



2026 Grant Application

Criteria and Requirements

- Must be a current resident of Weatherby Lake.
- Must include a typed essay (addition of a video optional) addressing the prompt listed in the application below.
- Must include at least one reference from a Weatherby Lake Community member. Please use the Recommendation Form attached to the end of this application.
- Successful grantees must make the required reservations for their projects (ex. Crithaven Park – link with Park Board).
- Notes:
 - The Brigade will prioritize:
 - Fresh and creative new ideas for 2026; if you are a previous grant recipient, you are still able to apply and will not be disqualified. We are interested in the next phase of your idea and how it will continue to evolve.
 - Programs that bring the community together through broad and meaningful participation.
 - Events, programs or property needs that enhance or duplicate those already funded or sponsored by the City, WLIC, Parks Board or Platte County will not be considered (e.g. The Annual Shredding Event).
 - It is not the Brigade’s intent to fully fund any project at the expense of supporting multiple efforts . Applications that run counter to this philosophy will not be considered.

Please complete the attached application form and submit it and the materials requested to the address below **September 18, 2026, by 5:00 PM CST**. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Date:

Applicant Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Name(s) of Parent/Guardian *(if under 18 years old):*

A. Name of grant project:

B. Is your 2026 grant request a repeat of a previous grant award from prior years?

Yes - Continue with (C) below

No - Skip to (F) below

C. Did you file a mid-July progress report with the Brigade for your 2025 project?

Yes

No



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D. Please share a short summary of how the grant was used in 2025 and whether your objectives for the event were met.

E. Share your vision for new ideas in the current year and how you intend to grow your event/program/initiative.

F. If your proposal has ties with the City of Weatherby Lake or the Weatherby Lake Improvement Company, please note whether you have yet linked with them.

Yes

No

G. Briefly describe what you hope to accomplish with this grant:



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H. Description of population to be served (*ages, socioeconomic status, ethnicity*):

I. What impact will this project have on the Weatherby Lake community? (*# of people that will see or take part in, ongoing events the project will support, future growth potential*):

J. Describe how you feel this project aligns with the Lantz Welch Citizens Brigade mission and vision (see program objectives here - <https://lantzwelchcitizensbrigade.org/apply/>):

K. Please include how your project is expected to grow and remain sustainable in the future, with or without Brigade grant support (if applicable).



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L. Essay/Video Prompt

Please include a typed essay or video submission outlining the scope of our proposal including:

- Project Deliverables
- Timeline
- Budget/Cost



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Acknowledgement

I affirm that I plan to use this grant as defined in those documents. I understand that this application will be available only to qualified people who need to see it in the course of their duties. I waive the right to access letters of recommendation written on my behalf. If selected, I agree to allow the Lantz Welch Citizens Brigade Committee Members to use my application materials, including any submitted video or proposal materials, for promotional purposes. I affirm that all this application, including the policy proposal, is my own work or formally cited from other sources. I affirm the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature:

Date:



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Recommendation Form

Applicant Name:

Reference Name:

To be completed by the applicant's Reference:

Capacity and length of time you have known the applicant:

Please comment on the applicant's ability to represent the City of Weatherby Lake as a Lantz Welch Citizens Brigade Grantee, to foster community engagement, encourage civil discourse, promote selflessness and to serve as a leader in the Weatherby Lake community. Include any strengths or highlights relating to leadership experience or volunteering and why you feel this applicant should be selected.

Do you feel the applicant would be a good representative of the Lantz Welch Citizens Brigade?

Yes

No

Signature:

Date: