Rockland Trust's philanthropic mission is to strengthen the communities served by the Bank. We enable individuals and their families to access opportunity and improve the quality of their lives.

ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY DONATION PROGRAM

The purpose of Rockland Trust and Rockland Trust Charitable Foundation's Community Donation program is to support the community programs and initiatives that *do not align* with the Rockland Trust Charitable Foundation's grant program.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY DONATION?

- 501(c)(3) Nonprofit organizations
- Community organization without 501(c)(3) Public Charity status

Rockland Trust and the Rockland Trust Charitable Foundation **will not** consider Community Donation requests from the following:

- Organizations that meet the Rockland Trust Charitable Foundation's grant giving guidelines and focus areas. If your organization meets these guidelines, you **MUST** submit a grant application to request support and adhere to our grant deadlines.
- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of age, race, sex, religion, national origin, disability, family status, receipt of public assistance, sexual orientation, or gender identity
- Individuals or families
- Political activities, lobbying, or candidates for political office
- Religious organizations (requesting funding for activities with religious purposes)

COMMUNITY DONATION FOCUS AREAS

While we support many different types of funding requests within our community donation program, the bulk of our funding supports the following:

- **Food insecurity**
- **Basic needs**, including access to clothing, rental/utility assistance, etc.
- **Education** – requests from local education foundations, parent teacher organizations (PTOs), etc.
- **Holiday gifts**
- **Local scholarships**
- **Scouting programs** (that is not date-specific. Date specific requests should be submitted as an event sponsorship)
- **Sports teams** (that is not date-specific. Date specific requests should be submitted as an event sponsorship)

Community Donation Guidelines

We **do not** support the following request types through our community donation program:

- Capital requests (renovation or construction of buildings, fields, pools, playgrounds, libraries, etc. **OR** the purchase of equipment or vehicles).
- Requests for specific funding to support a nonprofit's internal diversity, equity and inclusion programs.
- Requests from 501c3 nonprofit organizations that meet our grant giving guidelines

GEOGRAPHIC REQUIREMENTS

Organizations must be located in, and serve individuals of, at least one of the following geographic areas:

Barnstable County, MA	Middlesex County, MA	Suffolk County, MA
Bristol County, MA	Nantucket County, MA	Worcester County, MA
Dukes County, MA	Norfolk County, MA	
Essex County, MA	Plymouth County, MA	

Rhode Island

HOW TO APPLY

Community donation applications are considered on a rolling basis and are accepted year-round. Community donation applications are accepted **only** via our online portal at: www.RocklandTrust.com/CharitableGiving. We will not consider or respond to requests made in-person, or sent via email or mail.

Applications may be saved at any time in the process to resume later. Add mail@grantapplication.com to your safe senders list to ensure you receive all system communications.

Please note: Rockland Trust does not typically fund multiple applications (grant, sponsorship OR community donation) from the same organization in a single calendar year.

DECISION TIMELINE

Rockland Trust and the Rockland Trust Charitable Foundation typically responds to community donation applications between six to twelve weeks after the submittal date.

FUNDING AMOUNT

The majority of community donation awards will be less than $2,500.

Please note: Community donation support to an organization in one year does not guarantee support in subsequent years.

QUESTIONS

Please send an email to Charitable.Giving@RocklandTrust.com to ensure the quickest response.