

WCVB Board Meeting

Meeting: August 13, 2020

Item:

PPE Support to Nonprofits Hosting Events

Overview:

Currently the WCVB has awarded \$845 in community grants. Due to COVID-19, most events for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed until later. Recently there have been a few events scheduled by nonprofits.

The WCVB has an opportunity to support those nonprofits and encourage safe participation for volunteers/participants. An important part of that safety is PPE. Discussing with an event coordinator what they need, I learned assistance with marketing but financial assistance by providing PPE (masks) would be greatly appreciated. The WCVB 2019-2020 budget has funds available the WCVB can allocate for this cost.

Proposal:

WCVB provide local area nonprofits up to three boxes of masks per event. This would be an expense of no more than \$60 per event. Total funds allocated for this would be \$600. The event would need to be held prior to the end of the calendar year-Dec. 31, 2020. It would be first-come, first-serve.

Nonprofits would have to complete a very simple form, so we can ensure we are providing it eligible nonprofits and they have a plan in place to host a safe event. Eligibility would be very similar as the WCVB Community Grant. The event must be open to the public at no-cost or a very low admittance fee. The Nonprofits would be instructed the assistance may be subject to change and the WCVB is not accepting any responsibility of the event. The WCVB would purchase the masks and provide them directly to the nonprofit. Member meetings would not be an eligible event.

Prior to purchasing the masks, guidance on type would be sought from local emergency services. A news release would be distributed to local media and posts would be made on the Visit Warrensburg Facebook page.

Additional Resources:

NA

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends the board approve the allocation of \$600 for the purchase of PPE (masks) to donate to local nonprofits hosting events using the guidelines established above.