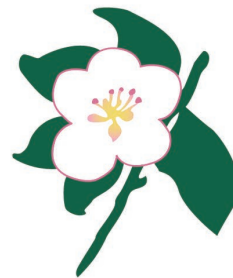


# NASHOBA VALLEY COMMUNITY HEALTH GRANT PROGRAM

Information Session



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## Grant Program Overview

- Mission: to advance the community health of residents in twelve (12) communities: Ashby, Ayer, Bolton, Devens, Groton, Harvard, Lancaster, Littleton, Lunenburg, Pepperell, Shirley, and Townsend.
- Priority: improving access to quality healthcare for the residents of the Nashoba Valley region
  - Primary and preventative care
  - Behavioral health
  - Addressing barriers to access

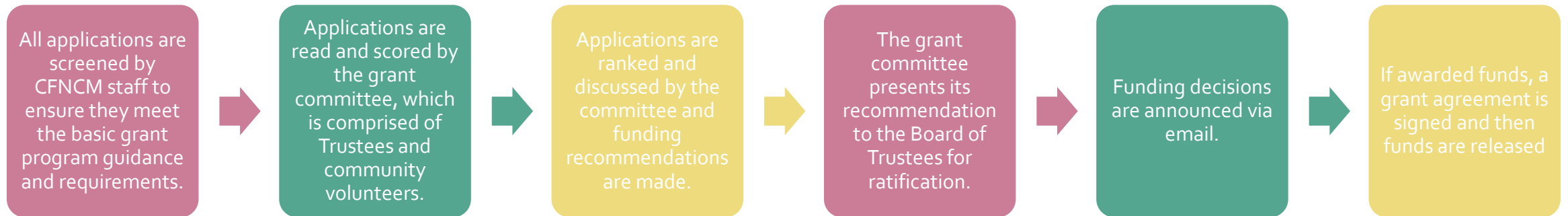
# Funding Guidance

- Grant size: Grant awards will typically range from \$5,000 up to \$20,000; however, larger-scale collaborative projects with requests that are more than \$20,000 will be considered if the impact of the project justifies the funding request.
- Applicant must be a 501c3, municipality, or have a fiscal sponsor
- Program or initiative must benefit the residents of the Nashoba Valley region
- One application per organization

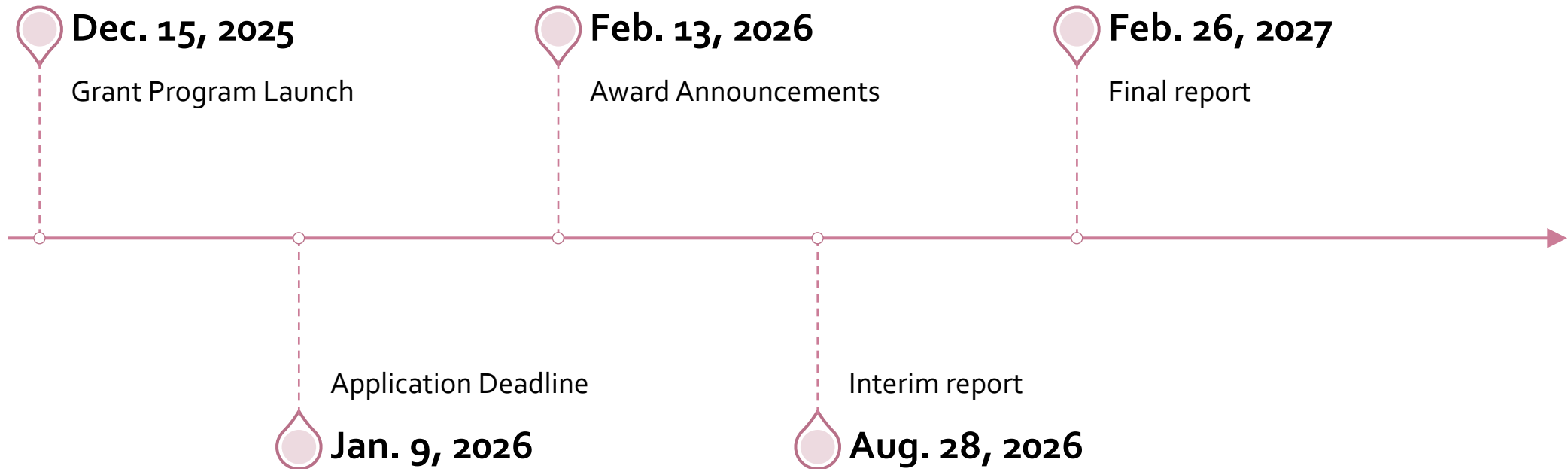
# Funding Guidance

- Proposals for the following will not be considered:
  - Projects that do not directly benefit the geographic service area of the Fund
  - Organizations that are currently receiving Nashoba Valley Community Healthcare awards from the Greater Lowell Community Foundation
  - Loans, capital campaigns, attempts to influence legislation, and support where the Community Foundation may become the predominant long-term source of revenue
  - Individuals or for-profit organizations

# Our Grantmaking Process



# Timeline



# Our Grant Portal

- We use Foundant for our grant portal.
- If you have not done so already, you must create a new account to get started.
- Moving forward, you can see your organization's application history.
- Your work will be automatically saved.



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Logon

Email Address\*

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Log On

Create New Account

[Forgot your Password?](#)

Welcome to the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts' Online Portal.

New Users: Please click on "Create New Account" to complete the registration process and create your logon credentials.

Existing Users: Please enter your credentials and log in. If you forgot your password, please use the "Forgot your Password?" link to the left to reset your password.

Please contact [mmaceiko@cfncm.org](mailto:mmaceiko@cfncm.org) with questions.



# Application Overview

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Statement of Need: Educate us on the community need you are addressing. We are looking for local evidence. Provide stats and data if you have them.

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Project activity: please be clear and concise. Ensure the evaluator has a clear understanding of how your program works.

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Outcomes: we are looking for specific, measurable (quantitative) goals. Explain how you are going to track the outcomes. What tools do you have in place?

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Capabilities: Why is your organization and staff best equipped to deliver the program?

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Sustainability: we do not intend to be the sole supporter of a program year after year. What plans do you have to ensure other funding for this program?

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Budget: the template can be accessed directly from the application

# Helpful Hints

- Review the funding guidance
- Avoid jargon or acronyms
- Use your narrative to tell your story
- Be clear and concise
- Answer every question directly
- Stay focused on the grant's goals
- Show community need
- Ask a friend or family member to read your proposal

## Technical Assistance

- Contact Meghan at [mmaceiko@cfncm.org](mailto:mmaceiko@cfncm.org) or 978.345.8383 Ext. 104



# Q&A

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What questions do you have?