

# Community Partnership Grant

#### **Our Mission**

The Sons of Norway Foundation is dedicated to funding activities that preserve and promote Norwegian heritage, positively affect members, and make Sons of Norway communities a more vibrant place to live.

## **Grant Background**

The Community Partnership Grant is funded through the Heritage and Culture Fund which was established in 1987. This fund was initially supported by Her Majesty Queen Sonja of Norway who lent her name to an early fund-raising effort. The Crown Princess Sonja pendant was issued in sterling silver and gold and was awarded to individuals or lodges who support this fund according to certain specifications. The number of grants awarded from this fund have increased through the years due to the continued support of our generous members and friends.

## **Eligible Applicants**

This grant is open to individuals or groups from Norway and the United States who wish to share their Norwegian heritage and culture through the project for which they apply for funding.

## **Eligible Projects**

Projects that promote and preserve the culture and heritage of Norway are eligible. Examples of previously funded projects are cultural classes or presentations, documentation of local cultural history, hosting of visiting performing groups, etc.

Applications must be for programs or projects that take place between January 2019 – March 2020.

### **Maximum Award**

The maximum award is \$1,000.

### **Applications**

All applications for Community Partnership Grant must be written in English and be submitted online at our website, www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation/grants.

Each application must include:

- a narrative statement of 500 words or less that summarizes the importance of the project,
- a completed budget that states the exact dollar amount requested,
- the contact information of the person making the request,
- the payable information including an address to send payment if an award is granted.

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### **Award Selection**

Winners are selected through a review committee appointed by the Sons of Norway Foundation. Award decisions are based upon observance of one or more of the Sons of Norway Foundation's core values and how the proposed program or project will promote Norwegian culture. The Foundation's core values are: (1) building the heritage of the future; (2) sustaining the link to contemporary Norway; (3) committing to life-long learning and service; (4) preserving compassion for those in need; (5) funding innovative individuals and opportunities and (6) Fostering a cohesive community of generosity.

#### **Grant timeline**

To be considered for the 2019 grant season, all Community Partnership Grant applications must be submitted online by December 15, 2018.

Notifications of awards will be made in March of 2019.

Payment to award recipients will be made in late March or early April of 2019.

### **Award Notification and Payment**

Notification of a grant award will come via e-mail to the individual who applied for the grant.

Payment for the grant will be mailed to the address provided on the application. Incomplete information in this section of the application may result in a delayed award. In the occurrence that a recipient does not respond to the request for payment address within 4 weeks the award may be forfeited.

## **Recipient Requirements**

The Sons of Norway Foundation requires that a simple report be completed so we may gather information regarding the effectiveness of our grant program. This report is available at www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation and will also be attached to an award notification e-mail.

Eligibility for future grants may be affected if a report is not submitted.

### **Questions**

Questions may be directed to the Foundation at grants@sofn.com.

Thank you for your interest in applying for a Sons of Norway Foundation grant.

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