenses or capital projects like repairs to roofs, remodeling and the purchase of equipment which will last for some years (however, no more than one-half of the annual distribution should be awarded for the capital projects of any one organization), and (c) other special projects considered worthwhile by the Polk County Community Foundation.

Total grant funds available in 2010: \$11,000. All funds may be awarded in the first cycle. If funds remain after the first cycle, there will be a second grant cycle. Please inquire.

Questions? For additional information concerning this or other grant applications, or help with your unique situation, please contact our Grant Manager at the Polk County Community Foundation.

You may visit us at 255 South Trade Street, Tryon, NC or at [www.polkccf.org](http://www.polkccf.org); call 828-859-5314; or email: [grants@polkccf.org](mailto:grants@polkccf.org).

	Deadlines	Notification Dates
First Cycle	Tuesday, May 4, 2010  by 1:00 p.m.	By July 2, 2010
Second Cycle (Please call to ask if funds are available.)	Tuesday, August 31, 2010  by 1:00 p.m.	By November 19, 2010

## Saluda Community Fund

COVER SHEET (must be submitted in this form on one page):

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title of CEO/Executive Director/President/Board Chair/Principal:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person for this grant application (if different from above):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Role in the organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your tax identification number? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your nonprofit status? \_\_\_\_\_

*Enclose IRS 501(c)(3) letter (required) or explain your charitable status if not a 501(c)(3). (eg. Unit of Government)*

Is your organization more than five years old? \_\_\_\_\_

When does your fiscal year end? (eg. June 30) \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Grant Request: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Total Project Budget: \$\_\_\_\_\_

When will you use the grant funds? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your organization based in Saluda?      Yes                  No

Will this endeavor benefit the residents of Saluda?      Yes                  No

## II. ATTACHMENTS

A. On a separate sheet, please provide brief answers to each of the following questions. Please type or print clearly. Your answers may be used to publicize successful grants applications.

1. Summarize your organization's mission in two or three sentences.
2. What is your charitable endeavor?
3. Explain how this event or capital project will benefit the residents of Saluda.
4. Who will be involved in carrying out the plans outlined in this request? Include a brief summary of the qualifications of the key individual(s) involved.
5. If you receive a grant, how will you make other Saluda residents aware of your grant from the Saluda Community Fund at the Polk County Community Foundation?

B. Attach a detailed project budget on a separate sheet.

C. Required Financial Statement. A statement of your organization's actual income and expenses for your last complete fiscal year is required.

D. Optional Letters. Your application may be stronger if you include one or two letters of recommendation which explain why this grant would benefit the Saluda Community.

**I certify that the information contained in this proposal is true to the best of my knowledge and I have the authority to commit the organization to this project.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This must be signed by the person who is listed as the head of your organization on the cover sheet.

Please deliver applications to:

Polk County Community Foundation  
255 South Trade St.  
Tryon, NC 28782

Answer every question. Incomplete, incorrectly formatted, late, emailed or faxed applications shall not be considered. All application materials must be submitted together in one package. If you wish, you may schedule an appointment well in advance of the deadline with our Grant Manager. During your appointed time, you may ask the Grant Manager to certify that your application has been turned in on time and is complete.