



Sparta

community foundationSM

The Sparta Community Foundation gives priority to projects that address the areas of arts & culture, community development, environment, health, human service, and social needs within the greater Sparta area.

The Foundation supports projects that:

- Encourage and promote community involvement
- Represent an innovative, start-up effort or are capital in nature (construction, renovation, equipment)
- Obtain the necessary additional funding to implement and maintain the project
- yield substantial community benefit
- Serve a broad segment of the Sparta community
- Promote cooperation among agencies (without duplicating services)
- Address quality of life issues
- Promote civic and community pride
- Strengthen or improve agency self sufficiency or efficiency
- Encourage additional and permanent funding or matching gifts from other donors

The Foundation does not support:

- Individuals
- Political projects, or those that are primarily cause-related
- Annual fund-raising drives
- Travel, tours, trips, or conferences
- Scholarly research or sabbatical leaves
- Ongoing operating expenses or debt reduction for established organizations
- Religious organizations for any religious purpose
- Profit-making activities
- Medical research
- Films, videos or television projects

Grant Schedule	
Application Due Date	Decision Finalized *
08/29/08	10/31/08

** Advisory Committee members will inform applicants of the final outcome after these dates. Please do not discuss pending applications with committee members prior to the decision being finalized.*

Questions?

Call Becky Cumings, Grant Committee Chair, at 887-8428.

Technical Questions, please call Amy Price at 616-454-1751.