



AGENDA OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

Municipal Building 15 South College Ave. Oxford, Ohio 45056 Second Floor Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026 AT 9:00 AM

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1. Call to Order
 2. Approval of the Minutes
 - A. Minutes from the September 8, 2025, Subcommittee Meeting.
 3. Review 2027 Community Assistance Grants
 4. Public Comments
 5. Adjourn



MINUTES
OXFORD CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT SUB-
COMMITTEE MEETING

Municipal Building 15 South College Ave. Oxford, Ohio 45056 Second Floor Conference Room

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 AT 3:00 PM

1. Approval of the Minutes

A. Minutes from the September 10, 2024, Sub-Committee Meeting.

A Community Assistance Program Sub-Committee meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by City Manager Douglas. R. Elliott Jr. on Monday, September 8, 2025, at 3:05 p.m. Members in attendance were Michael Smith, Jason Barcken, and Chantel Raghu.

Staff Members in Attendance were:

Mr. Douglas R. Elliott Jr., City Manager; Ms. Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager; Ms. Rebecca Smith, Intern; and Ms. Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council.

Motion – To Approve the minutes from the September 10, 2024, Sub-Committee Meeting.

(Voice Vote) 1st Mr. Bracken 2nd Mr. Smith

AYE # 3

NAY # 0

ABS # 0

2. Topic

A. Review New 2025 Request

B. Review 2026 Community Assistance Grant Applications

Mr. Elliott began the meeting by explaining the Community Assistance Program and the requested Council involvement. Ms. Greene presented slides for each applicant, highlighting the awards made in 2025 and the requests for 2026 (slides included in minutes). Ms. Greene and Mr. Elliott addressed questions from the sub-committee. After reviewing applications and program details from all nine applicants for 2026 and the special request for 2025, the sub-committee made a recommendation to bring forward to the City Council (slide with updated award amounts included in minutes).

Motion – To recommend that the Updated List of Awards be approved by the City Council at the September 16, 2025, meeting.

(Voice Vote) 1st Mr. Bracken 2nd Ms. Smith

AYE # 3

NAY # 0

ABS # 0

3. Adjourn.

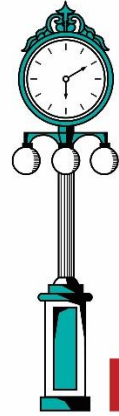
Motion – To Adjourn at 3:48 pm.

(Voice Vote) 1st Mr. Smith 2nd Ms. Raghu

AYE # 3

NAY # 0

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2026 Community Assistance Application Review



Summary

\$161,000.00 to award

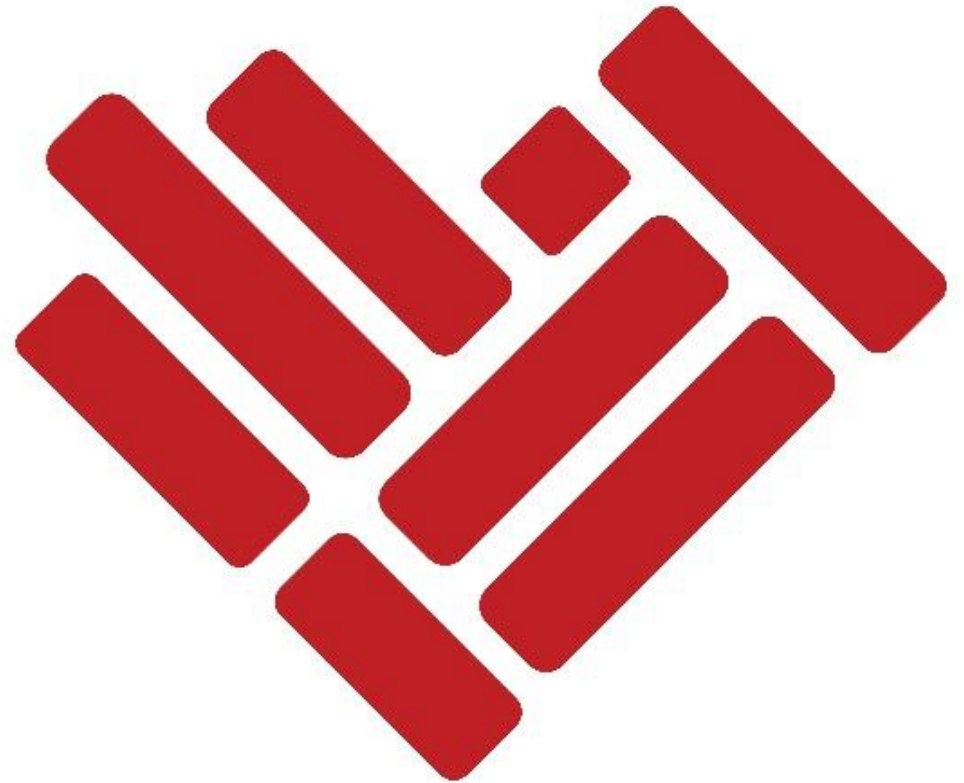
\$184,500.00 requested

Must be a 501 (c) (3). (Not a 501 (c) (6), 501 (c) (7), etc.)

