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[Hancock, MI] The Portage Health Foundation's mission is to support the charitable health needs of the community through enhanced philanthropy and community collaboration. The Portage Health Foundation's five pillars of emphasis guides meaningful investment in projects, programs, and services that meet the needs of the community and align with our mission of improving the health of residents in Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw and Ontonagon counties.

The intention of these grants is to support projects that will have an impact on community health and wellness while addressing the systemic health needs and risk factors of the broader community. Further, it is hoped and desired that proposals seeking funding will have identified key components to support sustainability and/or systems change to ensure ongoing delivery of services to meet community need. After much consideration, planning, and consultation with regional municipal leaders, the PHF Board of Directors has concluded to <u>release funds over the next three years</u> to support projects that will improve our recreational resources.

February 5, 2018 3:30p ET	Letter of Inquiry (LOI) Due*
March 16 , 2018 3:30pm ET	Applications Due
April 6, 2018	Grant Awards to be announced

The Portage Health Foundation expects to award up to \$100,000.00 towards successful proposals under this round of funding. There is no minimum grant amount and the maximum amount awarded under this RFP will be \$25,000.00.

Although not required, Portage Health Foundation strongly encourages all interested applicants to submit a <u>Letter of Inquiry</u> (LOI) prior to submitting a grant application. An LOI helps promote a clear understanding, collaboration, and project outcomes between PHF and grant applicants.

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