



**Mille Lacs Band Warriorism Grants**  
**Office of the Chief Executive**  
**Application**

At the 2019 State of the Band Address, Chief Executive Benjamin made the following statement:

*“There are many new warriors who have come forward this past year. Band Members have been organizing in their Districts, holding meetings about their local concerns, even doing research and sharing information with other Band Members. Many times in the past, the Band government has tried to get community advisory councils off the ground in each district, but these never took hold for very long.*

*What is different with these new groups, is that just like Sober Squad -- these new groups were started by Band Members, not the Band government.*

*First Lady Michelle Obama wrote, “Do we settle for the world as it is, or do we work for the world as it should be?” All over, Band Members are getting busy in our community, as activists, working for the world we want and know we should have.*

*This year, small grants will be available to Band community groups, which they can use to support their work. Look for more information about these grants in the coming months, and Chi Miigwech to all our community activists!”*

The Mille Lacs Band Warriorism Grant is the result of this commitment made at the 2019 State of the Band Address and is being funded by the Office of the Chief Executive. All Mille Lacs Band Members or groups of Band Members are eligible to apply for these small grants of up to \$3000 to support community activism.

**To be considered for a grant, all applicants must fill out this form in its entirety.**

Grant applications should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Executive. Ten (10) grants for up to \$5000 may be awarded. Applications will be scored based on applicant’s ability to demonstrate that the Mille Lacs Band community in one or more Districts or the Urban Area will directly benefit from community activism supported by the grant project.

## Office of the Chief Executive Small Grant Application

1. Name of Proposed Program / Project: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Contact Name/Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Description of Grant:

a. Who will be responsible for administering the grant?

b. Which Mille Lacs Band communities or groups will be impacted in a positive way through this grant? (Check all that apply)

- Elders
- Children/Youth
- MLB Women
- MLB Men
- Ogitchidaa
- Primarily District I
- Primarily District II
- Primarily District IIA
- Primarily District III
- Urban Area
- Other (please write in) \_\_\_\_\_

c. Which of the following possible Community Activism areas will be a focus of the grant? (Check all that Apply)

- Addiction/Recovery/Sobriety
- Language Preservation/Restoration
- Wellness

- Food/Agriculture/Gardening
- Natural Resources/harvesting
- Environmental protection
- Education
- Public Safety
- Housing
- Responsible/good Governance
- Other:\_\_\_\_\_

5. If there is an organization or entity that has promised to provide a “Matching Grant” in the event that you are able to obtain this grant, please list source of matching funds and dollar amount expected. \*Note: This is only informational and not a requirement of receiving this grant.

6. How will you or the group your project helps know whether the project is successful? Please briefly explain.

7. Are you collaborating with any other existing organizations or offices? (Yes/No)

If “yes”, please explain how. \* Note this is only informational and not a requirement receiving this grant.

8. What is the timeline for this project, from start to finish?

9. Budget

a. What is the total grant request? (Up to \$5000) \$\_\_\_\_\_

b. Total Matching Funding (if any) \$\_\_\_\_\_

c. Total Grant Project Budget \$\_\_\_\_\_

10. All grants must include a separate attachment with a simple budget that shows exactly how you will spend the grant amount you are requesting, and write a brief statement that justifies why spending grant money in this line item is necessary.

These line items could include things like paper, printing, renting meeting rooms, refreshments for meetings, group child care during meetings, or other costs you expect to incur to complete the project. Please write a summary of each line item and how that money will be used.

The following is a sample of how a simple budget could be formatted, but please use whatever format works best for you.

**\* REMEMBER TO SUBMIT YOUR BUDGET TO THIS APPLICATION  
OR IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED \***