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## YGMC INFORMATION

The Greater Salina Community Foundation is a collection of funds designed to link donors with charitable causes. In collaboration with our donors, the Foundation strives to enhance all areas of life including, but not limited to, education, environment, civic and human services, health care and the arts. The Greater Salina Community Foundation is not so much a *place* to give, but a *way* to give.

Youth GrantMakers Council (YGMC) is a program of the Greater Salina Community Foundation that creates and supports exciting opportunities for Saline County youth to be active leaders in their community. YGMC gives money to youth-directed projects that address community issues and challenges. YGMC is unique because young people make the decisions about which youth projects get money for their ideas! Some past projects have been renovating a high school student lounge, remodeling a meeting room for a youth program, and purchasing a basketball goal for youth group.

The representatives of YGMC are: Miranda Basinger, Ansley Bender, Lara Brockway, Dane Butts, Damion Cooper, Dekeysha Cooper, Hunter Lindquist, Kate Martens, Brooklyn McElderry, Cindy Nguyen, Vaughn Plumer, Sara Prendergast, William Reid, Jack Rhodes, Alyse Weishaar, and Emily Wood. YGMC is assisted by volunteers, Ken Miller and Margaret Yarnevich, and by YGMC advisor Jessica Martin.

The members of YGMC come from five different schools, all representing different backgrounds. However, all of the members have one thing in common: they all care about our community. The council's main focus is to award grants to other groups of students who wish to better the community.

Those who wish to apply for grants must meet the following criteria:

- Grant must be written by youth no older than eighteen
- Project location must be within Saline County
- Application must be completed in full and postmarked by March 1<sup>st</sup>
- A plan of how the funds will be used and how they will better the community must be provided
- A follow-up report must be submitted if awarded a grant

YGMC would like to thank their funding partners: The Earl Bane Foundation, The Salina Regional Health Foundation, Donna Vanier.

If you have any questions visit our website [www.ygmc.org](http://www.ygmc.org) or email us at: [jessicamartin@gscf.org](mailto:jessicamartin@gscf.org).



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# Top 10 Ways to Write a Successful Grant:

1. Be detailed, but not wordy
2. Tell us what you honestly plan to buy
3. Be open to taking less than your minimum
4. Your timeline may be written as a few sentences or as a list
5. Try to pick a project that helps as many youth as possible
6. Don't be afraid to admit that your project may not be completed without our help
7. Remember that YGMC is unable to fund trips, debt repayments, and scholarships
9. Review your application for errors once you have completed it
- 10. TURN APPLICATION IN ON TIME WITH 19 COPIES**



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Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grant Writer(s) Name(s) and Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate piece of paper, tell us in a **maximum of two typed pages**:

1. Tell us why this project matters to you and how you feel it benefits the community, also explain why you need our support
2. Explain what role youth will play in this project
3. Describe the details of your project
4. Include a rough timeline and a detailed budget of your project
5. Tell us how you will know that your project was successful
6. In addition to your two typed pages, we welcome any supplemental materials, brochures, etc. with your application.
7. Include **19 copies** of the completed grant application proposal

What is the goal of your project? \_\_\_\_\_

How much funding do you want to receive? (\$2000 max) \_\_\_\_\_

How much are you willing to receive? (minimum) \_\_\_\_\_

List other funding sources: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you feel that your project can be completed without YGMC's help? \_\_\_\_\_

Who or what informed you about YGMC? \_\_\_\_\_

If selected, to what non-profit organization shall the check be made out to? \_\_\_\_\_

Employer ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(GSCF prefers to write checks to non-profit organizations, but it is possible to issue a check to an individual.)

**Return completed application to:**

YGMC  
P.O. Box 2876  
Salina, KS 67402-2876

**MUST BE POSTMARKED BY: March 1, 2012**

**YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETE FOR CONSIDERATION**