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## *Community Capital Fund Launches Youth Neighborhoods Rising Fund*

### **Summary:**

The Neighborhoods Rising Fund (NRF) is a unique funding collaborative that annually provides grants (up to \$5,000) for community-driven and neighborhood-led revitalization projects and initiatives in low- to moderate-income neighborhoods throughout the Greater Kansas City region. In 2023, CCF has launched a Youth Neighborhoods Rising Fund. Like NRF, Youth NRF's mission will be to fund small but mighty projects, created and managed by high schoolers.

### **Youth NRF:**

Teams of at least 4 youth, supported by an adult advisor, will be eligible to apply for neighborhood grants up to \$5,000 to improve their communities. Youth projects will have to align to one of NRF's funding areas: Celebration of Arts and Culture, Environmental Stewardship, Public Safety, Digital Inclusion, Neighborhood Clean-Ups, Membership Development + Social Cohesion, Creating or Maintaining Public Spaces, Parks + Gardens. Please see 2022 NRF Report on CCF website for examples.

### **Key Program Dates:**

- July 31st, 2023, Required Pre-Application Survey Period Opens
- August 22nd at 1pm, 2023, Virtual Info Session 1
- September 6th at 5:30pm 2023, Virtual Info Session 2
- September 8<sup>th</sup>, Required Pre-Application Survey Period Closes
- Sept 15th, 2023, Invitations Extended to Apply for Youth NRF
- Sept 29th, 2023, (Invitation only) Youth NRF Applications Open
- Oct 20th, 2023, Application Due
- Nov 17th, 2023, Awards Announced
- Jan 8th, 2024, Project Execution Window Begins
- May 1st, 2024, Project Complete
- May 15th, 2024, Final Reports Due
- May 17th, 2024, NRF Breakfast

### **Process Overview:**

- Youth teams should be organized and supported by schools, nonprofit or neighborhood associations that have experience supporting and managing youth engagement efforts.
- Application will include a required pre-application survey to determine the organization's capacity to support youth team.
- The invitation only Youth NRF application should be submitted by the youth team and outline their NRF project.
- Project goals and milestones will be aligned to these measurements: the number of volunteers involved in the project, the number of people served or engaged by the project, whether the project resulted in an increase in the sense of community or people involved in the neighborhood, budget, and more.



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If you have questions or you need individual application assistance please contact [andrew@ccfkansascity.org](mailto:andrew@ccfkansascity.org) or [dajaun@ccfkansascity.org](mailto:dajaun@ccfkansascity.org).

**PRE-APPLICATION SURVEY**

*The Youth NRF application will be by invitation-only. All interested applicants must participate in the pre-application survey to determine the organization's capacity to support a youth team. Only approved applicants will be allowed to submit a formal application. The invitation-only Youth NRF application should be submitted by the youth team and outline their NRF project.*

**Name of Organization/School:**

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**Name of Organization Executive Director / President/Principal:**

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**Organization/School Phone:**

**Organization/School Email:**

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**Organization/School Website:**

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**Organization/School Address:**

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**Project Contact Info. Please provide two different contacts for this project.**

**Primary Project Adult Advisor:**

**Secondary Project Adult Advisor (if applicable):**

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**Primary Contact Phone:**

**Secondary Contact Phone:**

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**Primary Contact Email:**

**Secondary Contact Email:**

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**What date was your organization established (only applicable to 501c3's & neighborhood groups)?**

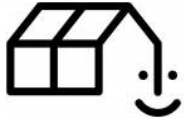
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**Which of the following best describes your organization? Please check all that apply.**

- MO Registered Neighborhood Association
- KS Registered Neighborhood Association
- Recognized Kansas or Missouri School District, Private School, or Charter School
- Nonprofit 501(c)(3)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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**What age range of youth does your organization/school serve?**



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**What services and/or programs does your organization/school provide to youth? Please explain your organization/school's capacity to manage a youth-led project (include specific number of hours per week advisor can dedicate to the project).**

**What is your experience with managing grant funds?**

**How will you select youth to participate?**

#### **ENDORSEMENT**

- I, on behalf of my organization, acknowledge that the proposed Youth NRF project should be designed, led, and executed by the youth team. If invited to apply, the application will be submitted by the youth team and outline their NRF project.*
- I, on behalf of my organization, commit to supporting the success of the Youth NRF project. This includes two hours a week of support to the youth team.*

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Name (printed)

Title

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Signature

Date