



# 2020 GRANT DATES & DOLLARS

All applications are due on Tuesdays by 11:59 pm on the date indicated.

<b>Grant Programs</b> (Application to Use) <i>Brief Description - See grant guidelines &amp; applications for more detail</i>	<b>Application Deadline</b> <b>(Tuesday by 11:59 pm)</b>	<b>Funds Available</b>
<b>GENERAL INTEREST GRANTS</b>		
<b>Unrestricted Grants</b> (Long Form Application) <b>Projects that enhance the quality of life*</b> Additional Mary F. Kessler Fund Grants may be awarded through the Unrestricted Grants process for Tryon & Landrum projects that meet donor criteria. Saluda Community Fund Grants may be awarded for Saluda projects. Required Interviews: March 16-18 (1 <sup>st</sup> cycle), August 31-Sept. 2 (2 <sup>nd</sup> cycle) Grant Decisions Available: April 24 (1 <sup>st</sup> cycle), October 23 (2 <sup>nd</sup> cycle)	1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle: January 21 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle: June 9	\$100,000 per cycle, plus additional funds as available
<b>Bradley Breakthrough Community Benefits Grants</b> <b>Projects that benefit many generations to come</b> Interviews May be Required	Contact the Foundation for more information	
<b>Bradley Planning &amp; Studies for Breakthrough Benefits</b> <b>Long-range community enhancement planning/visioning for the future</b> Interviews May be Required	Contact the Foundation for more information	
<b>Student Intern Program</b> (Short Form Application + Supplement) <b>Funds for agencies to hire local high school students as interns</b> Grant Decisions Available: March 6	January 21	\$12,000

## AREA OF INTEREST GRANTS

<b>Culberson Agricultural Development</b> (Short Form Application) <b>Agricultural development projects</b> Grant Decisions Available: TBD	June 23	\$10,000
<b>Saluda Community Fund</b> (Long Form Application) <b>For organizations located in and serving Saluda</b> (Grants may be awarded through the Unrestricted grantmaking process above, which includes an interview. Please contact the Foundation for details) Grant Decisions Available: April 24 (1 <sup>st</sup> cycle), October 23 (2 <sup>nd</sup> cycle)	1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle: January 21 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle: June 9*	Over \$30,000

\*Asterisks indicate additional grant cycles only if funds remain after the first cycle(s). Please contact the Foundation regarding available funds.

The Foundation encourages applicants to visit, call, or email our Director of Grants at [grants@polkccf.org](mailto:grants@polkccf.org) to discuss projects, proposals, or any questions related to the grant process. We are happy to certify applications well in advance of deadlines.

Please note that the deadlines listed are the last possible dates to submit applications. You may set your own early deadline if the date posted is inconvenient. Appointments to certify complete applications are available to accommodate early submissions.

Organizations new to the Foundation should contact our Director of Grants regarding grant eligibility as a first step.

Grant applications and guidelines are available at the Foundation's office and online:  
[polkccf.org/grants/applications](http://polkccf.org/grants/applications)

**Grant Program** (Application to Use)*Brief Description - See grant guidelines & applications for more detail***Application Deadline**  
(Tuesday by 11:59 pm)**Funds Available****GRANTS FOR FREE EVENTS****Free Community Events** (Short Form Application)**Free gatherings in Polk County & Landrum**Grant Decisions Available: March 6 (1<sup>st</sup> cycle), October 23 (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)1<sup>st</sup> Cycle: January 212<sup>nd</sup> Cycle: June 23\*\$3,000-\$8,000  
Maximum  
(see application)**Kirby Civic Events** (Short Form Application)**Free civic events in the Tryon area**

Grant Decisions Available: October 23

June 23

\$4,000

**Kirby Harmon Field Fund** (Short Form Application)**Free activities for youth at Harmon Field**Grant Decisions Available: March 6 (1<sup>st</sup> cycle), October 23 (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)1<sup>st</sup> Cycle: January 212<sup>nd</sup> Cycle: June 23\*

\$5,000

**Kirby Rogers Park Fund** (Short Form Application)**Free events at Rogers Park**Grant Decisions Available: March 6 (1<sup>st</sup> cycle), October 23 (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)1<sup>st</sup> Cycle: January 212<sup>nd</sup> Cycle: June 23\*

\$7,000

**CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS & RESOURCES TO SUPPORT LOCAL NONPROFITS****Grantwriting for Public Safety Organizations** (Long Form Application)**To enhance public safety organizations' receipt of non-local grants**

Grant Decisions Available: October 23

June 23

\$5,000

**Organizational Strengthening & Board Planning** (Short Form Application)**Strategic Planning & Board Retreats for long-term success**

Interviews May Be Required: September, 2020 dates TBD

Grant Decisions Available: October 23

June 23

\$3,000-\$8,000  
Maximum  
(see application)**North Carolina Center for Nonprofits** (Contact the Foundation to apply)**For Center memberships for local 501(c)(3) organizations**

Rolling

\$500  
Maximum**SCHOLARSHIPS****2020 Scholarships for Adults** (Adult Scholarship Application)**For adults going back to school**

Scholarship Decisions Available: Before Fall, 2020 semester

May 12, 2020

\$1,000 Minimum  
per award**2021 Scholarships for High School Seniors**

(High School Scholarship Applications Available by September 1, 2020)

**For graduating high school seniors (Class of 2021)**

Scholarship Decisions Available: Spring, 2021

Fall, 2020  
Deadline TBD\$1,000 Minimum  
per award**AFS Study Abroad Scholarships for high school students**

(Contact the Foundation for information)

Contact the  
Foundation\$8,000 maximum for  
Full high school  
program**Duke TIP Summer Studies Scholarships for eligible students**

(Contact the Foundation for information)

Contact the  
FoundationFull cost of three-  
week camp is covered*\*Asterisks indicate additional grant cycles only if funds remain after the first cycle(s). Please contact the Foundation regarding available funds.*

For beneficiary organizations of non-competitive Kirby Endowment Funds, the 2020 deadlines are:  
February 4, March 24,  
June 23, and September 8.

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