



# COMMUNICARE GRANT APPLICATION

CommuniCare student groups will be evaluating multiple nonprofits and may not be able to provide the funds requested by every nonprofit that applies.

Nonprofits being considered will be contacted by students between February and March to arrange a visit to your facility or to schedule an interview with your organization at their school. Students will make their final decision by Friday, April 24, 2020 and will notify you of their decision by mail/email shortly thereafter. Selected grantees are required to attend the annual Grant Awards Ceremony in May.

Thank you for all that you do to make a difference within our community.

## GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURE

To be considered for a CommuniCare grant, your application must contain:

1. A cover letter that includes:
  - a. A brief statement of the organization's mission and history
  - b. A brief list of accomplishments your nonprofit has achieved and a description of how your staff/volunteers contribute to your mission
  - c. A description of your project/program needs or a description of your general operating support needs
  - d. A brief description of the outcomes you expect from this project/program/service and who it serves (identify age, geographic area, number of people and any other pertinent demographic information)
  - e. A dollar amount requested
  - f. A maximum length of 750 words and three images
2. A completed *Application Form* (see following pages)
3. A 501(c)(3) IRS determination letter verifying the tax-exempt status of the organization

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 13, 2020**

# 2019-2020 COMMUNICARE STUDENT MISSION STATEMENTS

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Please read the mission statements below and select any/all that align with your organization's work.

- MISSION STATEMENT 1:** The students at XXXXXXXX will be granting money to organizations who provide access to healthy food choices in Multnomah County. We believe all people should have access to healthy and unprocessed food, especially produce. We will focus on organizations who are working to build better local food options and access to healthy groceries. We would like to see healthy and affordable food available to all Portland residents and in all neighborhoods!
- MISSION STATEMENT 2:** We the CommuniCare students at XXXXXXXX will be granting money to organizations that provide mental health or homeless services within our community. It is our belief that we should support those within our community who suffer from these issues through community service and the grant-making process. We will focus on organizations that strive to help those who struggle with these issues, no matter the level of struggle. We would like to see a positive change in the overall morale within our community and a decrease in the number of those suffering from mental health issues and homelessness within Clatsop County.
- MISSION STATEMENT 3:** The CommuniCare Advanced Leadership Class at XXXXXXXX will be granting money to organizations that serve students in Portland and have a passion for environmental education and mental health. We will focus on organizations that provide enrichment for middle and high school youth and we will prioritize programs that benefit the mental health of participants by building confidence and creating access to outdoor opportunities. We would like to see Portland become a place where students in 6-12th grade feel like they are getting the proper environmental education they need and the mental health support they deserve.
- MISSION STATEMENT 4:** The XXXXXXXX CommuniCare Club aims to partner with nonprofits in the Portland Metro Area that focus on wildlife or natural area preservation. Our goal is to protect wild plants and animals living in the Portland area by conserving, establishing, and cleaning natural spaces. We believe this is important in order to preserve biodiversity, create clean ecosystems that are healthy and thriving, as well as bring educational and recreational experiences in nature to everyone in the greater Portland area.
- MISSION STATEMENT 5:** The students of XXXXXXXX are dedicated to meeting the needs of low income and homeless children and families in the Portland Metropolitan Area. Our fundraising efforts will generate resources to fund education and medical care for those in need. We would like to specifically focus our efforts on support for mental health, addiction recovery, and ending domestic/sexual violence.
- MISSION STATEMENT 6:** The students at XXXXXXXX have chosen to support the families of refugees and immigrants in the Portland Metro Area. We will focus on nonprofits who provide access to healthcare and affordable housing opportunities for these historically marginalized communities. Through our partnership with CommuniCare and our fundraising goals, we will strive to support nonprofits whose missions to improve the lives of refugee and immigrant families align with ours.
- MISSION STATEMENT 7:** The XXXXXXXX CommuniCare team aims to support people impacted by food insecurity by contributing to food waste management programs and sustainable farming projects.

