

**Rose Community Foundation
Endowment Cohort Program 2017-18**

Rose Community Foundation is extending invitations to nonprofit organizations interested in establishing endowment funds at Rose Community Foundation and participating in our Endowment Cohort program.

Overview of the Endowment Cohort:

- Participation in the cohort requires at least one professional staff member and one board member of the organization to commit to participating in six development training sessions from September 2017 through April 2018. The first session will be held on September 28, 2017.
- Cohort sessions will include training and peer discussions related to endowment building and planned giving programs. Included are topics such as gift acceptance policies, solicitations, marketing and communications and stewardship programs for endowment and planned giving donors.
- Participating nonprofit organizations will be required to attend the six training sessions and meet the development benchmarks of the program, which include creating an integrated development plan.
- Once you agree to participate in the cohort and open a new endowment fund at Rose Community Foundation, with a minimum of \$10,000, a \$5,000 matching grant from Rose Community Foundation will be deposited into the fund.
- As the program progresses, your organization will be required to deposit an additional \$5,000 into your endowment fund. Rose Community Foundation will then deposit an additional \$5,000 matching grant into the fund.
- Successful completion of the seven-month cohort program and minimum contributions of \$15,000 into the endowed fund qualifies your organization for a total of \$10,000 in matching funds from Rose Community Foundation, to assist you in achieving our minimum endowment fund balance of \$25,000.
- The overarching goal is for your organization to have a fully integrated development plan and an established endowment fund to ensure the future sustainability of your mission.

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