

Guide to **GIVING**

your directory to non-profits
and volunteer opportunities
in Cook County

Generosity
Legacy **Inspiration** Building
VOLUNTEER *Common Good* **COMMUNITY**
civic engagement invest
give back **CHANGE**



Welcome

The Cook County Community Fund (CCCF), in partnership with Northern Wilds Media, is delighted to provide this free guide to giving in Cook County. I know that non-profit and community organizations work at all levels within our community. They succeed because people like you support them with your time, energy, and financial resources.

There are many groups providing much needed services in Cook County and most are represented here. Most are 501(c)(3) non-profits, some are civic or volunteer groups. We wanted to include as many as possible so you may decide where your talents and capabilities fit with these organizations through joining, volunteering or contributing. CCCF cannot necessarily endorse these organizations (though we do give to worthy requests through our grants process), but we encourage you to follow your own interests in making choices when giving. Please contact your financial planner or check other resources to learn about any organization you choose. I invite you to become a part of these important efforts by joining, volunteering, or contributing. You can also give to the CCCF, whose local advisory board recommends and distributes grants each year to support these local nonprofits. The CCCF was founded in 2003 by area residents to build a permanent endowed fund to meet the charitable needs of our area. For more information, go to www.cookcountycommunityfund.org. We would love to have you join us.

We are partnered with the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation (DSACF). This benefits Cook County because they are large enough, as we are not, to have the structure and staff to run a foundation. We have an all-volunteer board, and direct all the spending from the earnings of our fund back to Cook County.

This guide is also available online at www.guide2giving.com. Please let us know how it can be improved to make it even more useful for you. Thank you for all you do to make Cook County a great place to live.



Howard Hedstrom
CCCF Advisory Board Chair

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Cook County Community Fund

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The Mission

of the Cook County Community Fund is to enhance the quality of life for the people of Cook County by attracting charitable gifts, making philanthropic grants, and providing responsible financial stewardship and community leadership.



What does this mean?

The Cook County Community Fund was established in 2003 by area residents to build a permanent endowed fund to meet the charitable needs of the Cook County area. An affiliate fund of the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation, the Cook County Community Fund taps into management expertise, administrative support, and the advantage of pooling resources for investment provided by the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation to enhance the quality of life in the Cook County area.

Each year, the Cook County Community Fund Advisory Board meets to recommend funding that meets community needs in the following areas: Arts, Community Development, Education, Environment, Human Services and Youth. Grants from the fund range from \$500-\$2,500. The deadline to apply is May 1.

To learn more about the application process or view some of the organizations previously funded by the Cook County Community Fund, visit: www.cookcountycommunityfund.org.

To speak with someone about funding opportunities within Cook County, please contact the Community Foundation office at 218.726.0232 and ask to speak with the Director of Community Philanthropy.

Cook County Community Fund

The following funds, part of the Cook County Community Family of Funds, address the changing needs of our region.

Beverly R. Uhrhammer Memorial Library Fund provides funds to the Grand Marais Public Library for purchasing high quality children's printed books to add to circulation.

Birch Grove Foundation Fund will support efforts to sustain community-based elementary education.

Cook County Community Temporary Fund supports the activities of the Cook County Community Fund.

Cook County Higher Education Fund will support the programs of Cook County Higher Education.

Daniel Patrick Riley Memorial Scholarship Fund provides financial support to high school graduates of Cook County High School, in Grand Marais, who wish to pursue an education in Liberal Arts.

Frank G. DeMaio Fund enables three schools in Cook County to provide instruction of Less Commonly Taught Languages (LCTL).

Grand Marais Public Library Fund will support the continued operations of the Grand Marais Public Library.

Harris Family Fund provides support to nine nonprofit organizations which have been designated by the donors.

Mike and Nancy Carlson Family Fund addresses the region's changing needs.

North House Folk School Endowment Fund ensures the school's permanent financial viability and makes the campus an evermore dynamic place to learn.

Scott Hawkins Fund was created to allow the donor to participate actively in the grant-making process.

Tofte Historical Society Fund will support the continued operations of the Tofte Historical Society.

Violence Prevention Center Fund supports the Center's mission of eliminating domestic and sexual violence against women, men, children and their families in Cook County.

WTIP Community Radio Fund supports this independent public community radio station with a mission to foster and build community connections, educate and inform the public, and provide entertainment through its broadcasts.

Why Philanthropy?

“Philanthropy is the mystical mingling of a joyous giver, an artful asker, and a grateful recipient.”

— Douglas M. Lawson

Giving to charities is a powerful way to make your community a better place, whether you provide financial support or volunteer your time. But how do you decide where or how to give? Start by asking yourself some basic questions:

- What issues or causes have been important to you throughout your lifetime?
- If you could change one thing in your community, what would it be?
- How can you help make your community a better place?
- Do you want to continue to give to your favorite charities or causes that you have supported during your lifetime through an estate gift?
- What kind of legacy or message do you want to leave?

Once you have identified some charitable causes and organizations that interest you, you may wish to contact them for further information about their mission, needs and any endowment funds they may be trying to build. This guide is a good place to start. You may also find information about various charities on the Internet and at www.irs.gov/app/pub-78.

Charitable giving may take many forms, including outright gifts, memorial gifts, gifts to permanent endowment funds, establishing a donor-advised fund or a charitable trust. Gifts may be in cash, stock or real estate. You may also designate charities as named beneficiaries of retirement accounts and life insurance. Talk to your professional advisor to learn ways that you can benefit charities and leave a lasting legacy.

Volunteering is also a great way to support your favorite organizations and make a difference to your community!

We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.

— Winston Churchill

ARTS

Good Harbor Hill Players

P.O. Box 68 / 301 First Avenue West
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-370-8077
E-mail: betsy@woodcut.com
www.goodharborhillplayers.org
Contact Person: Betsy Bowen
11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Daily mid-May through mid-October

Good Harbor Hill Players creates community-based outdoor puppet pageants, involving performers and volunteers of all ages. Local events and history are playfully depicted at the annual summer solstice and winter solstice shows held at North House Folk School.

Grand Marais Art Colony



P.O. Box 626 / 120 West 3rd Street
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2737
E-mail: arts@boreal.org
www.grandmaraisartcolony.org
www2.guidestar.org
Contact Person: Amy Demmer
Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Nurturing creative excellence on the North Shore since 1947 through hands-on classes, studio rental, events and exhibits in visual arts, pottery, glass, printmaking and more. Organizing several quality events throughout the year such as Plein Air Painting Competition, Members Show, Winter Arts Festival, Spring Exhibit and the Grand Marais Arts Festival.

Grand Marais Playhouse

P.O. Box 996 / 51 West 5th St.
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1284
E-mail: sue@grandmaraisplayhouse.com
www.grandmaraisplayhouse.com
Contact Person: Sue Hennessy
Staff is available during weekday hours and other times as scheduled.

Dedicated to providing high-quality theater and educational opportunities. We value artistic challenge, diversity, community and collaboration. We believe that theater arts enrich the lives of our citizens, enhance the education of our children, strengthen the economic stability of our community and make Cook County a better place to live.

North Shore Music Association

P.O. Box 1376
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1272
E-mail: music@boreal.org
www.northshoremusicassociation.com
Contact Person: Kate Fitzgerald

The North Shore Music Association (NSMA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to presenting and supporting musical arts and musicians in northeast Minnesota with a focus on entertainment, education and cultural enrichment.

WTIP North Shore Community Radio

P.O. Box 1005 / 1712 West Highway 61
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1070
E-mail: wtip@boreal.org
www.wtip.org
Contact Person: Deb Benedict, executive director

WTIP North Shore Community Radio is the only local radio station serving Minnesota's North Shore. WTIP captures and reflects the North Shore experience, connecting listeners with area culture, history, events, weather, news, and entertainment. Tune in at 90.7 FM North Shore, 89.1 FM Gunflint Trail, or 90.1 FM Grand Portage.

CIVIC

Cook County Community Center

317 W. 5th Street
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-3015
E-mail: diane.booth@co.cook.mn.us
www.cccommunitycenter.com
Contact Person: Diane Booth
7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Usually. Please call to make sure.

The Cook County Community Center provides a place for people of all ages to meet, recreate and socialize. We house the CC Extension office, provide outdoor ice rinks, outdoor playground, skateboard park, Little League field, commercial kitchen and meeting spaces together with indoor curling. We provide space for large and small meetings.

Cook County Dog Mushers

21 Linnell Rd
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2262
E-mail: jksivets@lakenet.com
Contact Person: Jerry Sivets

The Cook County Dog Mushers mission is to protect Cook County's dog mushing culture, ensure its continued existence and protect the rights of Cook County dog mushers.

First & Second Thrift Store

P.O. Box 67 / 211 West Highway 61
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1826
E-mail: seniors@boreal.org
Contact Person: Store Volunteers
Mon. - Tue. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Wed. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Thur. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

To enrich the community by providing an ecologically friendly service. Purpose is to be attained by engaging in a wide variety of projects that serve all of Cook County.

Grand Marais Lions Club

P.O. Box 475
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2983
E-mail: solarkarl@boreal.org
www.GMLions.com
Contact Person: Karl Hansen

Local chapter of the largest service organization in the world.

Grand Marais Masonic Lodge 322

P.O. Box 1082 / 603 5th Ave. W
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2799
E-mail: twestby@inbox.com
Contact Person: Tom Westby
Meetings 7 p.m., first Thursday of the month

A society of like-minded men who believe in God, support each other and do good works around the world. We sponsor two scholarships for Cook County High School students and other worthy projects.

Greater Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 805
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-370-8904
E-mail: gmcc@boreal.org
www.grandmaraismn.com
Contact Person: Bev Wolke

The mission of the Greater Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce is to support member businesses, economic growth and community events that are consistent with the character of the Grand Marais area.

Library Friends of Cook County

P.O. Box 1234
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1873
E-mail: jadebush@boreal.org
www.grandmaraislibrary.org
Contact Person: Jean Bushman, President

The mission of the Cook County Friends is to promote excellence in library services by working with the library board and the staff of the public and school libraries to support these agencies, their services and programs. The focus will be on advocacy, fundraising, public relations and volunteer services.

Mush for a Cure



P.O. Box 731
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-388-2224, 218-370-9063
E-mail: info@MushForaCure.com
www.mushforacure.com
Contact Person: Sue Prom / Mary Black

It is the mission of Mush For a Cure to raise awareness of and raise funds to find a cure for breast cancer through annual pledge/tribute runs by dog team and promoting tourism on the Gunflint Trail.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & SUSTAINABILITY

Cook County Local Energy Project

P.O. Box 973
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2137
E-mail: gwilkes@boreal.org
www.cookcountylep.org
Contact Person: George Wilkes

The Cook County Local Energy Project is dedicated to facilitating energy efficiency and clean, local energy development in Cook County.

COMMUNITY - EDUCATION

Northwoods Food Project



P.O. Box 1152
Grand Marais, MN 55604
(317 W 5th St. in care of Cook County Extension)
Telephone: 218-387-3363
E-mail: cookcountycookbook@gmail.com
www.co.cook.mn.us/index.php/northwoods-food-project
Contact Person: Kristine Bottorff

The purpose of the Northwoods Food Project is to increase Cook County's long-term food sustainability and self-reliance, and increase food health and safety by supporting local food production.

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Arrowhead Consumers Union



P.O. Box 178
Hovland, MN 55606-0178
Telephone: 218-475-2210 or 866-237-4220
Fax: 218-475-2775
E-mail: admin@arrowheadconsumersunion.org
www.arrowheadconsumersunion.org
Contact Person: Barbara Wiltz
Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Our mission: Promoting and rewarding business ethics through community action.

Birch Grove Foundation

P.O. Box 2242 / 9 Good Neighbor Hill Rd
Tofte, MN 55615
Telephone: 218-663-7977
E-mail: bgf@boreal.org
www.birchgrovefoundation.org
Contact Person: Director

Our mission is to enhance the quality of education for all ages on the West End of Cook County. Through continuous partnership with the community, the Foundation is able to thrive, evolve, and work toward meeting the community's need for education, recreation and a variety of quality services.

Boundary Waters Amateur Radio Club

52 Black Spruce Trl
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-370-9505
E-mail: fing0006@gmail.com
www.boreal.org/bwarc
Contact Person: Jayne Johnson

BWARC's purpose is to provide education and training to develop or improve skills as amateur radio operators; to provide volunteer radio communications for emergencies and community events; to operate and maintain licensed radio repeaters in the community for use by the amateur radio community; and to have these repeaters available for emergency communications when needed. All licensed amateurs or those interested in learning more are welcome!

Center for Emerging Leadership

P.O. Box 307
Lutsen, MN 55612
Telephone: 218-387-9239
E-mail: info@womensleadership.org
www.womensleadershipcommunity.org
Contact Person: Marcia Hyatt

We are a Women's Leadership Community that develops leaders who create conditions for effective teamwork and a healthy work culture, and who can make difficult decisions with integrity. We invite you to join us on a path toward greater wisdom in your work and your life. For more information, see www.womensleadershipcommunity.org.

Cook County Community Education

101 W. 5th Street
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-2000
 E-mail: Comed@isd166.k12.mn.us
 www.cookcountyschools.org/cookcounty/cmcd
 Contact Person: Andra Lilienthal
 Mon. - Thur. 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cultivating lifelong learning through education and recreational opportunities for Cook County community members of all ages.

Cook County Extension

317 W. 5th Street
 (Cook County Community Center Building)
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-3015
 E-mail: diane.booth@co.cook.mn.us
 Contact Person: Diane Booth
 Mon. - Fri. 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Cook County Extension serves as a liaison between Cook County residents and the University of Minnesota. Horticulture, agriculture, cold climate housing, youth development, identification of insect pests are just a few of the topics we can address.

Cook County Higher Education

P.O. Box 57 / 300 W. 3rd Street
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-3411
 E-mail: highered@boreal.org
 www.boreal.org/highered
 Contact Person: Paula Sundet Wolf
 Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The education you need where you live! Mission: Provide local access and support for college education and training on the North Shore.

Cook County Historical Society Museum

P.O. Box 1293 / 8 South Broadway
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-2883
 E-mail: history@boreal.org
 www.cookcountyhistory.org
 Contact Person: Carrie McHugh
 June-September Hours: Tue. - Sat. 11a.m. - 4 p.m.
 October-May Hours: Fri. 1- 4 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Preserving Cook County's History for Future Generations. Our Mission: The purpose of the Society shall be the collection, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge about the history of Cook County and to relate it to the history of the State of Minnesota.

Cook County School District



101 W. 5th Street
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-2271, ext. 603
 E-mail: gcarman@isd166.k12.mn.us
 www.cookcountyschools.org
 Contact Person: Principal Gwen Carman

The Cook County School District provides a quality and well-rounded PK-12 education for students. Our beautiful PK-12 campus in Grand Marais promotes student achievement and success, as well as developing lifelong positive citizenship skills.



Cook County Schools Home of the Vikings

Providing a quality, well-rounded PK-12 education for our students.

Cook County Schools embraces our vision of *Success for Each, Respect for All* every day.

We are committed to the success of every PK-12 student and assuring that each develops lifelong skills. We are successful because of our staff, quality instruction, strong curriculum, & the integration of technology. We prioritize communication and partnerships with parents and the communities within Cook County.

218-387-2271 • www.cookcountyschools.org

Cook County School District 166 Education Foundation

101 W 5th St.
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-2271, ext. # 606
 E-mail: kcarlsgaard@isd166.k12.mn.us
 www.cookcountyschools.org
 Contact Person: Lorelei Livingston

The mission of the CCSD166 Education Foundation is to offer unique experiences for students through innovative instruction and co-curricular programs which are not able to be funded by the school district. Since 2002, CCSDEF has awarded over \$68,000 in grant money for ISD 166 classroom projects and equipment.

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Cooperation Station

404 5th Ave. W.
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1324
E-mail: cooperation.station.fcc@gmail.com
7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Contact Person: Patty Nordahl

Nurturing children in a playful learning environment through a partnership between parents and caregivers. We are a parent-run organization, and rely on volunteers, donations and fundraising in order to operate. We gladly accept donations for our scholarship fund for families that are put on the childcare assistance wait list.

Gunflint Trail Historical Society

28 Moose Pond Drive
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-388-9915
E-mail: chikwauk@boreal.org
www.gunflinttrailhistoricalsociety.org
Contact Person: Ada Igoe
The Gunflint Trail Historical Society operates Chik-Wauk Museum and Nature Center
Open daily from Memorial weekend to mid-October, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The mission of the Gunflint Trail Historical Society shall be to preserve the history of the Gunflint Trail and its early settlers for residents, guests, travelers, and future generations.

Great Expectations Foundation

P.O. Box 338
Lutsen, MN 55612
Telephone: 218-249-2879
E-mail: pattyn@boreal.org
Contact Person: Patty Nordahl

Great Expectations Foundation provides leadership support, financial support and community support for Great Expectations School.

Head & Butt Program of Cook County

515 5th Ave West
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-3040 (ext.243)
E-mail: ckunze@sisunet.org
Contact Person: Christine Kunze

To provide child passenger safety seats to anyone in Cook County who transports children and is in need of one. To provide helmets for summer and winter activities. To help educate the community. Every child deserves to be injury free.

Imagination Library United Way of Greater Duluth

424 W Superior Street, Suite 402
Duluth, MN 55802
Telephone: 218-726-4770
E-mail: jpeterson@unitedwayduluth.org
www.unitedwayduluth.org
Contact Person: Jennifer Peterson
Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Imagination Library is a free book program for children ages birth to 5 years. Once enrolled the child will receive a book in the mail each month until their fifth birthday. To enroll visit our website or call to enroll by phone. The program is free, but we do accept sponsorship donations.

ISD 166 PTA

101 West 5th Street
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-388-2224
E-mail: sue@canoieit.com
www.cookcountyschools.org/se3bin/clientgenie.cgi
Contact Person: Sue Prom

To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

North House Folk School



P.O. Box 759 / 500 W Hwy 61
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-9762
E-mail: info@northhouse.org
www.northhouse.org
Contact Person: Greg Wright
8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Daily

The mission of the North House Folk School is to enrich lives and build community by teaching traditional northern crafts in a student-centered learning environment that inspires the hands, the heart and the mind.



hands on!

Teaching traditional
Northern craft

- Coursework
- Public programs
- Special events



NORTH HOUSE FOLK SCHOOL
On the harbor, Grand Marais, MN
northhouse.org | 888-387-9762

North Shore Commercial Fishing Museum

P.O. Box 2312, Tofte, MN 55615

Telephone: 218-663-7050

E-mail: nscfm@boreal.org

www.commercialfishingmuseum.org

Contact Person: Don Hammer

Intersection of the Sawbill Trail and Highway 61 in Tofte
Memorial Day - October: Sun. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.,
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

November - May: Fri. Noon - 5, Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

(Hours are subject to change)

Governed by the Tofte Historical Society, the North Shore Commercial Fishing Museum operates as an educational 501(c)(3) non-profit, dedicated to "the collection, preservation and dissemination of historical knowledge... with specific emphasis on commercial fishing and the more general relationship of early lifestyles to the shore and waters of Lake Superior."

