

The KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Board awards 7 grants totaling \$6,570 in winter grant round, to support children- and-youth led projects across Northeast Minnesota

The Northland Foundation is pleased to announce that seven grants were awarded in January by the young people and adult mentors on the 2020-21 KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Board. The Board is made up of middle school and high school students from across northeastern Minnesota who review and make grantmaking decisions with guidance from volunteer adult mentors. The grants the students award, up to \$1000 each, support school and community projects that are planned and developed by children and youth in northeastern Minnesota.

The Board meets three times during the school year: October, January, and April. **April 1, 2021** is the next deadline to submit a Youth In Philanthropy grant application. Find information about applying here: https://northlandfdn.org/grants/apply-report.php#yip.

The KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Program receives funding support from the Scott and Holly Martin Family Foundation, members of the Northland Foundation's Emeritus Trustee Group, and the Northland Foundation.

Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Saint Paul - \$1,000 To support the creation of a zine that raises awareness of Sexual Assault Awareness Month in April.

Many Rivers Montessori, Duluth - \$1,000

To create and grow a garden that will support local projects and be distributed to families in need.

Littlefork-Big Falls - ISD #362, Littlefork - \$990

To expand use of the local school forest during winter months by providing students and the community with access to snowshoeing.

Northern STEM Robotics, Hermantown - \$930

To offer youth-led free robotics classes to K-12th grade students in underrepresented communities to show them the opportunities robotics provides.

Hope Community Presbyterian Church, Virginia - \$1,000

To fill the community food pantry and keep it stocked for families to utilize during stressful times.

Cook County Community YMCA, Grand Marais - \$650

To expand the afterschool program to include the creation of two books written by kids.

Minnesota Children's Press, Grand Marais - \$1,000

To create a youth-designed and youth-led internet security online class for local elders.