KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Board awards four grants totaling $4,000

Grants support northeastern Minnesota projects that are planned and carried out by area children and youth

Northeast MN – The youth board members of the Northland Foundation’s KIDS PLUS Youth In Philanthropy Program have awarded $4,000 in four grants during its winter 2019 round of grantmaking to support youth-driven projects across the region. The board is made up of 15 high school students from Cloquet, Duluth, Ely, Hibbing, McGregor, Moose Lake, and Superior, WI, and four adult mentors.

Youth In Philanthropy receives key funding support from the Minnesota Power Foundation, Northland Foundation, and members of the Foundation’s Emeritus Trustee Group. The remaining grants round this year has an application deadline of April 1, 2019. Learn more at www.northlandfdn.org/kids-plus/youth-programs.php.

The grants awarded at the Youth In Philanthropy January 2019 board meeting are as follows.

**REACH Mentoring Program, Cloquet: $1,000**
To expand the SOS Program to Cloquet middle school students and provide opportunities to raise suicide awareness, support peers, share coping skills, and more.

**Two Harbors High School - ISD #381, Two Harbors: $1,000**
To support a local "Find the Kind Challenge" that encourages people to positively impact someone’s mental health through acts of kindness.

**Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota, St. Paul: $1,000**
To provide resources and information that promote body positivity throughout local high schools and middle schools located in northeastern Minnesota.

**Falls Elementary School - ISD #361, International Falls: $1,000**
To support healthy activities through cross country skiing on local trails.