Schroeder Area Historical Society



**Schroeder
Area
Historical
Society**

P.O. Box 337 / 7932 West

Highway 61

Schroeder, MN 55613

Telephone: 218-663-7706

E-mail: crheritage@boreal.org

www.crossriverheritage.org

Contact Person: Suzan From

Open from Memorial weekend to MEA weekend in Oct.

Tue.- Sat. 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sun. 1 p.m. - 4 p.m., closed Mon.

Telling the story of the Schroeder Area: Past, Present and Future. The mission of Schroeder Area Historical Society is to research, document, record, and preserve the unique history of Schroeder Township and its residents to provide insight and reference for future generations.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Arrowhead Animal Rescue

P.O. Box 1274

Grand Marais, MN 55604

Telephone: 218-370-0781

E-mail: animals@boreal.org

Contact Person: Bev Green

Call Gay 218-387-1781 or Bev 218-370-0781

AAR Advocates for lost and abandoned cats, dogs, and other domestic pets in Cook County by providing shelter, food, medical attention and emotional comfort with a goal of locating permanent caring homes for each animal. Advocates for spay/neuter programs and for public education on all aspects of responsible pet ownership.

Colvill Fire Department

3153 E. Hwy. 61

Grand Marais, MN 55604

Telephone: 218-387-9404

E-mail: cvfd96@gmail.com

Contact Person: Paul McFarlane

Open Sun. Noon - 4 p.m.

Full service fire suppression, vehicle rescue, and medical first response department.

Cook County CERT (Community Emergency Response Training)

143 Gunflint Trail

Grand Marais, MN 55604

Telephone: 218-387-3059

E-mail: jim.wiinanen@co.cook.mn.us

Contact Person: Jim Wiinanen

CERT (Community Emergency Response Training) is a training program that prepares you to help yourself, your family and your neighbors in the event of a disaster. CERT members help others until trained emergency personnel arrive. CERT members can also provide critical support functions for emergency service personnel during complex incidents.

Cook County Firewise



411 West 2nd Street

Grand Marais, MN 55604

Telephone: 218-387-3642

E-mail: firewise@co.cook.mn.us

www.boreal.org/fireinfo

Contact Person: Angie Cook

Firewise is a national program, adopted by Minnesota and Cook County, which addresses the risks of homes to wildfire in the wildland/urban interface (where human development meets the fire-prone forests and fields). Firewise can help you minimize the risks of damage or destruction from a wildfire.

Cook County Food Shelf

P. O. Box 95
Grand Marais, MN 55604
(First Congregational Church (lower level), 2nd Ave. W. & 3rd St, Grand Marais, MN - enter on 2nd Ave. W.)
Telephone: 218-387-1767
E-mail: durfee@boreal.org
Contact Person: Steve Deschene
Every Mon. from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. and the first Wed. of the month from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

The Cook County Food Shelf exists to supply an emergency 3-day supply of food once a month for families who would otherwise go hungry because of financial crisis. The source of food is the donations of your neighbors. Some income guidelines for USDA supplied food. Minimal paperwork.

Cook County Search and Rescue

143 Gunflint Trail
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-3030
E-mail: mark.falk@co.cook.mn.us
Contact Person: Sheriff Mark Falk

At the direction of the sheriff, Cook County Search and Rescue assists in meeting the civil statutory obligations of the office, principally in the areas of S&R/recovery and evacuation; assists Cook County in the execution of its emergency operations plan; assists other emergency response agencies as directed by the sheriff.

Gunflint Trail Volunteer Fire Department

189 Sag Lake Trail
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-370-9505
E-mail: gunflintvfd@gmail.com
www.gunflint911.org
Contact Person: Jayne Johnson

GTVFD is a full-service completely volunteer agency that responds to medical emergencies, structure fires, and wildland fires. There are 34 members in the GTVFD: 15 firefighters, 7 EMS technicians, and 9 with both firefighter and EMS qualifications. We maintain three fire halls to cover the almost 200-square-mile service district.

Hovland Area Volunteer Fire Department

P.O. Box 268 / 5059 E. Hwy 61
Hovland, MN 55606
Telephone: 218-475-2515
E-mail: info@shawnperich.com
Contact Person: Shawn Perich

The Hovland Area Volunteer Fire Department will safely provide fire and medical first response service for the Hovland Area Fire District and provide mutual aid to neighboring departments and agencies. We also provide safety for our volunteers and those who assist us on the roadside scenes through our S.T.O.P program.