- MISSION STATEMENT 8:** The CommuniCare students at XXXXXXXX recognize the environmental impacts of homelessness in SE Portland. As a result, we will be granting money to nonprofits that focus on providing services to homeless young adults (ages 13-24) in SE Portland who are battling with mental health issues. We believe that by supporting these nonprofits, we can keep SE Portland clean and safe while building a better community. We would like to see homeless young adults receive the services they deserve, in hopes that this will also support a more maintained environment with less trash in our urban parks and streets.
- MISSION STATEMENT 9:** The Business Management & Philanthropy Group 1 students at XXXXXXXX will be granting money to organizations focused on providing services to combat the climate crisis in the greater Portland area. We believe that generating awareness of climate change in our city will spread consciousness of this ongoing issue around the world. We will focus on organizations that offer to confront the climate crisis and its ongoing effect on our environment. We would like to see a more prosperous Pacific Northwest ecosystem, increased dependence on renewable energy, and awareness of the climate crisis in our community.
- MISSION STATEMENT 10:** The Business Management & Philanthropy Group 2 students at XXXXXXXX are dedicated to improving the quality of life for future generations of Oregonians. To serve this long-term goal, we will be supporting organizations that promote environmental stewardship and access to healthcare. We will be prioritizing organizations that work to reduce negative environmental waste such as plastics, toxins, carbon emissions, and food waste through direct action and that educate about sustainable alternatives. We will also be prioritizing Portland-area organizations that provide free healthcare services in our community and educate people to promote lifelong health. We believe both are fundamental to the kind of future that everyone deserves.
- MISSION STATEMENT 11:** Students at XXXXXXXX have chosen to support the population of veterans in Washington and Multnomah counties. Our group will be focusing on organizations that aid local veterans and their families, specifically those that help veterans suffering from PTSD and other mental health issues. As a group, we feel this issue across Oregon is underrepresented and we believe that all members of our state's population deserve equal attention and assistance. Our goal is to spread awareness about PTSD throughout Oregon, gain support for veterans, and reduce the stigma surrounding PTSD within the veteran community.
- MISSION STATEMENT 12:** The CommuniCare Club of XXXXXXXX will be investing in nonprofit organizations that support environmental stewardship and climate justice. We are interested in programs that protect natural resources, promote sustainability, support the reduction of fossil fuels, and provide aid to marginalized communities disproportionately affected by environmental issues. We will be prioritizing organizations in Northwest Oregon.
- MISSION STATEMENT 13:** The CommuniCare students of XXXXXXXX will grant money to youth programs, pet shelters, and the arts which will also include aesthetic improvement of the environment. We have chosen youth program services to increase student safety and to promote mental health, pet shelters in order to prevent and/or alleviate their overpopulation and to promote their adoption, and the arts for the exercise of our most human capacities. Ultimately, we hope our efforts will contribute to the development of our future citizens in the Greater Hermiston area and thereby our nation since a democracy is only as good as its people, create a safer and more sanitary environment for the animal population and ultimately for us, and plant the seeds of the locality's cultural growth, mindful of aesthetics' psychological effect on the citizenry.
- MISSION STATEMENT 14:** We, the CommuniCare Club at XXXXXXXX, intend to grant money to nonprofit organizations that provide access to medical care and resources for survivors of domestic and sexual violence. We will focus on organizations that advocate, educate, and support survivors of all ages that reside in the Portland Metro Area. We see the importance of immediate access to resources and aim to help individuals find hope and prosperity on their recovery journey.
- MISSION STATEMENT 15:** The CommuniCare students at XXXXXXXX will be granting money to organizations dedicated to protecting the environment and maintaining the biodiversity in Multnomah and Clackamas counties. We are aware of the grave dangers that face the environment today and believe that people must actively work to create change in the actions of society in order to improve the well-being

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of Earth's ecosystems. We will primarily focus on organizations committed to the conservation and preservation of the environment. Overall, we would like to improve the condition of our planet and raise awareness of the issues that the climate currently faces.

