



# Gives

## 2018 COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The Dow Chemical Company - Pittsburg Operations

The Community Advisory Panel (CAP) of Dow's Pittsburg Operations has established a \$25,000 (total) competitive Community Grant Program to fund sustainable community service projects in Eastern Contra Costa County (specifically Antioch, Bay Point and Pittsburg.) The competitive grant program is designed to address specific community needs, solve problems or improve the quality of life for residents. Projects must impact a minimum of 50 people; projects impacting a large percent of the community will be viewed favorably. Projects should emphasize relationship-building with the community through interaction rather than just providing funds to an organization in exchange for promotional opportunities.

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

To qualify for Dow's 2018 Community Grant Program (CGP), organizations must be a non-profit organization, municipal, or government agency or school. Only one application per organization may be submitted. Grants cannot be given to religious organizations, political candidates or individuals, **nor can the monies be used for salaries**, personal computers, travel expenses, vehicle purchases, festivals, parties, gifts, meals or sponsorships. **Grants will be awarded in amounts that vary from \$2,500 to \$5,000, depending on the scope of the project.** Incomplete applications will be disqualified. The selection of projects and oversight of this funding is administered by the Dow CAP.

### PROJECT EXAMPLES

Dow seeks projects that improve the environment, support hands-on science and math learning, and contribute to the community's success in the areas of educational opportunities and environmental protection. Project examples include restoring wildlife or recreation areas; expanding educational opportunities for students of all ages or their teachers, especially in the areas of science and math; and workforce development programs for local students. Projects with an emphasis on visible improvements and long-lasting results will be the most competitive in the selection process. *Capital, maintenance, structural, or systems improvement projects will not be considered.*

### HOW TO CREATE A PROPOSAL

The Dow Community Grant Application is available and **must be submitted online at <https://www.cybergrants.com/dow/applications/naaopensitecycle> by 11:59pm on September 30, 2018.**

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## 2018 Community Grant Program Timeline

August 1	Application opens; notifications mailed
September 30	Deadline for submissions <i>*Applications <u>must</u> be submitted online. Faxed, e-mailed and mailed applications will not be accepted.</i>
November 13	Dow notifies grant awardees
December-January	Grant monies delivered
December	Grant recipients honored at CAP Holiday Dinner
April – August 2017	Grant recipients report to CAP

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