## Bloomfield Greater Together Community Fund



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**Attention Bloomfield residents!** Can you imagine what you might be able to do in Bloomfield with a pool of charitable dollars? Your participation is needed!

The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving has established a Greater Together Community Fund for each of the 29 towns in its funding area, which includes Bloomfield. The purpose of the community funds is to support residents in taking ownership of their town's needs. In the kick-off year, up to \$50,000 will be available for each town and a matching amount of \$50,000 will be invested. In subsequent years, interest from the invested funds will be available for distribution.

An ADVISORY COMMITTEE of town residents is now being formed. The committee will represent all residents of Bloomfield. The Advisory Committee will identify community needs and will design a grantmaking process that engages residents and ensures that the dollars awarded will have a beneficial impact on town residents. We invite you to consider joining the Advisory Committee.

WHO can be on the Advisory Committee?

- You must be a Bloomfield resident, age 14 or over
- 5-15 members will be selected, reflective of town demographics
- Elected officials are not eligible
- Term limits; max of 6 consecutive years (exact terms to be determined by Advisory Committee once it is formed)
- Committee members will need to abide by a conflict of interest policy

HOW do I apply? (choose one of these options)

Visit <u>www.hfpg.org/bloomfieldcf</u> to learn more about the project and to access the Advisory
 Committee application form. It can be filled out and submitted by email to
 <u>bloomfieldcommunityfund@gmail.com</u>. You may also print the application, complete it and
 mail to: Bloomfield Community Fund, c/o Willard, 21 Schuyler Lane, Bloomfield, CT 06002-1534

## Questions? You can contact the selection committee at <u>bloomfieldcommunityfund@gmail.com</u>.

When we think about Greater Hartford, with the willpower, intelligence and conviction in this region, there's truly no limit to what we can achieve together.

I asked you to imagine what you might be able to do in your community if you had a few more resources. What if each and every community in our region had a pool of dollars at their disposal to help their dreams become realities? Imagine what might be possible. -Jay Williams, Hartford Foundation President