



Valley County Masonic Endowment Program Guidelines

The Valley County Masonic Endowment at the Montana Community Foundation was established by the Nemont Manor Foundation, Inc. The Valley County Masonic Endowment Fund is funded through a \$1.25 million gift from the Nemont Manor Foundation, Inc, from the sale of the Nemont Manor, an affordable housing facility in Glasgow, Grants from the fund will support charitable organizations making a positive impact in Valley County.

Requirements:

Applicants must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or government entity, such as a local government, tribal government, or school district. Individuals and for-profits are ineligible; however, individuals and for-profits may apply through a fiscal sponsor that is eligible. Applicants do not need to be based in Valley County, however, grants must be used for projects benefiting communities in Valley County.

Grant Amounts:

Grants will be up to \$5,000.

Eligible Projects:

Eligible projects must fall within the following funding areas, which are listed in no particular order:

- Arts and culture
- Basic human needs
- Economic development
- Education
- Natural resources and conservation

Ineligible Projects:

- Annual or capital campaigns
- Endowments
- Debt retirements
- Religious, partisan, or sectarian activities
- One-time events, such as celebrations or social gatherings, that are not part of longer-term economic and community development goals

Application Process & Deadline:

The Valley County Masonic Endowment has one application cycle each year. In 2025, the application cycle is March 1-31 with a deadline on **Monday, March 31 at 11:59 p.m.**

Only online applications will be accepted and can be accessed here: <https://mtcf.org/grants/apply-for-a-grant>.

All applications are reviewed by the Valley County Masonic Endowment Advisory Committee, which is made up of a diverse group of members of the Nemont Manor Foundation. The Montana Community Foundation will notify you of the Valley County Masonic Endowment Advisory Committee's decision as soon as possible. The Montana Community Foundation cannot guarantee that every proposal will be funded, or that an applicant will receive the full amount requested.

Reporting:

A project report will be due within one year of receiving funds. Project reports must be received before additional grants are made.

For questions about the fund or application please contact Taylor Cowl at (406) 603-4913 or taylor@mtcf.org.