# Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival Inc. Grant Making Guidelines August 7, 2020

<u>Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival Donation Guidelines</u> - Please review our mission, values, operating principles, and funding limitations as they appear on this page before considering which of our program areas applies to your organization.

<u>Mission</u> – Give back to the Village of Little Chute and Little Chute Community organizations. Investing the proceeds from The Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival in the Village of Little Chute to enhance the quality of life within the Village.

<u>Values</u> - In carrying out our mission and making choices about how to invest our grant making dollars, we are guided in our selection process by our results-based orientation and by several overarching values. The following values are our priorities; *park and rec amenities, village of Little Chute programs, school district endeavors and scholarships, civic groups, and non-profits.* 

#### **Board of Directors Operating Principals:**

- Seeks to increase meaningful access for Little Chute residents to quality programs, institutions, and resources, both public and private;
- Supports efforts that help Little Chute organizations build and preserve self-sufficiency;
- Encourages innovation and funds programs and organizations that provide high-quality services based on best practices in their field;
- Has an interest in supporting programs that serve vulnerable populations, in particular children and the less fortunate.

#### **Funding Limitations**

While we have limited funds available, if, after reviewing our guidelines and grants lists, you believe that your work and the results you can already document achieving are directly and measurably in line with the Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival's priorities, we want to know about what you are doing via a Letter of Inquiry submitted by mail to the Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival at 108 West Main Street, Little Chute, WI 54140.

#### **General Limitations**

- We do not make grants to individuals for any purpose other than Little Chute area school district scholarships.
- We prefer to grant requests from organizations and programs operated within the Village of Little Chute.
- We do not fund budget deficits
- Exceptions to this policy can be made through a unanimous vote from the board.

#### **Grant Submittal & Timeline**

Grant requests should be submitted no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>. Applicants are required to fill out the application form. If the application form is not submitted, your grant request will not be reviewed. Supplemental information and pictures are allowed. Grant requests can be submitted via mail to the Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival at 108 W Main Street, Little Chute, WI 54140.

If you are approved for a grant, you will have until September 1 of the following year to submit your proof of project completion and request your funds. If a grant extension is needed, a formal letter of request including the reasoning for your extension must be submitted to the committee by September 1 of the following year. The committee will allow for projects to be extended for up to 1 additional year if the committee deems it appropriate.

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## 2020 Application

Applicant Information
First and Last Name of Applicant:
Mailing Address:
City: Zip:
Phone Number: Email:
Organization Information
Organization Name:
Is your organization not for profit?: (Please circle one) YES NO
Street Address:
City:
Phone Number: Email:
Website:
Amount of Request \$
Payable to:
DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST
Describe your proposal in 250 words or less. (use additional page if necessary)
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