**Greater Together Community Fund of Suffield**

**Advisory Committee Application**

The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving has established the Suffield Community Fund to enable Suffield residents to take ownership of meeting needs in our town and to encourage broad and inclusive civic engagement. The fund has an initial investment of $100,000 - $50,000 to spend and $50,000 to remain in endowment to grow for future needs.

An Advisory Committee is needed to manage the fund and should be inclusive and reflective of all Suffield residents. The Advisory Committee will be responsible for deciding on the committee’s operating procedures, developing a process to receive and evaluate applications to the fund, and making funding decisions.

Participation in the Advisory Committee is open to all Suffield residents age 14 and older, with the exception of elected officials. Previous experience in community organizations or in grant-making is not needed. Individuals who have not previously participated in community organizations are welcome and encouraged to apply!

The Advisory Committee will launch its work by fall 2020. Advisory Committee members will be expected to make a minimum one year commitment, with a maximum six year commitment. The regular time commitment, schedule and operating procedures will be determined by the Advisory Committee once formed, but will probably be at least 1-2 hours per month. Social distancing can be accommodated as needed with conference calls, on-line sharing etc. If in person meetings resume, transportation assistance is available.

**Instructions for Applying:**

***Please submit your Advisory Committee application as soon as possible. The membership selection process will begin after May 6, 2020.*** Applicants will be contacted by June 15, 2020 for a brief conversation. The selection process is targeted for completion by July 15, 2020.

Apply online via the online application at [https://forms.gle/Sa7x4GWaLUXYFwSDA](https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=https%3a%2f%2fforms.gle%2fSa7x4GWaLUXYFwSDA&c=E,1,nv6QDN3Og20TSJb3Ou2gbItVmhGSkvIfAFYC6DL_IKDonFZpWYHlectdb6aaskDBQTr3eiltWLV3ZgKumsXxvIHeiB_9TSZgNitnkiApL4r3Y7GN4g,,&typo=1), download the form at [www.hpfg.org/suffieldcf](http://www.hpfg.org/suffieldcf) to return via email at suffieldcf@gmail.com, or mail the completed application to: Community Fund Advisory Committee Application, C/O Kris Kelliher, 1015 Newgate Rd, West Suffield, CT 06093.

**Suffield Community Fund**

**Advisory Committee Application Form**

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| **Full name:** | **Suffield Address:** |
| **Phone Number:** | **Email Address:** |
| **Are you able to commit to this advisory committee for at least one year?** Yes  No  Maybe | |
| It is the intention of the Advisory Committee to be welcoming and inclusive to a diverse group of participants. **Do you have any barriers to your participation that we may be able to accommodate?** These might include transportation, translation, conference calls, babysitting needs, etc. | |
| **Why are you interested in being part of Suffield’s Advisory Committee?** | |
| **What do you hope to bring to the Advisory Committee?** | |
| **Tell us something about yourself.**  It is important to select an Advisory Committee, which represents many of Suffield’s wonderful community members. To the extent you are comfortable you may want to include things like work experience, family, educational background, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, age, etc. | |
| **If you are under 18 years of age, you will need permission from a parent or legal guardian to apply.**  I       give permission for       to apply to be a member of the Suffield Community Fund Advisory Committee, and if accepted, to participate in meetings / activities of the same. I understand the Community Fund may wish to make known the success of this effort, and I authorize my child to appear in photographs or videos for this purpose.  **Parent / Guardian Signature:**       **Date:** | |

**Application does not ensure acceptance on Advisory Committee. Thank you for applying!**