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Woodard & Curran Foundation Announces 2016 Grant Cycle

Woodard & Curran Foundation begins the 2016 Grant Cycle with notable changes, including new grant opportunities and a strong focus on clean water.

PORTLAND, Maine (April 19, 2016) – Woodard & Curran Foundation is excited to announce a new era of grant giving with streamlined focus and more opportunity. The 2016 giving strategy is focused on a resource basic to life and often taken for granted: clean water. Whether you live in an area where water supplies are plentiful or where water scarcity is a daily concern, issues surrounding water conservation, sanitation, and safe drinking water supplies are high on the list of environmental concerns.

In addition to the way the Foundation has given in the past, Woodard & Curran Foundation increased its giving and is offering two grant tracks. Track 1 is dedicated to addressing the problem of water scarcity through STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) initiatives and will award up to three smaller grants totaling $16,500 with no one grant exceeding $10,000. Grant requests for projects ranging from $1,000 to $10,000 will be accepted from 501(c)(3) nonprofits that meet general eligibility requirements and are located in states where Woodard & Curran Inc. either has an office or operates a treatment facility: CA, CT, FL, GA, IL, MA, ME, MI, MO, MT, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, TN, UT, VT, or WY.

The Track 2 Impact Grant aims to establish a partnership with an organization that shares the Foundation’s vision by funding an innovative project that applies or advances technology by addressing water issues relating to climate change. In 2016, one Impact Grant will be awarded for $100,000, distributed over three consecutive years beginning in October 2016 ($33,000 in 2016, $33,000 in 2017, and $34,000 in 2018).

“This is a very exciting time for the Foundation as we move into our sixth year,” states Tom Francoeur, Woodard & Curran Foundation’s Board President. “We are truly grateful for all the support we have from our donors that enables us to provide funds to organizations, dedicated as we are, to enact meaningful and impactful change.”

The deadline for Track 1 applications is July 1, 2016. The Track 2 Impact Grant requires a Letter of Interest prior to submitting an application. Letters of Interest are also due July 1, 2016.

For more information or to make a tax-deductible donation, visit www.woodardcurranfoundation.org. Woodard & Curran Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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