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Application deadline is close of business on Friday, July 10, 2026.

Community Accessibility and Inclusion Grant Application

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Supporting Equitable Participation for All Community Members



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Purpose

Tompkins County Whole Health is announcing a funding opportunity and requesting applications from community organizations to implement projects to increase accessibility and inclusion for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) and their families/caregivers. These projects should focus on:

- Enhancement of physical spaces to support CYSHCN and their families; and/or
- Creation of recreational or social support opportunities for CYSHCN.

About This Grant

As a participant in the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Program for the 2025-2030 funding cycle, our organization is eligible for additional one-time funding under the newly developed Community Accessibility and Inclusion (CAI) for CYSHCN Program. Tompkins County Whole Health has decided to spread the funds through the county via community organizations.

Grant Details

- Organizations can apply for up to \$7,500 dollars.
- A total of \$37,500 will be awarded to local organizations.
- The applicant must primarily serve Tompkins County residents (and be based in Tompkins County).
- Local organizations and municipal entities are welcome to apply (non-profit, local municipalities such as parks and recreation, libraries, etc.).

Projects may include (but are not limited to)

- adaptive equipment purchases
- sensory toys and kits for a variety of ages
- workshops/speakers for families of CYSHCN or a peer-to-peer support training
- CYSHCN/neurodivergent exclusive events at movie theatres or local museums

Timeline and Award

- Applications Due: July 10, 2026 by 5pm
- Recipients Announced: July 31, 2026
- Expenditure Deadline: 9/30/2026

What You Will Need

- W9
- EIN Number or Fiscal Sponsor

Reporting

- Applicants must identify at least three (3) measurable project indicators to track progress and outcomes over the grant period.
- Measures should be specific, time-bound, and clearly tied to proposed activities.
- Examples include dates of infrastructure installation (e.g., playground equipment or community resources), dates and attendance of workshops or events, number of participants served, or other quantifiable milestones.
- Final reporting on these measures is required by 9/30/2026.

If you have questions, please send them to chw@tompkins-co.org.

Applicant Information

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Name of Organization/Project/Business *

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Primary Contact Person: Name/Email/Phone Number *

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Website/Social Media

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What type of entity are you? Nonprofit/Small Business/Community Group/Individual Organizer/Other (please explain) *

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This grant prioritizes inclusion and accessibility for children and youth with special health care needs and their families.

a) How do these values align with your organization's mission and current work?

b) Who are the primary populations you serve (including age, geography, and priority or underserved groups)? *

Project Overview

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Brief Description of Your Proposed Project *

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Who will this project serve and how will it make a difference? *

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Total amount requested? \$ *

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Please provide an estimated budget breakdown (example: supplies, materials, staffing, space, rentals, outreach, marketing, etc) *

Optional Information

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Is there anything else you'd like us to know?

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