

INVESTING IN COMMUNITIES WHERE ELKS LIVE AND WORK

Community Investments Program grants build stronger communities by funding local, charitable projects.

At a Glance:

- ▶ **Beacon Grant:** Ongoing activities.
- ▶ **Gratitude Grant:** Meet local needs.
- ▶ **Promise Grant:** Activities for youth.
- ▶ **Impact Grant:** Large-scale service projects.
- ▶ **Lodge Assistance Grant:** Harness local support.

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“It’s the Community Investments Program that motivated us to start this project and gave us confidence to address this local need. Together we’ve made this community of veterans very happy.”

JACQUELINE GAUDET
GRATITUDE GRANT PROJECT MANAGER
MISSOULA ‘HELLGATE’, MONT., LODGE NO. 383

“Because of the CIP grants, we will have an increase in membership next year. The public knows now that we do good things for the community, and that’s important.”

MIKE MONGELLUZZO
IMPACT GRANT PROJECT MANAGER
OCALA, FLA., LODGE NO. 286

“The grant allowed us to support kids with much needed school supplies. The good we create is invaluable, and the buzz in both the community and the Lodge was active and refreshing.”

RON SHARRAH
PROMISE GRANT PROJECT MANAGER
SWEET HOME, ORE., LODGE NO. 1972

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See how Lodges are using CIP grants to build stronger communities.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

**You invest.
You give back.
You help Elks build stronger communities.**

Established in 1928, the Elks National Foundation is the charitable arm of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Our mission is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill our pledge by:

- ▶ **Investing** in communities where Elks live and work.
- ▶ **Providing** tomorrow’s leaders, our youth, with lifelong skills.
- ▶ **Honoring** the Elks’ pledge to never forget our veterans.
- ▶ **Helping** the state Elks associations accomplish their charitable objectives.
- ▶ **Funding** Lodge projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

Visit www.elks.org/enf/community to learn more about the Elks National Foundation and the Community Investments Program.

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THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS PROGRAM

The Elks National Foundation Community Investments Program invests **\$8.5 million** in Elks communities through Lodge grants that help Elks meet local needs.

Elks use Community Investments Program grants to serve their communities. Through Community Investments Program grant projects, Elks show leadership through volunteerism, mentoring and service.

Elks build stronger communities with Community Investments Program grants.

BEACON GRANTS are the newest component of the Community Investments Program. These \$2,000 grants are available to every Lodge. These grants:

- ▶ must be used for one ongoing, charitable, Elks-driven community project such as biannual wounded warrior outings, monthly drug-free events for teens, or an annual bike safety day for youth.
- ▶ help Lodges concentrate their efforts and raise the Lodge's community profile.

GRATITUDE GRANTS allow Lodges to expand their charitable activities. These \$2,000 grants are available to Lodges that meet the National President's per-member goal for giving to the ENF. These grants:

- ▶ must be used for local, charitable activities that range from helping seniors in need to hosting an event for homeless veterans to facilitating a supply drive for a local food pantry.
- ▶ help Lodges meet local needs.

PROMISE GRANTS encourage Elks to devote time to local youth. These \$2,000 grants are available to the first 500 Lodges that pledge to host an eligible Elks-led youth event. These grants:

- ▶ provide Elks with an opportunity to be positive role models for youth. Projects range from hosting an after-prom party to offering a youth reading program to taking at-risk children on a camping trip.
- ▶ help Lodges reach out to local youth and families.

The Community Investments Program enables Elks to make a lasting impact where they live and work. Apply for a grant, and get your Lodge involved today!



IMPACT GRANTS offer Lodges a chance to serve the community in a significant way. These competitive grants of up to \$10,000:

- ▶ allow Elks to serve their communities with projects that range from holding a daily soup kitchen at the Lodge to running an after-school children's fitness program to providing material and volunteer support at a veterans' home.
- ▶ inspire Lodges to begin an Elks-run project in the community. All Lodges are eligible and encouraged to apply, but only a select number of grants are awarded annually.

LODGE ASSISTANCE GRANTS assist Lodges with local charitable partnerships. These grants:

- ▶ enable businesses that can only support charitable 501(c)(3) organizations to donate to a specific Lodge charitable project through a restricted monetary gift to the ENF.
- ▶ help Lodges expand their good works and address community needs.

For more information, including applications, deadlines and project ideas, visit www.elks.org/enf/community.