

**The Betterment Fund**  
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**GRANT APPLICATION COVER SHEET**

\*\*\*SUBMIT SEVEN (7) FULL COPIES OF YOUR PROPOSAL\*\*\*

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ORGANIZATION, MAILING ADDRESS, EMAIL AND WEBSITE (IF ANY) ADDRESSES, TELEPHONE AND FAX NUMBERS:

NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS:

Please check whichever of the following applies to your organization's Tax Status:

\_\_\_ GOVERNMENT AGENCY

\_\_\_ 501(c)(3) PUBLIC ORGANIZATION\*

*\*Attach a copy of the US Internal Revenue Service Letter which indicates your tax status. If your organization is doing business under a d/b/a (fictitious business name) or has changed its name from the name on the IRS Exemption Letter please include proof of same*

\_\_\_ PENDING APPLICATION FOR TAX EXEMPT (IRC 501(c)(3) public organization status)

\_\_\_ FISCAL SPONSORSHIP BY ANOTHER MAINE ORGANIZATION WHICH IS ITSELF TAX EXEMPT\*

*Specify its name: \_\_\_\_\_ and provide further information as specified in "Grant Guidelines and Application Procedures"*

TITLE OF YOUR PROPOSAL (*not to exceed 6 words*):

ATTACH:

- A SUCCINCT DESCRIPTION OF YOUR PROPOSAL *not to exceed 5 pages, font size 12 pt or larger*

- MOST RECENT PAST FULL-YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF YOUR ORGANIZATION, AUDITED IF AVAILABLE (*Balance Sheet plus Statement of Income and Expenses*)
- BUDGET FOR ORGANIZATION FOR THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR
- PROJECT BUDGET
- LIST OF ORGANIZATION'S OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS AND THEIR OCCUPATIONS
- COMPLETED APPLICATION CODING SHEET

INDICATE YEAR OF YOUR MOST RECENT (IF ANY) GRANT APPLICATION TO OR FUNDING FROM THE BETTERMENT FUND\* \_\_\_\_\_

*\*No more than one (1) Grant Application will be considered during any 12 month period, and no new Grant Application will be considered while any previous Betterment Fund grant commitment to the organization is pending, or sooner than 10 months after the last installment payment on any Betterment Fund Grant received. Grants may be deferred pending submission of satisfactory Final Report on previous Grant(s)*

TOTAL GRANT REQUEST: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Allocation:*

FIRST YEAR: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SUCCESSIVE YEARS (IF ANY): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_ # OF YEARS

## The Betterment Fund Proposal Codes

Please help us categorize your grant proposal by circling the **ONE** appropriate code under **each of the three following headings** (I, II, III.) Many grant proposals fit into more than one category; please **choose the one** you think is most appropriate. Please note that the listing of a category does not necessarily indicate that the Betterment Fund is currently making grants in that category.

### **I. Geographical Area Served (circle only ONE):**

Aroostook County	Central Maine (Augusta, Bangor, L/A)
Hancock County	Maine Coast (all)
Midcoast (Brunswick to Boothbay Harbor)	North Woods
Portland	Southern Maine
Washington County	Western Mountains

-or- Statewide

### **II. Type of Support (circle only ONE):**

Capital Purchases or Endowment  
Operating Support / Projects / Programs

### **III. Program Areas (circle only ONE Program Area and One Subgroup of it):**

#### CIVIC AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT:

Economic Opportunity  
Historic and Special Places  
Human Services  
Library Support  
Policy Initiatives  
Underserved Populations  
Other

#### CREATIVE ECONOMY

#### EDUCATION:

Arts Education  
Arts, Museums and Culture  
Colleges, Private  
Colleges, Public  
Community Colleges  
Literacy  
Pre-K  
Postgraduate & Research  
Special Programs  
Other

#### PHILANTHROPY:

Advancing Philanthropy in Maine

#### HEALTH:

Disease Prevention  
Geriatric Health  
Home Care  
Hospice  
Hospitals  
Medical Research  
Mental Health  
Oral Health  
Public Health  
Rural Health  
Underserved Populations  
Wellness  
Youth  
Other

#### ENVIRONMENTAL / CONSERVATION:

Conservation Easements and Purchases  
Environmental Education  
Farms  
Fisheries and Coast  
Lakes  
Land Trusts, generally  
North Woods  
Rivers  
Other