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## **M1 Community Partnerships Priorities for Giving**

### **Agriculture**

We recognize local young people involved in agriculture. We understand the importance of agriculture and salute the efforts of those preparing to be tomorrow's agricultural leaders.

### **Economic Growth**

We believe in support of local businesses and the organizations who better economic development in our communities.

### **Education**

We are committed to supporting our local students by supporting our local school districts. Our support is offered in all curriculum areas and extracurricular activities.

### **Health and Human Services**

We support local efforts to help our community in the area of basic needs, from food to literacy, and from housing to healthcare. We also support groups who strive to keep our communities safe. These efforts encourage positive growth and success in our communities and support people of all ages.

### **Children's Services and Programs**

We support our local children through partnerships with local programs and activities for children and their families. This includes sponsorship of youth sports teams, and other youth activities that teach safe and healthy lifestyles.

### **Community Programs and Events**

We believe by taking an active role in community events, we can have a positive impact on the future. In addition to corporate contributions, employees are encouraged to participate in volunteer projects. Employees are given support in these endeavors through company time and available resources.

### **Miscellaneous**

Occasionally, we become aware of community events or programs that are worthy of support and do not fall within our general focus areas.

### **Limitations**

The credit union receives far more requests than we are able to fund. Priority is given to capital projects and special programs, rather than operational funds. Funding is not available for the following:

- Individuals; private foundations; international organizations; and beauty and talent contests.
- Programs of a political nature, and organizations that pose a potential conflict of interest.
- Organizations located in areas where we have no operations.

To request funds for your organization, please email Justin VanSyckle at [jvansyckle@m1ccu.org](mailto:jvansyckle@m1ccu.org)