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# Northland Foundation's Youth In Philanthropy Board awards \$7,330 in grants to eight projects led by children and youth in the region

Northeast Minnesota - The [Northland Foundation](https://northlandfdn.org) and the young people serving on its [Youth In Philanthropy Program](https://northlandfdn.org) Board have awarded eight grants totaling \$7,330 to projects led by children and youth.

Grants range up to \$1000 each for school and community projects planned and developed by children and youth in northeast Minnesota communities and the border community of Superior, Wisconsin. There are three grant rounds each school year: October, January, and April. The next deadline to submit a Youth In Philanthropy grant application is **April 1, 2024**. To apply: <https://northlandfdn.org/grants/apply-report.php>.

The student-led advisory board reviews applications and makes grantmaking decisions with the guidance of volunteer adult mentors. This year's board includes students from Aitkin, Barnum, Cloquet, Duluth, Hermantown, Superior, and Two Harbors.

"The students serving on Youth In Philanthropy do an incredible job," stated Jan Amys, Senior Program Officer, who has helped run the program since 2007. "They have fun, yes, but are really serious and thoughtful about funding decisions. It's inspiring to see young people develop their philanthropy and leadership abilities!"

The 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.

The Winter 2024 grants are:

**North St. Louis County 4-H Federation, Virginia: \$400**

To support a youth-led day of engaging activities for the community to expand exposure to 4-H.

**North St. Louis County 4-H Federation, Virginia: \$1,000**

To promote and educate youth in the community on the importance of dog training and how to be a responsible dog owner.

**Robo Dweebs 5501, Two Harbors: \$1,000**

To provide all audiences the opportunity to explore robotics and increase interest among families and students of all ages.

**Duluth Edison Charter Schools, Duluth: \$1,000**

To support a student-led activity that spreads kindness and appreciation for teachers throughout the school.

**Rock Ridge Public Schools ISD 2909, Virginia: \$1,000**

To help educate local schools surrounding topics of climate change.

**Lake Superior School District ISD 381, Two Harbors: \$1,000**

To support environmental education and event implementation for high school students and community members.

**Proctor Area Historical Society, Proctor: \$950**

To support a youth-led project to create a historical display of Proctor's cultural history at the Proctor Historical Society.

**Duluth Community School Collaborative, Duluth: \$980**

To support access to food during out-of-school time for students.

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