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## **Yates Community Endowment Extends Grant Application Deadline**

The turmoil and devastation resulting from flash floods in mid-May have prompted the Yates Community Endowment to extend the application deadline for its 2014 grants by three weeks. The new deadline is **Friday, June 20**.

Applicants must be a 501(c)(3) organization or sponsored by a charitable, nonprofit organization and intend to use the grant in Yates County to benefit Yates County residents.

Successful applications will:

- Focus on an unmet need;
- Address an important quality of life and/or economic development issue;
- Offer broad community benefit;
- Be rooted in the local community and build on local strengths;
- Avoid duplication with other programs or services;
- Demonstrate that the project can be sustained if the project is expected to continue beyond the grant period; and
- Be able to measure the project's success and its results in the community.

Grants will not support individual residents, debt reduction, religious activities, or endowment campaigns.

The typical grant size is between \$1,000 and \$5,000 and will be considered by a grants committee of the all-local, all-volunteer Yates Community Endowment Advisory Board.

Find the application online at [www.racf.org/Yates](http://www.racf.org/Yates). For additional questions, contact Joy Benson, regional coordinator at Rochester Area Community Foundation, at [jbenson@racf.org](mailto:jbenson@racf.org) or 585.341.4412.

The Yates Community Endowment, an affiliate of Rochester Area Community Foundation, was founded in 2011 by a group of committed residents interested in securing the future of Yates County. The Endowment awarded \$16,500 in grants to local nonprofits last year.