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## COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NORTHWEST MISSISSIPPI COMPETITIVE GRANT FROM UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

1. **THE ENDOWMENT FOR THE FUTURE OF NORTHWEST MISSISSIPPI.** grant funding provides support to nonprofit organizations in the 11-county region of the Foundation. Focus areas for funding include:
  - ❑ **Health.** Example: Sustainable food systems such as: support for farmers' markets, community gardens, mobile food market, healthy-food convenience stores.
  - ❑ **Active Living.** Example: Support communities for bike lanes (along with youth bike safety instructions), walking trails, reducing 'park deserts.'
  - ❑ **Education / Youth.** Example: Cultural, Historical and Arts Education.
  - ❑ **Youth Leadership** programs.
  - ❑ **After school mentoring / tutoring programs.**
2. **The Early Childhood Education Endowment** grants funds for early childhood education programs, for example:
  - ❑ Excel By 5 program in the 11-county region
  - ❑ Seed funds for Candidate and Certified Excel By 5 communities
  - ❑ Support for communities seeking Dolly Parton Imagination Library
  - ❑ First Regional Library's Words on Wheels (Mobile Library) to pre-school facilities
  - ❑ Baby University
3. **Placed-Based Learning & Civic Entrepreneurship Endowment** grants funds for the purpose of teaching and learning using the local environment and communities as the context for learning. Place-Based learning focuses on utilizing local resources as teaching tools. It is designed to improve students, educators, local citizens, and policy makers to be lifelong learners and agents of positive change with local places – as well as the larger world – as their classroom.
4. **Technology and Education Endowment** grants are awarded to non-profit organizations for purposes including: summer technology camps and workshops for teachers, innovative technology workshops for students outside regular classroom time, train the trainer events, entrepreneurship support utilizing EverFi, ways to use technology to advance learning and early childhood learning through technology (pre-school, summer classes).

**Additional information on each fund with deadlines, applications, and guidelines can be found at [www.cfnm.org](http://www.cfnm.org) or email [grants@cfnm.org](mailto:grants@cfnm.org) .**

**NOTE: Funding operational expenses is not a priority with the Foundation.  
Grant Deadlines: Feb. 1, May 1, August 1 and Nov. 1 through competitive grant applications found on-line at [www.cfnm.org](http://www.cfnm.org)**