

SOUP
Support of Urban Projects
Request for Micro-Grant Proposal

What is SOUP?

SOUP is a forum in which community members can share their ideas for how to enhance the quality of life for residents in the City of Green Bay. Dinner is served at the forum and a micro-grant is awarded to one individual/organization from funds collected at the forum.

How does it work?

Community Partnership, a committee of Current Young Professionals, will host a dinner featuring 3-5 grant proposals made by community members for projects that will enhance the quality of life in Green Bay. Everyone in attendance will contribute \$5.00. In exchange, they will receive a bowl of soup and the opportunity to decide which project they want to fund. Proceeds from each meal become the grant that will be awarded to the chosen project, which will be voted upon by all present at the dinner. The minimum award for the winning project will be \$500 with potential to receive more depending on attendance. The more people in attendance, the more funds available to award!

When and Where is next SOUP Event?

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019 | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Riverside Ballroom | Green Bay, WI

Key Dates To Know

Proposal Due Date | Friday, Oct. 5 by 5 p.m.
Notification of Proposal Status | No later than Friday, Oct. 18
SOUP Presentation | Wednesday, Nov. 6 | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

What kinds of projects are eligible?

Projects must be located within the City of Green Bay and positively impact the Green Bay Community in at least one of the following areas:

- Public Art and Culture (i.e. public art, art education)
- Connectivity/Activity (i.e. health and wellness, transportation, community accessibility)
- Cultivating Engagement, Diversity and Inclusivity (i.e. social engagement, jobs, civic engagement)
- Place-Making/Neighborhoods/Community Engagement (i.e. space-making, gathering spaces, neighborhood revitalization)

Not all submitted projects will be selected to present at the SOUP event. A proposal committee will pre-screen submissions for appropriate projects and content, feasibility in getting funding, conflicts of interest and other guidelines.

How do you apply for a micro-grant?

- First, please submit your proposal via our online application.
- If your proposal is selected by the selection committee for presentation at the SOUP event, you will be invited to the dinner where you will present your project.
- If you have any questions, please contact Mallory Nash at mnash@greatergbc.org

Keep in Mind:

- Thoroughly review your submission before sending; incomplete proposals will not be considered.
- You may want to type your answers in a word processor and save the document before electronic submission.
- Projects should be ready to implement once money is awarded.
- Awardees will have 6 months to begin their project and will be asked to share progress at a future SOUP event.

FAQs

1. Do I have to be a Green Bay resident to submit a project?
 - No, but the project must be implemented within Green Bay City limits.
2. When will I know if my project was selected to present at the event?
 - You will be notified 7 days prior to the event.
3. How long will I have to present?
 - Chosen applicants will be given 5 minutes to present their proposal to event attendees. 3 minutes will be allowed for Q&A.
4. Will there be technology available?
 - No. Presentations will be done without technology. Handouts and other visuals are acceptable.
5. I can't make it to the event, can I still apply?
 - No - You must be present at SOUP to present your proposal. Grant recipients are also required to present their progress at the following SOUP event.
6. I applied for SOUP previously but was not selected to present. May I apply again?
 - Yes - we receive many proposals and can only accommodate a certain amount per event. We encourage you to reapply for the next event!
7. If I am selected to present my proposal do I need to buy a ticket for myself to the event?
 - No - if chosen, you will have ONE FREE entry per organization for the presenter. All others presenting with you, friends, staff, supporters, loved ones, etc. will have to purchase a ticket to get in.
8. If I presented, can I still vote?
 - Yes
9. Do I have to be a member of Current to apply/attend?
 - No. All demographics are welcome!

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Current is to attract, engage, develop and retain young talent in Greater Green Bay.

VISION STATEMENT

Current will showcase the advantages of living and working in the Greater Green Bay area so that it is appealing to prospective residents, attractive to new arrivals and revitalizing for long-term residents.