



## The Community Foundation for the Greater Capital Region's Community Impact Grants

### FUNDING PRIORITIES

The Foundation manages several funds that allow discretion to make grants that fund innovative, creative projects and programs that are responsive to changing community needs. These funds, our "Community Impact Funds," are either Discretionary Funds, which allow the Foundation the flexibility to use its extensive knowledge of community issues and organizations to make grants that address emerging issues; or Field of Interest Funds, which give the Foundation grantmaking discretion within given areas of interest. With these Community Impact Funds, the Foundation utilizes the expertise of its staff and Board of Directors to identify opportunities to make grants that will have the most impact in the community.

Due to restrictions placed on some of our funds by our donors, preference may be given to organizations and/or programs that address the following issues:

- **Disabilities:** Organizations/programs that serve the needs of the mentally and/or physically disabled, including those with hearing and sight impairments.
- **Classical Music:** Organizations/programs that benefit the field of classical music. This may include, but is not limited to, classical music performance, teaching and the commissioning of new works.
- **Programs that benefit the residents of Amsterdam, NY:** Organizations/programs that focus on the provision of services to the residents of Amsterdam, NY.

**Capacity Building Grant Initiative:** The Community Foundation offers small, flexible grants to support organizational capacity building. Capacity building efforts include projects designed to generate new strategies to improve an organization's ability to serve the community, more effectively carry out its mission and plan for the future. The maximum award for a Capacity Building Grant is \$2,500.

***\*\*Please note: each calendar year, organizations are eligible to apply for Community Foundation Impact grants OR Community Foundation Capacity Building grants. Organizations will not be awarded Impact and Capacity Building grants in the same year.\*\****

### GRANT SIZE & DURATION

Community Foundation Impact Grants usually range from \$1,000 to \$15,000 (\$2,500 maximum for capacity building grants). Grant period will not exceed one year.

### SCHEDULE

Pre- Application Questionnaires Due:	Applications Due:	Decisions Will Be Made:
February 23, 2017	April 2017*	August 2017

\*Specific due date will be indicated on the formal application