

Bev Hamby Note to Remember to Apply for ENF Grants on 7-1

Remember, the Promise Grant goes to the first 500 Lodges that apply! All Lodges should apply on the First of July to hold your chance on getting this Grant.-Bev



Dear Exalted Rulers and Lodge ENF Grant Coordinators

Lodge Grant applications for Beacon, Freedom, Gratitude and Promise Grants will be available online starting July 1, so throw on your party hat and celebrate with us!

We recently mailed a birthday hat along with grant flyers and a CIP calendar to each Lodge. Email us a festive birthday photo or post it on social media with the hashtag #CIPturns10. Check out who's already posted their [birthday photos on Facebook!](#)

<http://www.elks.org/enf/community/default.cfm>

Preparing for 2015-16 Lodge Grants



Thanks to your donors' generosity during 2014-15, your Lodge is eligible for a \$500 bonus when you apply for the Gratitude Grant this year. Every Lodge in which more than 15 percent of its membership donated to the ENF last year is eligible for this Gratitude Grant Bonus. That means your Lodge's Gratitude Grant will be worth \$2,500 instead of the standard \$2,000 when your Lodge meets the per-member goal for giving this year. Review your Lodge's grant eligibility on the newly updated [CIP Participation Report](#) <http://www.elks.org/ENF/>

Important Dates

July 1: 2015-16

Beacon, Freedom, Gratitude and Promise Grant applications [available online](#).

July 4-9: [Elks National Convention](#) in Indianapolis.

July 31: 2014-15 Beacon, Freedom, Gratitude and Promise Grant projects must be completed.

August 17: 2015-16 [Freedom Grant](#) applications due 12 p.m. (noon) Central Time.

August 31: 2014-15 Beacon, Freedom, Gratitude and Promise Grant Final Report Forms due.

2015-16 CIP CIP Turns 10

The Community Investments Program turns 10 this year! Check out the [CIP's birthday webpage](#) to stay up to date on the CIP celebration.



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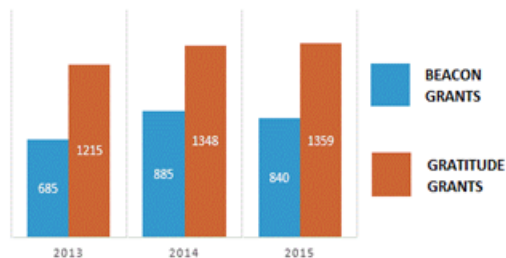
2014, every ENF Legacy scholar is required to serve with the Elks once per year. This service requirement is the perfect way for Lodges to gain support for grant projects and connect with the newest members of the Elks Family.

"Serving with the Elks meant helping others, giving more than I received and making others happy. I had a wonderful day serving with the Elks," says Veronica La Du who served at Point Pleasant, N.J. Lodge No. 1698.

[Visit our website](http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/) to learn more about ENF Scholarships and connect with ENF Scholars.

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Grants in Numbers



As we celebrate the CIP's 10th birthday, it's important to reflect

on the incredible growth of this program. Since its inception in 2005, the CIP's funding has grown nearly 2,700 percent. This advancement can only be attributed to the mighty army of Elk volunteers, like you! Here's a breakdown of the grants progress in recent years. Read more about the program's evolution on the [CIP's 10th birthday webpage](http://www.elks.org/enf/community/cipturns10.cfm). <http://www.elks.org/enf/community/cipturns10.cfm>

Happy birthday CIP!

Sincerely,

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A 501(c)(3) public charity, Elks National Foundation helps Elks build stronger communities through programs that support youth, serve veterans, and meet needs in areas where Elks live and work. *CIP Club* is the monthly e-newsletter about the ENF's Community Investments Program. You are receiving this email because you have managed a Community Investments Program grant project in the past, you are currently listed as the ENF Grants Coordinator for your Lodge, or you requested to receive these monthly emails. If you have questions, contact us using the information below.



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Serve Veterans in Need

Is your Lodge considering using a grant to serve military members or veterans in need? We have just the place for you to start! [Visit our veterans webpage](http://www.elks.org/enf/community/veterans.cfm) for guidelines, resources and examples.

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