Lutsen Fire Department

PO Box 151
Lutsen, MN 55612
Telephone: 218-663-7501
E-mail: lutclerk@boreal.org
Contact Person: Paul Goettl

Maple Hill Community Fire Department

53 Devil Track Road
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1530
E-mail: phyllisparker218@northlc.com
Contact Person: Ed Hedstrom, chief

The Maple Hill Community Fire Department has fire suppression responsibilities for all structures within an area of 146 square miles north of Grand Marais that includes Maple Hill, Devil Track Lake and the Cook County Airport. The department is manned by volunteer firefighters, first responders and administrative personnel.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Caribou Lake Property Owners Association

P.O. Box 11
Lutsen, MN 55612
Telephone: 612-720-3854
www.minnesotawaters.org/group/clpoa/
Contact Person: Larry Mullen

Caribou Lake Property Owners Association was formed in the 1970s for property owners in the watershed in order to inform, educate and provide support to protect our watershed. We support and conduct activities and projects to improve lake water quality and the total lake experience. All property owners are welcome.

Cook County Coalition of Lake Associations

130 Poplar Lake Lane
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-388-0115
E-mail: bizclar@aol.com
Contact Person: Biz Clark, chair

The mission of the Cook County Lake Associations is to develop an informed community of Cook County property owners who accept responsibility for the preservation and protection of their lakes and who work actively to maintain their quality.

Flute Reed Partnership

P.O. Box 87
Hovland, MN 55606
Telephone: 218-475-2778
E-mail: schaafed@yahoo.com
www.lakesuperiorstreams.org/northshore/fluteReed/partnership.html
Contact Person: Rick Schubert

The Flute Reed Partnership mission is to foster stewardship within the community to maintain, restore and enhance the watershed health of the Flute Reed River. We plant conifers along the river and regularly monitor the river's water quality. We sponsor free classes to learn about the watershed and caring for the river.

Friends of the Boundary Waters Wilderness

401 North Third St., Suite 290
Minneapolis, MN 55401
Telephone: 612-332-9630
Northern Office Telephone: 218-750-0784
E-mail: info@friends-bwca.org
www.friends-bwca.org
Contact Person: Paul Danicic

To protect, preserve and restore the wilderness character of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and the Quetico-Superior ecosystem.

Hungry Jack Lake Homeowners Association

202 East Golden Lake Circle
Circle Pines, MN 55014
Hungry Jack Lake, Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-525-3693
E-mail: billmittle@aol.com
Contact Person: Bill Mittlefehldt

The purpose of the Association shall be to preserve the wilderness-like character of the area and to protect the quality of all life on, and adjacent to, Hungry Jack Lake.

Pike Lake Area Association

901 Pike Lake Road
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2054
E-mail: sheila@boreal.org
Contact Person: Sheila Wieben

To protect, promote and encourage community in the Pike Lake area.

Sugarloaf: The North Shore Stewardship Association

6008 London Road
Duluth, MN 55804
Sugarloaf Cove Nature Center
9096 Hwy 61 Schroeder, MN 55613
Telephone: 218-525-0001
E-mail: molly@sugarloafnorthshore.org
www.sugarloafnorthshore.org
Contact Person: Molly Thompson

The mission of Sugarloaf: The North Shore Stewardship Association is: To inspire the preservation and restoration of the North Shore's unique environment through education and exemplary stewardship, especially at Sugarloaf Cove.

Twilite Ridge

P.O. Box 9294
Rochester, MN 55903
Telephone: 507-696-7999
E-mail: twiliteridge@safe-mail.net
www.orgsites.com/mn/twiliteridge/
Contact Person: Madison Mirindas
We can be reached by phone 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Mon. - Sat. including most holidays

Twilite Ridge currently is in the 501(c)(3) process as an environmental/political group to represent Northeastern Minnesota at the Capitol to protect its natural environment. Twilite Ridge also plans to create a physical location in Cook County in which it will also serve by contributing efforts to urban and woodland beautification.

West Bearskin Lake Property Owners Association

25 South Bearskin Road
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 612-889-7273
E-mail: rts@boreal.org
Contact Person: Randy Swanstrom

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

P.O. Box 638 / 417 W. 1st Street, Grand Marais, MN 55064
 Telephone: 218-387-2227
 E-mail: blc@boreal.org;
 www.sharingchrist.org
 Contact Person: Pastor Mark Ditmanson

"Belonging to Christ and Sharing Christ on the North Shore and Beyond." We are a congregation of the E.L.C.A. We strive to be a Christ-centered congregation that welcomes all. Our many programs always have a blend of members and friends from the community. We seek to serve locally and globally. We offer worship services with Holy Communion on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. with a liturgical traditional emphasis, and on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in a more casual and contemporary style. We offer Bible studies for all ages. We host numerous music festivals each year. Musical highpoints are the winter and spring concerts featuring portions of Handel's Messiah.

