

Marlborough Brigham Family Trust

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Marlborough Brigham Family Trust announces fifth year of grant offerings

MARLBOROUGH, MA – The Marlborough Brigham Family Trust is pleased to announce the start of its fifth year of grant-making to benefit the greater Marlborough community.

In his will dated August 1997, Marlborough resident Ronald H. Brigham envisioned his estate be used to “promote the general good and the community welfare of the Marlborough Middlesex County area” upon his passing. The charitable trust envisioned in Brigham’s will became a reality in 2013 when the trust awarded more than \$25,000 in grants. In both 2015 and 2016, more than \$40,000 was awarded to local charitable organizations by the trust.

The trustees of the Marlborough Brigham Family Trust are pleased to announce the opening of this year’s grant cycle. Marlborough nonprofits seeking financial support for programs and activities that directly benefit the Marlborough community are invited to apply for up to \$6,000 for these programs and activities. Each grant application must be in the form of a 500-word (maximum) essay that clearly delineates:

- The target beneficiaries.
- The goal(s) of the program/activity.
- The amount being requested.
- A brief explanation of any other funding sources.

Applicants must also include proof of their 501(c)(3) / nonprofit status.

Applications should be mailed to the address above and must be postmarked between now and **September 15, 2017**. Trustees will screen applications and identify those most aligned with the spirit of the trust for follow-up. Potential recipients may be requested to submit project/activity budgets and copies of 990 Forms and Board of Directors/leadership information, plus agree to an interview by the trustees (if requested). Awards will be announced in November, 2017.

Applicants who have received a previous grant from the Trust must submit proof that those funds have been spent for the specific use for which the grant was awarded. This may be in the form of paid invoices, pictures, etc.

For additional information about the Marlborough Brigham Family Trust, visit www.BrighamTrust.org