

# Criteria & Application Procedures

The Sample Foundation makes grants to tax-exempt organizations in the areas of **Health:** Proposals specifically directed toward the physical or mental health of those economically challenged; **Social Welfare:** Activities benefiting disadvantaged or vulnerable individuals and populations impacted by poverty, lack of access to services, unemployment and other contributing factors; **Capital Expenses:** These are NOT day-to-day operating costs. They are funds used to buy assets that have a useful life of more than one year. In addition to buildings, examples of capital purchases include office equipment and furniture, computers, vehicles necessary for delivery of services, medical equipment and HVAC systems.

**The Foundation does not fund operating expenses** (such as rent or mortgage payments, payroll, utilities, administrative salaries, membership dues, subscriptions, accounting, legal services, insurance, office supplies, printing, mailing, advertising and promotion), scholarships, duplication of services, the arts, and organizations that attempt to influence legislation or intervene in any political campaign, or religious groups that proselytize by providing printed material, signage and programs that advocate a religious belief or require participation in religious activities.

Applications will be accepted when submitted online using the formal application form at **[www.samplefoundation.org](http://www.samplefoundation.org)**.

We encourage applicants to seek co-funding as this shows both effort and local commitment to the process.

Applications must include a letter signed by the chief executive officer and the president of the board, a budget for the specific project, a balance sheet of assets and liabilities, and a list of board members. The Foundation requires all applicants to have a current 501C(3) status as described by the IRS code and a current 990 form available for review.

**We encourage potential donors to contact our foundation staff early in the process to ensure that a potential proposal meets our criteria.**

Applications are reviewed once a year.

**The application deadline is August 1st.**

Late applications will not be accepted.



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## 2019 Report

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# The Sample Foundation

The Sample Foundation, Inc., was incorporated on November 1, 1954, in Collier County, Florida, as a tax-exempt private foundation as defined in Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Sample Foundation was established by John Glen Sample and Helen S. Sample to promote broad philanthropic objectives through grants and investments in the areas of health, social welfare, and services to the disadvantaged.

With the deaths of the founders, the principal office of the Foundation was relocated in 1977 to Billings, Montana, where it continues to operate under the direction of members of the Sample family.

Generally, grants are limited to the areas within the state of Montana and Collier County, Florida.

