Barton accepting applications for grants

The Barton Foundation is giving \$40,000 in grants to improve community health. Local nonprofits, health organizations, schools, and public agencies may apply for funding.

The grants provide funds for programs and organizations that positively impact the health of the South Tahoe community. In this grant cycle, projects and programs that address mental health, substance abuse, and access to healthcare services will be considered. These three issues were identified as the most pressing health needs in South Lake Tahoe's 2015 Community Health Needs Assessment.

Grant proposals will be accepted until May 31. Priority will be given to programs that benefit underserved populations and people under age 25. Some of the other grant criteria include the educational benefit, long-term impact, and emphasis on collaboration.

Additional grant criteria and the application are available online.