- MISSION STATEMENT 16:** The students of XXXXXXXX are deeply concerned about the homeless and their mental health, as well as trash in the Portland Metropolitan Area. We believe the primary source, homelessness, ties into both the trash and mental health issues. We will be granting money to local nonprofits that support homelessness and mental health, as well as other organizations that help clean up trash. Our goal is to see a direct decrease in homelessness on the streets and less trash in the streets. By decreasing the homelessness, we hope to see their mental health improve.
- MISSION STATEMENT 17:** Earth's rapidly changing climate is bringing immense change to the environment and human society. This change has brought about species extinction, human suffering, and mass refugee migration. For example, along with many other places, Pacific Islands are starting to sink at a rapid pace and Central America is experiencing droughts. Climate refugees from places like these are predicted to need a haven within the next 100 years. The Peace and Justice Club at XXXXXXXX wants to fund organizations working to reduce fossil fuel emissions, and we want to fund refugee resettlement organizations that help Portland become a haven for these climate refugees.
- MISSION STATEMENT 18:** The Intro to Business Students at XXXXXXXX will be granting money to organizations who focus on supporting youth and young adults who are survivors of domestic abuse. We believe everyone deserves to live without fear in their own home. We will focus on organizations in NW Oregon (The following counties: Clatsop, Tillamook, Columbia, Washington, Multnomah, Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Jefferson, Linn, Benton, Lincoln, Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Clackamas) that provide direct services such as legal support, access to counseling, food, shelter, clothing, and financial support if needed. We hope to see a decrease in the amount of people who are experiencing the trauma of toxic relationships.
- MISSION STATEMENT 19:** XXXXXXXX CommuniCare Chapter will be focusing our efforts towards addressing the following: mental health, substance abuse, education, environmental degradation stemming from climate change, and equal opportunities for all ages, genders, and identities. We will address these areas of concern with both financial stewardship and our own industriousness. We are dedicated to supporting community efforts to combat these challenges facing our generation.
- MISSION STATEMENT 20:** XXXXXXXX CommuniCare Council 1 has decided to take part in supporting the cleanup and legal preservation of natural spaces in the greater Portland area. Specifically, we want to support the cleanup of the Willamette River, the preservation of local parks, and the removal of invasive species. Additionally, we endorse the regulation of fossil fuels and the restriction of land use. We believe that both conservation and legal support are integral in the preservation of our natural spaces.
- MISSION STATEMENT 21:** XXXXXXXX CommuniCare Council 2 has chosen to raise funds for non-profit organizations that advocate for the widespread use of renewable energy and fight for environmental justice on a statewide and local (Portland) level. We would like to see a long-term improvement of water and air quality in Oregon by promoting efficient energy usage.
- MISSION STATEMENT 22:** XXXXXXXX is looking to support local organizations that focus on teen mental health, social equity, and access to resources in the Portland Metro Area. We are specifically interested in supporting teen homelessness, youth advocacy, and non-violent activism. We will prioritize smaller grassroots nonprofits located in East Portland.
- MISSION STATEMENT 23:** The CommuniCare Club at XXXXXXXX has chosen to support access to the arts and the environment. Our goal is that our funds will increase participation in the arts and raise awareness and advocate for environmental stewardship. We will be prioritizing nonprofit organizations in Eastern Oregon, with a focus on Umatilla County.

