

2022 **Changemaker grants**

The Greater Watertown Community Health Foundation's (GWCHF) vision is to create thriving communities where everyone enjoys optimal health and wellbeing. Our single greatest priority is creating health equity. Health equity means **every** resident of our community has the opportunity to enjoy optimal health and wellbeing.

What Creates Health and Wellbeing?

Health and wellbeing are created in the environments where we live, work, play and learn. Research shows healthy people enjoy access to the five Social Determinants of Health (www.countyhealthrankings.org/take-action-to-improve-health/what-works-for-health):

- Economic Stability
- Education Access and Quality
- Health Care Access and Quality
- Healthy Neighborhoods
- Social Connections

Purpose of Changemaker Grants

Our 2022 Changemaker Grants will support projects that promote the Social Determinants of Health.

Who Can Apply?

GWCHF provides grants to 501c3 non-profits and governmental agencies.

Grants are available to support communities served by the following school districts: Dodgegeland, Hustisford, Ixonia, Jefferson, Johnson Creek, Lake Mills, Waterloo and Watertown.

Grant Value

2022 Changemaker Grants will provide substantial funding for programs that create big change. GWCHF will consider smaller projects that will spark larger-scale initiatives.

Budget Timeline

Requests will be accepted on an ongoing basis through 2022 or until the 2022 Changemaker Grants budget of \$500,000 is met.

Criteria

Population Impacted:

Will this initiative impact a significant number of people who need it most?

Moving the Needle

- **Evidence:** Is this proposal supported by research demonstrating its effectiveness in improving health and/or the determinants of health?
- **Outcomes:** Is there a process in place to measure the project's impact?
- **Collaboration/Support:** Has the applicant garnered the support needed to be successful?
- **Action Plan and Timeline:** Do the proposed plans (action steps, timeline and budget) lend confidence that this project will measurably impact GWCHF's strategic goals?

Sustainability:

Will the impact of this grant continue beyond the 12- month grant cycle?

Qualifications:

Why is this organization the best qualified to lead this project?

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How to Apply

Step One:

Complete the 2022 Changemaker Grants Letter of Intent (LOI) online by clicking [here](#) or by visiting the Grants page of our website and clicking the "Online Grants Manager" button.

Step Two:

Foundation staff will notify each applicant of the status of their LOI within four weeks of receipt. For funding requests above \$25,000 the Foundation may request a meeting with the applicant to help better understand the proposal.

Step Three:

Organizations with an accepted LOI will be invited to complete an online application. An invitation to apply does not guarantee a grant award.

Applicants will be notified of their application status within four weeks of submission.

Final Report Requirement

Grantees will be required to complete a final report within 30 days of project end date.

Questions?

We welcome your questions. Contact Andi Merfeld, Community Engagement and Grants Coordinator at amerfeld@watertownhealth-foundation.com for more information.