Cornerstone Community Church

P.O. Box 662 / 1 Cedar Grove Lane
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-2090
 E-mail: cornerstone@cschurch.com
 www.cschurch.com
 Contact Person: Rev. Dale C McIntire
 Service Times: Sun. 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m., Wed. 6:30 p.m.
 Office Hours: Tue. and Thur. 1 - 5 p.m. Call for other hours

Christian fellowship dedicated to living and proclaiming God's Good News throughout the Cook County community. Because we believe the ministries of Cornerstone Community Church are the privilege and responsibility of the members of Cornerstone Community Church, we do not generally solicit volunteers or contributions from the public. However, anyone is welcome to explore the motivation behind our ministry and join us if they like.

First Congregational UCC Church

P.O. Box 95, Grand Marais, MN 55604
 (Corner of Second Street and Third Avenue West)
 Telephone: 218-387-2113
 E-mail: congo@boreal.org
 Contact Person: Kristine Bottorff, office manager
 Office hours Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 Sun. service at 10:30 a.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ is an open, inclusive church that exists to worship God and practice the gospel of Jesus Christ. We welcome all people of

goodwill who seek to share the love of God and honor the diversity of creation in a spirit of tolerance and flexibility. As a Just Peace Church, we invite all who seek the reign of God to join us in reaching out in healing ministry, working for justice, witnessing for peace and striving to overcome all forms of oppression.

Grand Marais Evangelical Free Church

P.O. Box 396 / 120 East 5th Street
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-1565
 E-mail: preacher@boreal.org
 www.grandmaraisfreechurch.org
 Contact Person: Rev. David Harvey
 Tue. - Fri. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

To foster a faith that is durable, intimate and joyful in each of us.

Jehovah's Witnesses

1803 E. Hwy 61, Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Kingdom Hall, 1225 W. 2nd Ave, Grand Marais, MN
 Telephone: 218-387-2559
 E-mail: lhalberg@boreal.org
 Contact Person: LeRoy Halberg
 10 a.m. Sun. - Public Talk
 10:35 a.m. Sun. - Watchtower Study
 7 p.m. Tue. - Bible Study
 7:30 p.m. Tue. - Theocratic Ministry School
 8 p.m. Tue. - Service Meeting

Jehovah's Witnesses seek to honor Jehovah, the God of the Bible, and his Kingdom; to bring comfort to people with the good news of God's Kingdom, a real government in heaven that will soon bring an end to all wickedness and transform the earth into a paradise.

Life in Christ Lutheran Church

P.O. Box 1121 / 317 West 5th Street
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-475-2458
 E-mail: bobganam@boreal.org
 www.boreal.org/~lcms/
 Contact Person: Jason Mesenbring
 Worship Services held at: Cook County Community Center
 Worship service at 9 a.m. every Sun.
 Advent and Lenten Service at 6:30 p.m. Wed.
 Summer Worship Service at 11:30 a.m. at Heston's Lodge on Gunflint Lake

A Mission of Christ - In Mission for Christ. A member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

North Shore Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

69 Nelson Dr, Silver Bay, MN 55614
Telephone: 800-777-4533
E-mail: g.zinter@mchsi.com
www.thrivent.com
Contact Person: Gary Zinter

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is a faith-based membership organization called to improve the quality of life of its members, their families, and their communities by providing unparalleled solutions that focus on financial security, wellness and caring for others.

Spirit of the Wilderness Episcopal Church



P.O. Box 1115
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Maple Hill Church
Maple Hill
Telephone: 218-387-1536
E-mail: windcradle@boreal.org
www.spiritofthewilderness.org

Contact Person: Rev. Mary Ellen Ashcroft
10:30 a.m. Sun. mornings

All are welcome at Spirit of the Wilderness—kids, dogs, people who are searching or have lots of faith. We would love you to join us in pursuing our vision which is this: Inviting mystery, engaging compassion, encountering Christ.

St. John's Catholic Church / Holy Rosary

P.O. Box 549, Grand Marais, MN 55604
St. John's: 10 East Fifth Street, Grand Marais MN 55604
Holy Rosary: 43 Upper Road, Grand Portage MN 55605
Telephone: 218-387-1409
E-mail: st.johns@boreal.org
www.stjohns-holyrosary.org
Contact Person: Fr. Seamus Walsh

St. John's Masstimes: Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 9 a.m.,
Weekdays 8:15 a.m.
Holy Rosary: Sunday 12 noon

St. John's parish is a community of baptized persons that believes that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who was sent by the Father for our salvation and continues to dwell in his people in the power of the Holy Spirit. This community comes together to hear the word and celebrate Eucharist. This community also comes together to pray, to learn, to appreciate God and one another, and to minister.

Trinity Lutheran Church of Hovland



P.O. Box 249
4957 E. Highway 61
Hovland, MN 55606
Telephone: 218-475-2439
E-mail: trinity@boreal.org

www.TrinityLutheranOfHovland.org
Contact Person: Pastor Kris Garey

We have outreach in Hovland and communities around the world; we provide support in emergencies and disaster. We coordinate with local agencies, other churches, Food Shelf, Salvation Army, and are a source of information, prayer, and worship. Our mission is to teach, live, and share Christ's love.

