



# JOHN T. VUCUREVICH FOUNDATION

*...to make a piece of the world a brighter place.*

## **Guidelines for Grant Application**

John T. Vucurevich Foundation is a South Dakota nonprofit organization. Grants are generally awarded to organizations within the state, with preference given to the West River area and in particular to the Black Hills region as well as other communities served by the banks owned by the John T. Vucurevich Foundation.

Grants will be awarded only to public charities that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and “not a private foundation” under Section 509(a) of the Code. Grants may also be awarded to United States governmental agencies.

Organizations are limited to one grant request in any twelve-month period and reports may be required for grants awarded. The Foundation will not consider any organization’s future requests for funding if required reports have not been submitted. Depending on the size or nature of the grant request and after careful review of the request, a site visit may be scheduled. Most grants are awarded for a one-year period, however, the Foundation may consider multi-year funding as well.

The following is a list of entities, programs or activities we do not fund:

- 1) **International organizations**
- 2) **Non-501(c)(3) organizations**
- 3) **Individuals**
- 4) **Endowments**

The following is a list of entities, programs or activities we normally do not fund:

- 1) **Benefit events**
- 2) **Sporting activities**
- 3) **Publications, video, and film production**
- 4) **Programs with religious content**
- 5) **Organizations that have been in existence for less than five years**

Funding priorities will be in the areas of the arts, education, health and human services, housing and transportation. The Foundation will accept unsolicited proposals in these funding areas. Collaborative proposals related to comprehensive solutions to area problems will be encouraged.

If you wish to apply, please review our guidelines and send a letter of inquiry summarizing your organization’s mission and goals, and funding project, including amount requested. After we review your inquiry, we will contact you as to the next step in the application process. Deadlines for complete applications are March 1<sup>st</sup>, June 1st, September 1st and December 1st of each year. For further information please contact us by e-mail [info@jtvf.org](mailto:info@jtvf.org) or call our office at 605-343-3141.