Funds may be used for operational and/or capital expenses.

Sustained programs (repeat applicants)

These programs have been funded
for numerous years.



Oxford Free Clinic

2026 request: \$5,0000

2025 award: \$5,000

Services:

Two times a month, the Oxford Free Clinic holds a clinic where impoverished residents (<200% FPL) can see a family doctor for free. We also have a gynecologist on staff the 2nd Wednesday of the month to provide women-specific care., We work to ensure that patients can afford all necessary diagnostic procedures (more complex procedures must be done at McCullough-Hyde/TriHealth hospital, providing financial assistance when necessary.

75 Oxford residents served in 2025

Oxford Community Foundation

2026 request: \$31,500

2025 award: \$28,200

Services:

3 program requests:

Grants to area nonprofits: \$9,000

- Backpack program

- Women helping women

- Interfaith center

- Family Resource Center

Scholarships: \$2,700

Staffing: \$19,800

Oxford Community Arts Center

2026 request: \$10,000

2025 award: \$10,000

Services:

Diverse cultural programming and preservation of the Oxford College for Women building.

2nd Fridays

Free Movie Fridays

Family Shows

Gritty Canvas

Art Sparks

Talawanda Oxford Pantry & Social Services (TOPSS)

2026 request: \$64,500

2025 award: \$64,500

Services:

Groceries – Weekly distribution of nutritious food and hygiene items to support families who are struggling to make ends meet.

Rent Assistance – Direct financial support to prevent eviction and keep families securely housed.

Utility Assistance – Direct support to keep essential services like water, gas, and electricity connected, preventing household crises.

Oxford Seniors

2026 request: \$38,000

2025 award: \$27,974

Services:

Adult Recreational programming: \$8,000

Adult Outreach programming: \$10,000

Adult Transportation: \$20,000

NKOTB

New kids on the block

These programs received funding last year for the 1st time.



McCullough Hyde Foundation

2026 request: \$15,000

2025 award: \$10,000

Services:

Program Overview: CARES is a TriHealth program staffed by Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE), who are trained registered nurses, at six local TriHealth hospital emergency departments, including McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital in Oxford. CARES has been operating since 1999 and exists to improve the safety of our community.



Oxford Catty Shack

2026 request: \$5,000

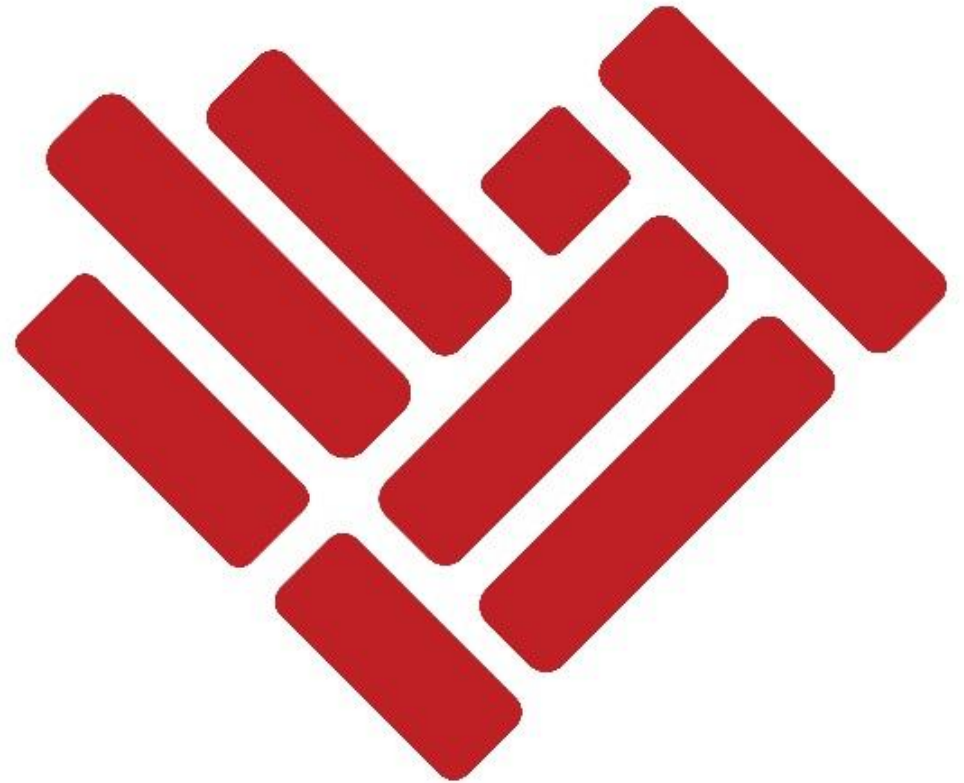
2025 award: \$5,000

Services:

Reducing the suffering of feral, abused, neglected, abandoned, and/or homeless cats and kittens within the Talawanda School District.

