Community Dividend Fund Investment Criteria

Sanford Health invests substantially in initiatives that promote better health for all in the communities we serve. Nonprofits helping to serve a community health need can receive financial support through our Community Dividend Fund. We prioritize funding requests that support demonstrated community health needs, especially for our community investments of more than $20,000. We have established the following criteria to guide these decisions.

The following categories and criteria are maintained through analysis of:

- The triennial Community Health Needs Assessment programs conducted by Sanford in partnership with city leadership and community partners.
- Alignment with Sanford’s strategic priorities and operations.
- Special circumstances that arise, such as critical needs for workforce recruitment or other community-based priorities.

Funding requests that support a special or underserved population are given priority, including:

- Rural communities
- Socioeconomically disadvantaged people
- Children
- Seniors
- Native Americans
- Veterans

Funding requests for $20,000 or less should align with the following categories:

- Athletic program support
- Community health improvement
- Economic development
- Education or workforce development
- Military and veterans services
- Scholarship endowment

Apply online at www.sanfordhealth.org/communityfund or contact Community Relations at sanfordcr@sanfordhealth.org.

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