



Grant news  
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## Mary Chilton DAR Foundation awards four grants totaling nearly \$47,000

SIoux FALLS, S.D. - The Mary Chilton DAR Foundation awarded nearly \$47,000 in grants to nonprofit organizations in South Dakota during its mid-year gifting period.

Four grants totaling \$46,924 recently were distributed by the local DAR Foundation. DAR is short for the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Recipients of the grants were:

- South Dakota Symphony Orchestra. \$10,000 to perform “American Roots” as part of its Music Unwound program. The program explores music that is distinctly American. Outreach efforts will include a series of Young People’s Concerts in Sioux Falls and residencies in the Youth Orchestra from South Dakota State University and the University of South Dakota.
- West Central High School in Hartford. \$7,924 to enable students of U.S. history to partner with local military veterans to create a documentary to honor Americans who served. In addition, a scrapbook for display in the library will be created.
- Sioux Falls Pubic Schools Education Foundation. \$15,000. The funding will be used for \$100 grants to supplement existing, \$100 grants that the Education Foundation gives new teachers to help buy classroom supplies. The DAR Foundation award also will help fund Innovation in Education grants for creative teaching projects and materials.
- Children’s Home Society of South Dakota. \$14,000 to update the social studies curriculum at Sioux Falls Children’s Home. Funding also will be used to help build interest in American history and promote good citizenship among students.

“We’re very pleased to be able to assist four organizations with the reach to serve thousands of people in positive ways. The grants also will advance patriotism, education and historic preservation, which are causes supported by DAR,” said Judy Goetz, chair of the DAR Foundation’s Grants Committee. “Children, in particular, will benefit from programs funded by these grants.”

The DAR Foundation typically awards regular grants three times a year. One more distribution period remains in 2018. Sept. 5 is the filing deadline. For application forms and additional information about grant criteria, see [www.DAR-MaryChiltonFoundation.org](http://www.DAR-MaryChiltonFoundation.org).

Proposals for regular grants of \$1,000 to \$15,000 will be considered. In addition to regular grants, mini grants for up to \$1,000 also are available. Mini grants are awarded about every two months through a less formal application process.

The DAR Foundation awards approximately \$100,000 a year to 501 (c)(3) organizations for projects in South Dakota. The DAR Foundation prefers that applications for regular grants be used for specific projects and not be used to partly fund large programs.

The Mary Chilton DAR Foundation is affiliated with the Mary Chilton chapter, NSDAR. The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution strives to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who gave their lives and fortunes for American Independence.