

Buncombe County FY2019 Strategic Partnership Grants
Application Summary Sheet

Project	Community Club Funding 2019		
Organization	Big Ivy Community Club		

Amount Requested	\$50,000	Strategic Priority or Sustainability Goal	Healthy Living
New or Renewal Request	Renewal	Area Served	District 2

Organization Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The mission of the Big Ivy Community Club (BICC) is to foster inclusive community participation by providing environmentally sound facility for education, recreation, celebration and locally based human services in order to increase opportunity for personal and collective growth in our community. BICC currently serves approximately 2,700 residents annually by providing such services as a weekly food pantry, thrift store and a local gathering place for community celebrations.
Key Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BICC will maintain and run a food pantry for local residents. The food pantry supplies an average of 65 boxes of food a week to households and individuals as well as supplies backpacks with food to the elementary school for students who need nutrition over the weekend. BICC wants to be able to continue to provide these services and expand as needed. The thrift store will continue to be open on days of the food pantry as well as Saturday.
People Served	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Families who participate in the food pantry program include those within the Barnardsville zip code (28709) in addition to those in the unincorporated areas of North Buncombe County. At Barnardsville Elementary School, 72.4 % of the students receive free or reduced meals through the Buncombe County School system.
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BICC will maintain logs of food pantry participation, backpack participation and shoppers at the thrift store. BICC plans to continue to provide needed resources for the community as well as continue to pursue grants in alignment with our mission. BICC has a written record of monthly food pantry activity, as well as a weekly deposit thrift store proceeds. BICC also maintains volunteer hours logged as well as documented community events.

Budget			
Amount Funded FY2108	\$30,000	Increase Request	\$20,000
Administrative Budget	15% (from 2015 IRS Form 990-EZ)	Total Organization Budget:	\$106,199 (projected FY2019)
Other Funding Sources: Food Pantry Donations, Pool Revenue, Thrift Store, Donations/Fundraising, Rental Income			

Strengths			
Project serves underserved, underrepresented, minority, and/or high-need population			
Diverse/Balanced funding sources			
Thoughtful plan to sustain project for future years			

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Application Form

Question Group

Project Name*

Name of Project.

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PROJECT NARRATIVE

Area Served*

Which areas of the County will be served by this project? Which Commissioner District(s) will be served?

A Buncombe County Commissioner district map is available at [THIS LINK](#).

Big Ivy Community Club serves North Buncombe County and is in District 2.

Organization Description*

Tell us about your organization. What is your mission? Highlight two or three key facts and accomplishments that best define your organization.

The mission of the Big Ivy Community Club (BICC) is to foster inclusive community participation by providing environmentally sound facility for education, recreation, celebration and locally based human services in order to increase opportunity for personal and collective growth in our community. BICC currently serves approximately 2700 residents annually by providing such services as a weekly food pantry, thrift store and a local gathering place for community celebrations. The median household income for the Barnardsville community is \$31,000, with 19% of the community living below the poverty level. BICC provides both food through the food pantry and basic necessities through the thrift store for both those in need of help as well as members of the greater Big Ivy Community.

Strategic Priority*

Which of the following priorities best reflects the primary goal of your project?

Buncombe County Commissioners are dedicated to strengthening the quality of life for everyone by setting new fiscally, socially and environmentally responsible goals that will guide decisions and improve our community for future generations. The Board has committed to strategic priorities as a guide to shape partnerships and investments of resources to insure a healthy, safe, well-educated, thriving and sustainable community.

Details about the Strategic Priorities are available at [THIS LINK](#).

Other Sustainability Goal

Strategic Priority - Other Sustainability Goal

If you selected "Other Sustainability Goal" from the list of Strategic Priorities, please list it here.

Details about the Sustainability Goals are available at [THIS LINK](#).

Healthy Living, Citizen Involvement, Equity in Access, Safe, Resilient Community

Shared Vision*

What critical community problem or challenge are you hoping to improve through this project?

BICC is hoping to improve funding to provide services for the community at large, individuals, families and community groups. The budget for BICC was reduced by 35% (\$27,000) for the 2017-18 fiscal year. That reduction in funds has left no money for community events such as 4th of July celebration, Easter celebration, Veteran's Meal, Turkey Shoot or Haunted Trail. In addition, some service contracts were not renewed, the BICC newsletter printing and mailing has been reduced to once a quarter; community events such as a health fair where no money is generated for the community center, has not been scheduled. The board of directors have requested grant funds from several sources to fill that gap, however we still have a significant budget deficit.

Key Steps*

How will the project work? What are specific activities and milestones that your project entails?

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People Served*

Who are the members of our community this project will serve? How many people will be served? Include demographics, including age, area median income, race, neighborhood and/or school.

Families who participate in the food pantry program include those within the Barnardsville zip code (28709) in addition to those in the unincorporated areas of North Buncombe County. At Barnardsville Elementary School, 72.4 % of the students receive free or reduced meals through the Buncombe County School system.

Partners*

Which other organizations are you working with to reach your goals? What other local organizations provide similar services or serve similar beneficiaries, and how do you work together?

Manna Food Bank. Post Office food drive. Local churches. Local farmers who have provided fresh vegetables and fruit to the food pantry. The local boy scout troop both meets at and volunteers at the community center. The elementary school and BICC have a great partnership collaborating on various projects throughout the year.

Personnel*

Who is responsible for the project? Briefly describe project leaders and the role each will play in the project. How do these leaders reflect the population or community that you serve?

BICC Board of Directors is responsible for any projects; with assistance from staff members as well as volunteers. The Board members, who are elected members of the community, create and approve projects recommended by community members as well as participate in the projects.

Success*

How will you measure results? What will success look like? How will you document the impact of your project? Include whether there is a model that serves as basis for project design.

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Funding*

What is your plan for finding the balance of the project budget? What is your funding timeline and what are your other sources of support?

BICC, in addition to this grant, has requested additional funding through other grant processes and organizations.

Sustainability*

How will this project be maintained? Please describe funding sources and how you plan to sustain the project in future years.

BICC will be maintained through various grants as well as Buncombe County funding. BICC will also have community fund raisers, thrift shop profits, facility rentals, swimming pool admissions and special events such as haunted trail and July 4th celebration. We will maintain a rolling grant submission plan throughout the year.

ATTACHMENTS

Project Budget*

Download the budget form at [THIS LINK](#).

Complete the budget form for this project and the overall organization.

Save it to your computer, then upload it.

[strategic-partnership-grants-FY2019-budget-template \(2\).xlsx](#)

Financial Statements*

Upload a copy of the most recently completed financial statements.

All financial statements must be audited, reviewed or compiled by a certified public accountant and include a full balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement.

If your organization does not have financial statements, briefly state the reason.

This document requested has been submitted to county staff.

IRS Form 990*

Upload a copy of the 990 nonprofit tax reporting form that you most recently completed.

If your organization does not have a 990, briefly state the reason.

This document requested has been submitted to county staff.

Board of Directors List*

Upload a current list of your organization's Board of Directors.

If your organization does not have a board of directors, briefly state the reason.

BICC Board 2018.docx
the document requested has been submitted to count

Authorized Signatory

By typing in below the name of the authorized signatory and date of submittal, you acknowledge that your governing body has authorized this application, that it is true and current to your knowledge. As a condition of any

grant awarded, this organization will provide all information in the manner described in the contract to be executed between the organization and Buncombe County or its designee, including program and financial reporting.

Name & Date

Gary Hensley - President of BICC Board of Directors - February 1, 2018