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International Paper to Host Virtual Foundation Grant Workshop

PENSACOLA, FLORIDA (June 30, 2022) –The International Paper Pensacola Mill will award **\$63,000** in foundation grants and is hosting a free, virtual workshop to review the application process with interested non-profit organizations and local government entities.

The workshop is scheduled for **Thursday, July 14 at 10 a.m.** and will focus on eligibility, criteria, and restrictions. Reservations to attend the workshop are required as a link for the virtual meeting will be distributed; however, attendance is not mandatory for eligibility.

The International Paper Foundation makes sustainable investments to address critical needs in the communities where its employees live and work.

“International Paper grants are an impactful way we continue to be a force of good in the community,” said Whitney Fike, communications manager. “These grants help organizations fund new projects and programs that support their critical mission and impact those in need.”

Signature Causes include:

- **Education** – Programs focused on helping children succeed via a comprehensive approach to education. Priority is given to literacy programs from birth through 3rd grade.
- **Hunger** – Programs dedicated to improving food security throughout our communities.
- **Health & Wellness** – Programs that promote healthy living habits.
- **Disaster Relief** – Programs that help communities prepare for and recover from natural disasters.

Funding also is available to address **environmental initiatives** (forests, water and air), **employee involvement** grants and other **critical community needs**.

Applicants must be a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or qualifying federal entity to apply for a grant. To be considered, organizations must have a program that addresses critical community needs and have measurable objectives to demonstrate impact. **Applications will be accepted at www.ipgiving.com until August 7, 2022.**

To request the link to attend the workshop, contact Whitney Fike, Communications Manager, at whitney.fike@ipaper.com or call 850-968-3076.

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Congratulations to our 2021 International Paper Grant Recipients:

1. Autism Pensacola – Kids for Camp Summer Learning Lab - \$5,000
2. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwest Florida – Feeding our Little Family - \$2,000
3. Boys & Girls Club of the Emerald Coast – Junior Novelist - \$1,295
4. Bright Bridge Ministries – Hot, Healthy Meals - \$5,000
5. Camp Fire Gulf Wind, Inc. – LitCamp – After School Literacy Lab - \$1,250
6. Children’s Home Society – After School and Summer Education - \$2,000
7. Council on Aging of West Florida – Clean Water Kids - \$2,000
8. Creative Learning Academy – Expanding Minds with the Power of Literacy - \$1,000
9. Every Child a Reader dba ReadyKids! – Project Ready Book Distribution - \$3,000
10. Feeding the Gulf Coast – Backpack Program: Weekend Meals for Children - \$5,000
11. FoodRaising Friends – Replacing School Meals - \$3,000
12. Gulf Coast Kids House – Reducing Abusive Head Trauma through Education - \$2,000
13. Health and Hope Clinic – Access to Care - \$5,000
14. Institute for Human and Machine Cognition – Free hands-on STEM: Science Saturdays - \$1,500
15. Jim Allen Elementary School – Ready to Read! - \$2,500
16. Junior League of Pensacola – Child Wellness Program - \$1,500
17. Kingsfield Elementary – Ready to Read! - \$3,000
18. Manna Food Bank – Healthy Kids Initiative - \$4,000
19. Pace Center for Girls – Ready through Remediation - \$1,495
20. Pensacola Children’s Chorus – Preparatory Choir - \$1,000
21. Pensacola Little Theatre – Dramatically Healthy Kids - \$1,750
22. Pensacola MESS Hall – Science in the Libraries - \$1,300
23. Ronald McDonald House of Northwest Florida – Hope for Hurting Families - \$5,000
24. The Global Corner – Let’s Visit Israel Activity Book - \$2,600
25. The Salvation Army – Food for a Senior - \$1,250
26. United Methodist Children’s Home – Milton Girls Group Home Meals - \$1,000
27. University of West Florida Foundation – Community Garden Orchard Project - \$5,000
28. Valerie’s House – Family Grief Support - \$3,000
29. West Florida Historic Preservation – Land and Sea Wonders on the Gulf Coast - \$5,000

About the International Paper Foundation

The International Paper Foundation is one of the ways International Paper strives to reach our vision to be among the most successful, sustainable and responsible companies in the world. Started in 1952, the foundation annually provides millions in grants to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations to address critical needs in the communities where our employees live and work. Funding priority is given to programs related to our signature causes: education, hunger, health & wellness, disaster relief and initiatives that improve our planet. For more information, visit ipgiving.com.

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