- MISSION STATEMENT 24:** The CommuniCare students in the XXXXXXXX Theatre Department will be granting money to organizations in North Portland. We believe there should be more accessible opportunities for youth of all demographics to engage in the arts. We will focus on organizations that strive to create spaces in which youth in our community feel safe and welcomed. We would like to see more students in our community feel empowered by the arts and feel comfortable to express themselves.
- MISSION STATEMENT 25:** The XXXXXXXX CommuniCare Leaders are looking to support non-profits that work to reduce poverty and improve education, with an emphasis on mental health and affordable housing. We will be prioritizing nonprofits who serve children and young adults in Clatsop County.
- MISSION STATEMENT 26:** In partnership with CommuniCare, students at XXXXXXXX are seeking to grant money to nonprofit organizations that provide emergency shelter, supplies, and counseling to individuals and families in crisis in Marion County, Oregon.
- MISSION STATEMENT 27:** The CommuniCare chapter at XXXXXXXX seeks to provide accessible programs for youth experiencing houselessness, specifically ages 12-24, in the Portland Metro Area by granting money to various nonprofit organizations. Due to the prevalence of houseless youth in downtown Portland, we feel a desire as well as a responsibility to help provide opportunities for youth that encourage academic and personal growth. We intend to concentrate on accessible education, LGBTQ+ support, mental health services, and addiction resources. We recognize that while there is an abundance of houseless support organizations in Portland, the issue is in accessing these services. We will offer grants to nonprofits that provide easily accessible resources for one of the most vulnerable communities in our city. In the spirit of intersectionality, we expect that all organizations promote diversity and equity, respect all forms of self-expression and identity, and maintain environmental consciousness. The houseless crisis in Portland is a serious issue, and although we acknowledge that change will not come easily, we aim to support a resource that fosters unequivocal empathy, hospitality, and support for youth facing the struggle of houselessness.
- MISSION STATEMENT 28:** The students of XXXXXXXX CommuniCare Club will be granting money to organizations in the Portland Metro Area fighting to provide support to ensure a safe and secure transition for young adults out of the foster system, to prevent them from becoming homeless, and to help those who are. We believe that foster children are not getting the care they need and are not provided with a safe plan when leaving the system. We want to aid organizations that are working to protect foster children and to eliminate the obstacles that foster adults face when out of the foster system by providing support and necessary supplies. Statistically and historically, foster children have a low chance at a successful future with a secure home and an education. Overall, we would like to support organizations ensuring foster youth have a chance at a better future.
- MISSION STATEMENT 29:** The students of XXXXXXXX CommuniCare have chosen to grant our funds to three areas of service in our Clatsop County community: mental health and addiction support, affordable access to medical care, and environmental advocacy. As students, we believe it is a necessary right for all members of our community to have appropriate mental health and addiction resources available for people of all demographics. Likewise, we believe it is crucial that a community offers affordable medical care to those who are in need of it. Finally, our group would like to support the global effort of reducing human impact on our environment for the future of our planet. It is our hope that by donating our funds to organizations that support our mission statement; we will be improving the sustainability, quality of life, and nourishment of the members in our community.
- MISSION STATEMENT 30:** We, the students of XXXXXXXX, will support efforts to fight climate change and achieve climate justice in the Multnomah County Area. We chose this fight to protect our earth and prevent future generations from facing the same situation we have. Our priority is to support direct service organizations, followed by advocacy organizations, whose missions align with our own - to educate our community on love of nature, establish increased and improved renewable energy sources, and preserve our green spaces and natural areas.

# 2019-2020 COMMUNICARE GRANT APPLICATION FORM

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization's Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of fiscal sponsor, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Representative's Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Representative's Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Representative's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Representative's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Were you invited to apply by a school?  Yes  No

If so, which school? \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Year incorporated: \_\_\_\_\_ Federal tax identification number: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the name of the organization as stated the same as it appears on the IRS letter of determination?

Yes  No If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of fiscal sponsor, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

## ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

Number of full-time staff: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of part-time staff: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of volunteers: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of board members: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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Geographic area(s) served: \_\_\_\_\_

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## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total operating budget for fiscal year: \_\_\_\_\_

Total operating budget for project/program (if requesting funds for a specific program): \_\_\_\_\_

Total income for most recent fiscal year: \_\_\_\_\_

Total expenses for most recent fiscal year: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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Sources of income:

Earned income (tuition/ticket sales/patient fees): \_\_\_\_\_%    Individual donations: \_\_\_\_\_%    Special events: \_\_\_\_\_%

Corporate/foundation grants: \_\_\_\_\_%    Government grants: \_\_\_\_\_%

Explanation (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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## SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTION:

If we divide the money among applicants, will you be able to use any amount, even if it is not all of your request?

Yes  No

**Certification:** I hereby certify that the information included in this application is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that this organization does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, marital status, age, disability, gender, or sexual orientation. I understand that if my organization receives a grant, a representative from my organization must attend the awards ceremony to receive the grant.

Signature of authorized agency official: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions?** Contact Kristen Engfors-Boess, The Harold & Arlene Schnitzer CARE Foundation  
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