



**Cox Charities Northeast
2017 Community Grant Application**

Cox Charities Northeast, a charitable giving initiative of Cox Communications, is currently accepting applications for its 2017 Cox Charities Community Grant program. Cox Charities Community Grants supports non-profit organizations providing **summer enrichment and after-school programming focusing on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) learning.**

Grant Process: Applications will be accepted electronically until **January 18, 2017.**

Funding Criteria: Proposals will be judged on the degree to which the following criteria are met:

- Have current exemption under 501(c)(3) of the IRS code.
- Serve areas within Cox's Northeast service areas: the State of Rhode Island, excluding Block Island; the following 19 cities and towns in Connecticut: Meriden, Cheshire, Southington, East Granby, East Windsor, Enfield, Granby, Hartland, Somers, Stafford, Suffield, Union, Windsor Locks, Manchester, Glastonbury, Newington, Rocky Hill, South Windsor, and Wethersfield; Cleveland, Ohio.
- Focus on increasing academic achievement in *science, technology, engineering, arts and math* (STEAM) and the positive development of youth during the *summer and after-school time frame.*
- **Preference** will be given to programs that *collaborate closely with low performing middle schools*, as defined by the State of Rhode Island, Connecticut Departments of Education and the Ohio School Department. Please be sure to include the report card for the partnering school. This can be found online through the Department of Education.
- The afterschool program must be provided following the traditional school day (Monday – Friday) during the academic school year (at minimum three days a week). Summer program should be provided for six weeks or more.
- The program must exhibit how the grant (ranging from \$5,000 - \$15,000) will be used in a cost effective manner; including the *number of youth who will benefit from this grant.* Include all financial resources and describe how the program is evaluated, including outcome measurements
- **Cox Conserves!** Applicants that meet the Cox Charities criteria and offer enhancements to after-school programs to **promote environmental conservation** will receive special consideration when applying.
- *The application should not exceed one page, font Times New Roman size 11, margins .5" all around, and single spacing.*
- 2016 Community Grant recipients must include a *one-page* report from the previous year. **Proposals that do not include the previous year's outcome measures will not be reviewed.**
- **Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.**



Limitations: We do not provide grant support to:

- Individuals
- Political campaigns
- Labor or fraternal organizations
- Association chapters
- Religious organizations
- Endowment funds of foundations

Other limitations may apply and will be evaluated on an individual basis.

Submission Process:

- Cox Charities Community Grant applications are being accepted through **January 18, 2017**.
- Applications are to be submitted electronically as Cox is now only accepting online submittals. The application along with other required attachments should be scanned into one document and are to be submitted to Rosaura.Fernandez@cox.com.
- The **subject title of the e-mail** must include the **name of the applying organization**. A standard confirmation of receipt will be sent back to you via e-mail.
- The grants are **reviewed by the Cox Charities Community Advisory Committee** comprised of area civic, business and community leaders and Cox employees.
- For more information contact: Rosie Fernandez at Rosaura.Fernandez@cox.com.
- Grant announcements will be made in March 2017.



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Name of Agency: Cox Tech Super Cool Summer Program

Geographic Area Served: Providence, Rhode Island

Amount Requested: \$11,285

- 1. Description of Agency/Mission:** To provide youth with quality learning programs and recreational activities to keep them engaged and in a safe learning environment.
- 2. Target Population:** Cox Tech serves 200 students from Roger Williams Middle School in Providence who have been identified as needing additional resources. Fifty percent of the students in the Cox Tech program are not meeting grade level requirements in reading or math.
- 3. Description of Program:** The Cox Tech program at Roger Williams Middle School will take place Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. starting June 30 – August 14. Students in the Cox Tech program at Roger Williams will participate in activities such as scriptwriting, producing short film or animation, building a solar powered go-cart, making a bookshelf and much more.

Students will draft a project plan which will include the theme, objective, goals and timeline. The project will encourage students to be active participants in their own learning and allows them to progress physically, socially and intellectually.

Students will keep a journal of their experience and will meet with staff on a weekly basis to review project work. During the final week of the Cox Tech program all of the students will present their projects to other campers, Cox Tech program staff, and Cox Charities Advisory Board members.

4. Expected Outcomes/Results:

- 75% of students will increase their grades in main subject areas including math, science and English
- 85% of students will improve in-school attendance
- 100% will produce a final project and participate in the annual showcase

5. Specific Use of Funds: The Cox Charities grant will be used for direct service instruction and program delivery.

Direct Student Services	50%	\$5,000
Program Delivery (instruction)	50%	\$5,000

- 6. Program Success:** Last year 150 students participated in the Cox Tech program. Of those students, 86% had perfect attendance, 10% missed one or two days and 4% missed 3-5 days. Student assessments improved as well, 52% improved literacy scores and 48% improved in math. During the final week of the summer program all 150 students presented their projects.



Interested organizations should e-mail a completed application along with attachments to:

Cox.Charities@cox.com

In addition to your application please attach the following documents saved as a PDF file:

1. Copy of the most recent IRS 501 (C) (3) tax exempt determination letter.
2. ***Budget for the program being considered*** for funding, including all anticipated expenses and revenues.
3. Letter of support from the principal of the partnering school or from other partners.
4. List of corporations and foundations that have given to the organization in the last year and amount granted.
5. List the organization's members of board of directors, including principal business or professional affiliation of each.

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Section 1: General Information

- Organization Name (as it appears on 501(c)(3) letter) _____
- DBA (Doing Business As, if different from above) _____
- Address _____
- City _____ State _____ Zip _____
- Phone Number _____
- Year Organization Began _____
- Executive Director _____
- Board Chair and Professional Affiliation _____
- Contact Person & Title (for application) _____
- Address, if different from above _____
- Contact Phone _____
- Contact Fax _____



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- 6. Program Success:**