New requests

These are 1st time applications



MUing Cat Rescue

2026 request: \$5,500

Services:

Initiation of a spay and neuter service for 20 cats through an Oxford cat rescue program that has a larger intake than MUing Cat Rescue.

Coalition for a Healthy Community

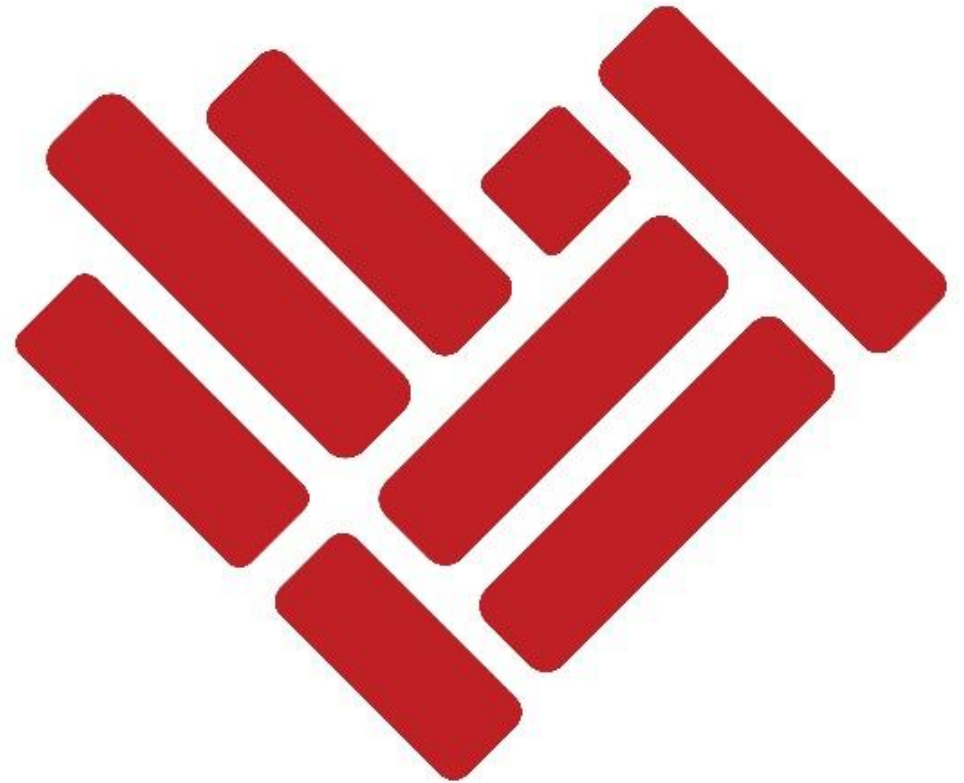
2026 request: \$10,000

Services:

Requested funds will be used to support general operating expenses, including staff salary and evaluation services

Coalition identifies priority needs and implements population-based strategies to improve health outcomes for Oxford Area residents. Currently, the Coalition seeks to build a healthier community in the priority areas of substance use/misuse, mental health, active living, and healthy eating, in alignment with MHMH's Community Health Needs Assessment.

**A 2025 additional
request**



Thread Up Oxford

2025 additional request:

Services:

Clothing assistance.

Special note:

Received \$10,000 in 2025. It has since lost its board of directors and is not functioning as a 501 (c) (3). The request is for an additional \$10,000 to cover operations for the remainder of 2025. (Rent and utilities)

Hoping to find a new 501 c 3 partnership for 2026

Organization	2026 Recommended
Oxford Free Clinic	\$ 5,000.00
Oxford Community Foundation	\$ 29,300.00
Oxford Community Arts Center	\$ 10,000.00
Talawanda Oxford Pantry & Social Services	\$ 64,500.00
Oxford Seniors	\$ 29,100.00
McCullough-Hyde Foundation	\$ 11,100.00
The MUing Cat Rescue	\$ 2,000.00
Coalition For a Healthy Community	\$ 10,000.00
Total	\$ 161,000.00