

February 2010

Dear Nonprofit Associate,

Please note the new address...we have moved!

Caring Rivers United Way's goal is to ensure that residents in our service area are able to access assistance to meet their basic needs, to achieve their highest attainable level of wellbeing and independence, and to reduce risks and promote strengths. Therefore, in 2010-2011 we will fund nonprofit agencies that provide human services for local residents in 3 impact areas: 1) Community Basic Needs, 2) Promoting Health and Independence, and 3) Nurturing Children and Families.

To determine which area your organization has the greatest impact in, please review the Program Outcomes Management Chart that is included on page 3. To view currently funded agencies, visit our website at www.caringrivers.org and click on Community Impact.

Each year Caring Rivers United Way receives far more applications that we can fund; please submit grants for local funding only.

Please note the following requirements.

- Applicants must submit the Caring Rivers United Way (CRUW) Grant Application Form including ALL required attachments.
 - Mail **6** copies to CRUW (please **do not** include a cover letter)
 - Only **1** copy of the current IRS 990 to be included
 - Packets are due in the CRUW office by **4:00 PM, Monday, March 29, 2010.**
- Please note the Proposal Narrative is limited to 2 pages. The Grant Application, including all attachments except the IRS 990, should be no more than 10 pages.
- Site visits will be made to applicants on Friday, April 23 between 9:00 a.m. and noon by CRUW volunteers.** Agencies unable to host a visit will be expected to make a presentation on April 23 between 9 and noon. (After your application has been received and reviewed, we will confirm times and locations.) *Supporting folders and pamphlets can be given to the reviewers on April 23.*
- Please include a sample of a recent publication from your organization which acknowledges your receipt of funding by Caring Rivers United Way (*if applicable*).

Funding decisions will be made in late June and award letters will be mailed in July. Funds will be distributed through two payments, 1/2 in August 2010 and 1/2 in February 2011.

If you need any assistance in the application process, please contact our office, (763) 633-5886 or e-mail Joy at Joy@caringrivers.org or Lauri at Lauri@caringrivers.org For more information on Caring Rivers United Way, check out our web site at www.caringrivers.org.

With Respect,

Joy Nadeau
Executive Director

Caring Rivers United Way Diversity Policy: “to value, champion, and embrace diversity and respect others without regard to race, color, religion, creed, age, gender, national origin or ancestry, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation, or status as a qualified disabled or handicapped individual”