



KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Board awards 13 grants totaling \$8,117

Grants support northeastern Minnesota projects that are planned and carried out by area children and youth

The youth board members of the Northland Foundation's KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Program have awarded more than \$8,000 in 13 grants during its fall round of grantmaking to support youth-driven projects across the region. The board is made up of 15 high school students from Cloquet, Duluth, Ely, Hibbing, McGregor, Moose Lake, and Superior, WI, and four adult mentors.

Youth In Philanthropy receives key funding support from the Minnesota Power Foundation, the Northland Foundation, and others. The remaining two rounds of grants have **application deadlines of January 1 and April 1, 2019**. Learn more at www.northlandfdn.org/kids-plus/youth-programs.php.

The 13 grants awarded in October 2018 are as follows.

REACH Mentoring Program, Cloquet - \$1,000

To expand the SOS (Students Offering Support) Team to students in Wrenshall and provide opportunities to raise suicide awareness, support peers, and share coping skills.

Superior High School, Superior - \$1,000

In support of high school CSI Biology and Chemistry students developing and implementing an outdoor science activity at the Superior School Forest for area 5th graders.

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Northland, Duluth - \$798

To provide club members with access to clean clothes, personal hygiene items, and necessities.

Robert J. Elkington Middle School, Grand Rapids - \$429

To support a project that provides a medical scooter to help injured students move safely around school.

Queen of Peace School, Cloquet - \$700

To support raised garden beds, designed and built by students, with which students will plant, maintain, and harvest fruits and vegetables.

Cooperation Station Daycare, Grand Marais - \$1,000

To support the creation of a playhouse that will be used by children 0-5 years of age.

Northeast Range School - ISD #2142, Babbitt - \$400

To create a space for students to film projects, produce videos, and create newscast content.

Northeast Range School - ISD #2142, Babbitt - \$240

To support the design and construction of a custom retro arcade cabinet that can be programmed by the youth center.

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Ely Knight Hawks 4-H Club, Ely - \$450

To promote the local 4-H program by hosting a puzzle derby, planned and implemented by youth, so that people of all ages can gather and have fun together.

Laura MacArthur Elementary School - ISD #709, Duluth - \$500

To support the FIRST Lego Robotics team at Laura MacArthur Elementary through the planning and implementation stage of competition.

North St. Louis County 4-H Federation, Virginia - \$300

To provide needed supplies that will strengthen the local Rabbit Bowl Team and its ability to compete with other clubs around the state.

Superior High School, Superior - \$300

To support the Pledgemakers through their special activities that show kids that you can have fun on a Friday night without drugs or alcohol. Pledgemakers are students who commit to a drug- and alcohol-free high school career.

Duluth East Daredevils Robotics Team, Duluth - \$1,000

To support the East High School FIRST Robotics team through planned community events for younger kids. These events promote STEM learning while sharing their love for robotics.

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