

## **GRANT PREFERENCES**

## For the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative

## **FUNDING GUIDELINES:**

To qualify for grant funding consideration, your organization must meet the following criteria:

- Have current tax-exempt status as nonprofit/not for profit or be a government entity.
- Serve communities that are also served by MIBOR REALTOR® Association. The MIBOR service area includes Boone, Brown, Decatur, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Madison, Marion, Montgomery, Morgan and Shelby counties.
- Serve communities without discrimination regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, national origin, socioeconomic status, political affiliation, or other qualities by which we may define ourselves.
- Have a method by which to measure, track and report one or more program outcomes and specific results that demonstrate measurable community impact.
- Fit within the MIBOR Economic and Community Development mission and vision:

**Mission** - To support organizations and initiatives that build and maintain inclusive and vibrant communities, attract, develop, and retain a skilled regional workforce and work towards the attraction and retention of quality jobs for central Indiana.

**Vision** - Through collaboration and shared commitment, central Indiana will become the best region in the country for people to live, work, play and invest.

## STRONG GRANT APPLICATIONS:

- Show alignment to MIBOR's Community Impact Initiative funding priorities, along with fitting within the mission and vision.
- Are well vetted and show other funding sources or nonfinancial support.
- Are sustainable and have the ability to be maintained.
- Include any promotional benefits MIBOR will receive.
- Describe the need the program/project will address.
- Engage the community where the program/project will take place.
- Describe who from the community will directly benefit from the project/program.
- Provide volunteer opportunities for our members.
- Impact the MIBOR service area.
- Include a detailed program budget.
- Clearly define the impact you are creating in the community or with the affected audience.