

# 2024 Bayfield County Community Wellness Initiative (formerly Health Infrastructure Grant)

**Project Description:** A community wellness initiative that promotes the health infrastructure of Bayfield County, its residents and visitors.

**Purpose:** Provide the community with assistance to create the opportunity for a better place to live by supporting infrastructure for physical activity, promoting health and wellness.

## Our Vision:

Healthy people, communities, and environment for a superior Bayfield County

## Grant Details:

- **Applications are open from February 1, 2024 through Sunday, April 28, 2024.**
- Cost sharing of 50% from Bayfield County with local communities.
- Up to \$5,000 per project for cost-sharing. Minimum of \$1,000 request for grants.
- Up to \$30,000 of funds available county-wide.
- Grant funds may only be used for materials, equipment and contractual costs.
- Community may include donations of equipment, materials, parts, labor, and time in 50% cost-sharing. (Labor contributions up to \$10/hour.)
- Approved grant expenses will be reimbursed upon project completion.
- Any funds awarded must not be used to replace (supplant) funds that have already been appropriated for the project.
- **Projects must be completed by June 30, 2025.**

## Criteria for Selection:

- Projects must create an opportunity for physical activity and/or promotion of healthy living. Special preference will be given to projects that promote health and wellness for persons of all ages.
- Projects must focus on improving wellness opportunities in Bayfield County.
- Project proposals will be accepted from towns, cities, village or tribe located within Bayfield County. Community groups may work through these government entities.
- Project proposals must demonstrate local commitment in the form of two letters of support from community members or organizations.
- Selection of projects will be determined by the *Community Wellness Initiatives Committee*.
- **Grant recipients will be announced by Wednesday, May 15th, 2024.**

## Suggestions for Project Proposals:

- Improvements or outdoor exercise systems along hiking trails
- Walking path development, sidewalks or other walking paths
- Playground equipment or interactive outdoor exercise equipment
- Community gardens
- Safety or user accessibility enhancements in parks or at swimming beaches (example: lifejacket stations, lifeguard chair, benches, walkways)
- Basketball, volleyball, pickleball or tennis courts
- Skateboard or wheel parks
- Establish a new farmers market or infrastructure to support farmers markets.
- **Other proposed projects are welcome.**

## Example Equipment:

Equipment	Cost	Description
Station Sign	\$250	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Small station signs for use along trails or paths.</li></ul>
Sign Boards	\$658	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Larger sign for trail information or instructions on proper use of equipment.</li></ul>
Sit-Up Bench	\$844	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Improves the strength of abdominal muscles and the flexor group of muscles of the hip and upper thigh.</li></ul>
Vertical Jump	\$954	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Measures the distance that the center of gravity can be raised; improves leg strength and fitness.</li></ul>
Chest Press/Lat Pull	\$1,398	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two side-by-side exercise stations in one to promote upper body strength.</li></ul>
Uneven Bars	\$1,479	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Multi-use equipment for a variety of exercises including chin-ups.</li></ul>

**Resources:** Resources listed for commercial products or services are provided for the convenience of grant applicants and does not constitute endorsement, recommendation or favoring on the part of Bayfield County.

- Outdoor-Fitness <http://www.outdoor-fitness.com/>
- PlayCore <https://fitness.playcore.com/exercises/>



## Questions?

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