



KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Board awards nine grants totaling nearly \$8,000 to children- and youth-led projects in the region

Northeast MN – The youth board members of the Northland Foundation’s KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Program awarded nine grants totaling \$7,952 during its spring 2019 round of grantmaking to support youth-driven projects across the region.

The 2018-2019 board included 15 high school students from Cloquet, Duluth, Ely, Hibbing, McGregor, Moose Lake, and Superior, WI, and four adult mentors. This was the third and final round for the year. Youth In Philanthropy receives key funding support from the Minnesota Power Foundation, Northland Foundation, and members of the Northland Foundation’s Emeritus Trustee Group.

“The young board members, guided by adult mentors, approach grantmaking with thoughtful consideration and heart. They weigh each proposal, ask tough questions, and ultimately vote to fund projects all over the region,” stated Tony Sertich, Northland Foundation’s President. “The skills they develop by participating in Youth In Philanthropy will serve them and their communities well into the future.”

The next deadline for children- and youth-driven projects to apply for funding is October 1, 2019. Learn more at www.northlandfdn.org/kids-plus/youth-programs.php.

Superior Middle School, Superior To support the youth-led Gay Straight Alliance Club.	\$500
North St. Louis County 4-H Federation, Virginia To provide opportunities for youth to learn lifelong leadership skills and support the County Ambassadors.	\$750
North St. Louis County 4-H Federation, Virginia To support the growth of the Sports and Wildlife program for youth in the Hibbing community.	\$1,000
Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota, Duluth To provide basic needs and hygiene supplies for homeless and at risk youth that visit the Teen Closet.	\$750
REACH Mentoring Program, Cloquet	\$1,000

To support the SOS Summit, at which students from Fond du Lac, Esko, Cloquet, Wrenshall, Carlton, and Moose Lake will share their service learning projects and meet new people.

Moose Lake Schools - ISD #097, Moose Lake **\$1,000**

To support the creation of an outdoor study area at the school for junior and high school students that includes seating, tables, plants, and decorative art sculptures.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota, Duluth **\$1,000**

To provide transportation support for residents of Another Door Shelter to help the youth complete their case management goals.

King School Girl's Youth Group, Talmoon **\$1,000**

To expand the youth-led YOUth Camp for all school-age children to include overnight stays at a local camp.

South St Louis County 4-H Federation, Duluth **\$952**

To support youth to plan and build a Rube Goldberg Gadget that can remove trash from lakes, rivers, and streams for sharing at the county fair.

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