



## GF-Town of Stillwater Foundation, Inc. - 2026 Grant Application

### Mission

The mission of the GF-Town of Stillwater Foundation is to provide tangible benefits of a public nature to diverse groups located within the Town of Stillwater including not-for-profit corporations, charitable organizations, community arts and theater, community historical sites and events, education, and sports and recreation.

### Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the GF-Town of Stillwater Foundation consists of seven members: three members selected by the Stillwater Town Board and three members selected by GF, with the seventh board member selected at large by the Board of Directors. The current members of the Board are:

- Deborah Leupold, Senior Staff, GF and Foundation Chair
- Edward Kinowski, Stillwater Town Supervisor
- Joseph Mariano, Jr., Stillwater Superintendent of Schools
- Kevin Buchal, Stillwater Resident
- Edward Keis, CFO for DeCrescente Distributing Co. Inc.
- Brendan Chudy, Director Real Estate Management, GF
- Thomas Huang, Senior Director Facilities, GF

### Community Benefit

As part of the development agreement for GF's Malta, New York site, the company has contributed \$1,000,000 to fund the Foundation. The company contributed to this fund in installments, marked by key milestones towards the successful construction and start of operations of its Malta, New York facility. The Foundation was fully funded in July 2012. The funds are held in a special escrow account to provide funding for projects providing tangible and measurable benefits to the Town.

### Requests for Funding Guidelines

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The GF-Stillwater Foundation is allowed to award grants from investment earnings. The Town Board and Foundation Board's desires are to only use investment earnings. Understandably some years' investment earnings may be lean; therefore, grant awards may be less than expected. When necessary, a super majority vote of the Stillwater Town Board may allow expenditures from principle subject to Town Board approval.

Community organizations identified below are encouraged to submit applications to be considered for funding grants. Grant applications that include a guarantee of matching funds from the applicant may increase the chance of approval. The Foundation anticipates awarding grants annually and by check at a date, time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors will look for projects that are creative, innovative, and inclusive in their scope as well as opportunities that will provide the maximum amount of benefit to the local Stillwater community. We are looking for projects that will bring educational opportunities and positive change to the health, safety and welfare of Town of Stillwater residents. The Board of Directors will determine the specific size of individual grants and which organizations, initiatives, or projects receive grants.

Organizations and individuals seeking funding must complete a funding application and return it to:

**GF-Stillwater Foundation**  
**P.O. Box 700**  
**Stillwater, New York 12170**

**Requests for funding must be received no later than March 31, 2026.** Determination of successful recipients will be made in April with awards to be presented within the month of May 2026. The Foundation anticipates that the period of performance for grants awarded in fiscal year 2026 will be completed in a reasonable time frame depending on the scope of the effort. Work must commence within six months. All award recipients will be required to submit a brief narrative to the Foundation explaining program progress commencing six months from the day the award is granted and stating the anticipated completion date. Please note that no additional grant funding will be awarded unless the initial grant funded project is complete and a narrative explaining program or project progress, in writing, has been received by the Board of Directors in advance of any subsequent grant application or award.

Renewed funding depends upon re-application and evaluation. Visitation to sites may be requested along with additional information.

To be eligible, the applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Be able to demonstrate the ability to provide tangible benefits of a public nature to diverse groups located in whole or in part within the Town of Stillwater including, but not limited to:
  - ✓ Not-for-profit corporations
  - ✓ Charitable organizations
  - ✓ Community arts and theater
  - ✓ Community historical sites and events
  - ✓ Education
  - ✓ Sports and recreation
  - ✓ Secular causes run by religious organizations (food banks, clothes banks, etc.)
- Be willing to publicize the grant
- Fully complete the Grant Request Form and return it to the Board of Directors by the deadline above.

**(NOTE: More information may be requested by the Board of Directors to make a final determination on grant funding.)**

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# GF-Town of Stillwater Foundation 2026 Grant Request Form

This form should be completed and returned to: GF-Stillwater Foundation, P.O. Box 700, Stillwater, NY 12170, no later than March 31, 2026.

Please do not submit additional materials. We reserve the right to request more information as needed.

1. Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Organization Tax ID Number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

3. Contact Person's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Contact Person's Title: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Contact Person's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

7. City: State: Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Organization's Website Address (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

10. Please provide a brief description of the organization's mission & purpose:

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11. Check up to three applicable categories that describe the primary purpose of your organization:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy Education       | <input type="checkbox"/> Education               | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Education     | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Preservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports/Recreation/Social | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural/Community Arts  | <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Services      | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious*       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                    |  |   |

*\*:Religious groups that apply should be aware that the grants are for secular purposes to benefit the general community at large.*

12. Amount of funds requested: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Is this a Matching Challenge Grant Request – 1:1 Funding? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

14. Specific reason for funding request:

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15. Date of project (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

16. Will this donation meet the total funds required to complete the program or project? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

17. What is the total fundraising goal for this program or project? \_\_\_\_\_

18. How much money has been raised toward this goal to date? \_\_\_\_\_

19. Please identify the top three other additional funding sources for this program or project (if applicable):

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

20. Does your organization receive any government funding? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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21. Please list your organization's Board of Directors, officers, and executives (if applicable). If more space is needed for this question, please include the names and titles of individuals on a separate piece of paper:

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Please use this space to provide any additional detail you think will assist the Board of Directors in evaluating your application:

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**For Administrative Purposes Only:**

**Date/Time Received:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Received by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Reviewed by Board of Directors:** \_\_\_\_\_