



Middlebury Maple Run
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2020 Grant Application

Event Background:

The 12th running of the *Middlebury Maple Run – The Sweetest Half* is set for 9 a.m. on Sunday, May 3, 2020. The race is a half-marathon distance (13.1 miles, USATF certified) and includes a two-person relay option and a 3-mile fun run. The Middlebury Maple Run is one of New England's "must-do" road races. Race organizers are anticipating approximately 700 participants to run in 2020.

Race Proceeds:

The Middlebury Maple Run has created a grant program to distribute race proceeds. Since then we've awarded between \$200 and \$2,000 annually to Addison County non-profits. Over the past ten years this race has donated nearly \$70,000 to local charities for which we are very honored to support.

The same grant program is in place for 2020 where organizations in and/or benefiting Addison County residents are given the opportunity to apply to be a beneficiary of race proceeds.

About the Middlebury Maple Run Organizers

The Middlebury Maple Run is organized by volunteers who are also runners.

Fund Criteria

- IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization
- Based in Addison County, Vermont or directly benefits residents of Addison County, Vermont
- Required to provide FIVE (5) ADULT volunteers on race day, Sunday, May 3 between 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Your group may be needed for the entire duration or just a few hours. Volunteers are there to support the runners. Their duties might include registration, bag check, parking and traffic control, etc.

Grant Request

Please provide the following information.

Name of organization:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Website:

Director or Primary Contact Person:

Executive Director of the Organization (if different than above):

Phone:

Email:

Amount requested: _____

Keep in mind between 3-6 grants will be awarded in amounts up to \$1,000. If more is being requested please articulate a compelling reason for this consideration.

Short Project Summary:

Please provide a summary of your request in 1-2 sentences.

Narrative Questions:

In a separate document please answer the following questions. Please limit your responses to approximately 250 words per question.

1. Give us a brief description of your organization, including recent accomplishments etc. (may be used in publications).
2. Are the funds you are requesting to be used towards a specific project? If so, please summarize the project, including justification for its support.
3. How will the funds benefit the residents of Addison County?
4. Give us an overview of your project and its timeline and goals. Please include what you will do, who you will serve, and what impact you hope to make.
5. How many people will your project serve?
6. Are there any other funds from other sources for this project? (Identify whether committed or pending)

Attachments:

- Please attach a list of your Board of Directors.
- Please attach a description of the mission of your organization.

Stipulations:

- We will not award a grant to the same organization more than two consecutive years. Your organization may apply again after a one-year hiatus of receiving funds.
- Applications will be accepted no later than March 1, 2020. We will announce award winners by April 1, 2020.
- Disbursement of funds is typically completed by June 15th.
- You must issue a press release announcing the grant award and recognize the Middlebury Maple Run as the grantor.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR APPLICATION VIA EMAIL: middmaplerun@gmail.com

Questions? Feel free to email Katie Gillespie and Skylar Atkins at middmaplerun@gmail.com with any questions or clarifications.