## Directors

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## 2019 Contributions

Absarokee Lending Library, <i>Absarokee</i> .....	\$10,000	Lake County Community Housing Organization, <i>Ronan</i> .....	\$8,500
AJGA Leadership Links, <i>Braselton, GA</i> .....	\$100	Mission Mountain Enterprises, <i>Ronan</i> .....	\$6,947
Alternative Vision Training, <i>Great Falls</i> .....	\$5,644	Mission Valley Aquatic Center,* <i>Polson</i> .....	\$1,000
Angela's Piazza,* <i>Billings</i> .....	\$3,500	Missoula Aging Services,* <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$3,500
Barrett Hospital Foundation, Inc., <i>Dillon</i> .....	\$10,000	Montana Nonprofit Association, <i>Helena</i> .....	\$8,400
Befrienders, <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$6,000	Montana School for the Deaf and Blind Foundation, <i>Great Falls</i> .....	\$11,980
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Park County, <i>Livingston</i> .....	\$6,000	MTPBS, <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$3,000
Big Sky Senior Services, <i>Billings</i> .....	\$4,820	Naples Hospital, <i>Naples, FL</i> .....	\$1,000
Billings Public Library Foundation, <i>Billings</i> .....	\$5,000	One Montana, <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$6,000
Billings Symphony, <i>Billings</i> .....	\$2,000	Orchard School Playground and Maintenance Program for 2019-2020, <i>Billings</i> .....	\$15,000
Blue Mountain Clinic,* <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$5,991	Outdoors for All,* <i>Seattle, WA</i> .....	\$3,000
Boys and Girls Club of Yellowstone, <i>Billings</i> .....	\$15,000	Pioneer Medical Center, <i>Big Timber</i> .....	\$10,000
Boys and Girls Club of Flathead, <i>Ronan</i> .....	\$2,000	Powder River First Responders, <i>Powder River</i> .....	\$1,400
Boys & Girls Club of Richland County, <i>Sidney</i> .....	\$7,300	Rape Crisis Center,* <i>Madison, WI</i> .....	\$500
Camp Sunshine, <i>Decatur, GA</i> .....	\$1,000	Reach Inc., <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$4,074
CASA of Lake County, <i>Polson</i> .....	\$3,000	Rocky Mountain College,* <i>Billings</i> .....	\$3,500
Child Bridge, <i>Great Falls</i> .....	\$5,000	Ronald McDonald House of Charities, <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$3,000
Child Care Connections Inc., <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$9,000	SAFE Harbor,* <i>Ronan</i> .....	\$14,000
Children's Oncology Camp Foundation, d.b.a. Camp Mak-A-Dream,* <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$7,500	St. Joseph Hospital,* <i>Polson</i> .....	\$3,000
Collier Child Care Resources Inc., <i>Naples, FL</i> .....	\$10,000	Sky Valley Arts Council,* <i>Sultan, WA</i> .....	\$3,000
Eagle Mount,* <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$1,000	Sparrow's Nest of NW MT, <i>Kalispell</i> .....	\$2,375
Easter Seals of Washington,* <i>Index, WA</i> .....	\$3,000	The Livingston Food Pantry of Park County, <i>Livingston</i> .....	\$10,000
Eastern Montana CASA GAL Inc., <i>Miles City</i> .....	\$13,000	The Nurturing Center, <i>Kalispell</i> .....	\$8,294
Emma's House,* <i>Hamilton</i> .....	\$1,000	The Poverello Center, <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$5,500
EmpowerMT, <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$3,000	Toole County Health Foundation, <i>Shelby</i> .....	\$4,500
Family Outreach,* <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$1,500	Town of Superior, <i>Superior</i> .....	\$2,500
Family Service, Inc.,* <i>Billings</i> .....	\$6,000	Trevor Day School,* <i>New York, NY</i> .....	\$800
Foundation for Missoula Public Library,* <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$1,000	United Way of Collier, <i>Naples, FL</i> .....	\$1,000
Fountain Valley School,* <i>Colorado Springs, CO</i> .....	\$2,500	University of Montana Excellence Fund,* <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$1,500
Friends of Heybrook Ridge,* <i>Index, WA</i> .....	\$3,000	University of Montana Foundation, <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$8,444
Fun Time Academy,* <i>Naples, FL</i> .....	\$10,000	Violence Free Crisis Line, <i>Kalispell</i> .....	\$10,000
Garden City Harvest, <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$5,000	Watson Children's Shelter,* <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$6,000
Garnet Preservation Association,* <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$1,000	Wild and Scenic Institute,* <i>Mountlake Terrace, WA</i> .....	\$3,000
Gold Bar Firefighter Association,* <i>Gold Bar, WA</i> .....	\$3,000	Yaak Valley Forest Council, <i>Troy</i> .....	\$7,349
Great Falls Scottish Rite Language Disorders Clinic, <i>Great Falls</i> .....	\$1,540	Yellowstone Forever,* <i>Gardiner</i> .....	\$2,000
Guadalupe Center, Inc., <i>Immokalee, FL</i> .....	\$9,345	Yellowstone Public Radio,* <i>Billings</i> .....	\$2,000
Habitat for Humanity of Missoula, <i>Missoula</i> .....	\$10,000	Yellowstone River Parks Assoc.,* <i>Billings</i> .....	\$5,000
HAVEN, <i>Bozeman</i> .....	\$5,400	Young Women's Christian Association of Billings (YWCA Billings), <i>Billings</i> .....	\$11,200
Hofstra University,* <i>Hempstead, NY</i> .....	\$100	YWCA,* <i>Madison, WI</i> .....	\$500
Holy Rosary Healthcare Foundation, <i>Miles City</i> .....	\$10,000		
Immanuel Lutheran Communities, <i>Kalispell</i> .....	\$15,000		

**TOTAL 2019 GRANTS ..... \$427,003**

\*We set aside a portion of our grant-making each year for some Directors to give in a discretionary way. These grants may fall outside of our mission.