Zoar Lutheran Church (LCMC)

P.O. Box 2098 / 7239 West Highway 61
Tofte, MN 55615
Telephone: 218-663-7925
E-mail: zoarlc@boreal.org
Contact Person: Pastor Deborah Lunde
Sun. Worship 9 a.m.
Bible Study on Thur. at 9 a.m.

Our mission at Zoar Lutheran Church is to be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who are growing spiritually and serving others in our community and beyond.

GRANT MAKERS

Cook County Community Fund



COOK COUNTY COMMUNITY FUND

P.O. Box 763, Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2995 ext. 12
E-mail: howard@hedstromlumber.com
www.cookcountycommunityfund.org
Contact Person: Howard Hedstrom, chair

The mission of the Cook County Community Fund is to enhance the quality of life for the people of Cook County by attracting charitable gifts, making philanthropic grants, and providing responsible financial stewardship and community leadership.

GRANT MAKERS - HEALTH CARE

Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation



DULUTH SUPERIOR AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Private giving for the public good.

222 East Superior Street, Suite 302
Duluth, MN 55802

Telephone: 218-726-0232

E-mail: info@dsacommunityfoundation.com

www.dsacommunityfoundation.com

Contact Person: Holly C. Sampson, President

Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation promotes private giving for the public good. The Community Foundation is a permanent community endowment, built by gifts from thousands of individuals and organizations. Guided by a 12-member board of volunteer civic leaders, the Community Foundation makes grants to nonprofit organizations and to individuals for scholarships and provides leadership on important community initiatives in our area. Since our inception in 1983, we have distributed more than \$35 million and currently administer over 300 different funds, each with its own charitable purpose. The Community Foundation offers donors the opportunity to benefit our community for generations to come, great flexibility, and the most favorable tax benefits allowed under the law.

Lloyd K. Johnson Foundation

130 West Superior Street Suite 520, Duluth, MN 55802

Telephone: 218-726-9000

E-mail: jgardner@lloydkjohnsonfoundation.org

www.lloydkjohnsonfoundation.org

Contact Person: Joan Gardner-Goodno

Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

To enhance educational opportunities in Cook County and to significantly improve the quality of life in the North Shore communities through competitive grantmaking in the areas of arts and culture, community and economic development, education, environment and social welfare programs to qualified nonprofit organizations.

Minnesota's Lake Superior Coastal Program

1568 Hwy 2, Two Harbors, MN 55616

Telephone: 218-834-1446

E-mail: clinton.little@state.mn.us

www.mndnr.gov/waters/lakesuperior

Contact Person: Clinton Little

Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Minnesota's Lake Superior Coastal Program is a voluntary federal-state partnership dedicated to the comprehensive management of our coastal resources. The Program provides technical and financial resources for the local community by bringing federal dollars into Minnesota for the Lake Superior coastal area. The Coastal Program's goal is to preserve, protect, develop and, where possible, restore or enhance coastal resources along Minnesota's North Shore of Lake Superior. Our annual grant program is an important funding source for local communities to help them balance protection of coastal resources with providing places for people to live, work, and play.

Northland Foundation



202 W Superior St. Ste. 610, Duluth, MN 55802

Telephone: 218-723-4040

E-mail: info@northlandfdn.org

www.northlandfdn.org

Contact Person: Sandy Scheiber

The Northland Foundation is a resource for people, businesses, and communities in Northeast Minnesota working toward prosperity through economic and social justice. Our purpose is to strengthen families, grow a sustainable regional economy, cultivate leadership and philanthropy, and foster respect for all. Through our grants to nonprofits, loans to local businesses, KIDS PLUS Program, and other special initiatives, the Northland Foundation is building a strong foundation for the future of our region.

Operation Roundup, Arrowhead Electric Cooperative, Inc.

P.O. Box 39 / 5401 W. Hwy 61, Lutsen, MN 55612

Telephone: 218-663-7239

E-mail: jkartes@aecimn.com

www.aecimn.com

Contact Person: Jenny Kartes (Office Manager)

Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Operation Round Up helps raise funds for local not-for-profit organizations. To date, Arrowhead Electric Cooperative members have helped us contribute over \$174,963 in Cook County just by offering to "round up" their bill to the nearest dollar. Those extra pennies add up!

HEALTH CARE

North Shore Health Care Foundation



P.O. Box 454
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-9076
E-mail: nshcf@boreal.org
northshorehealthcarefoundation.org
Contact Person: Karl Hansen

The North Shore Health Care Foundation is an independent non-profit organization benefitting health care in Cook County. We support local organizations including: Sawtooth Mountain Clinic, Cook County North Shore Hospital, Care Partners Palliative Care Program, Cook County Higher Education, local volunteer fire departments, First Responders and EMTs, all local schools, children's oral health initiative. Grants are awarded quarterly to qualified health care providers for medical equipment, education and training. The Health Care Golf Tournament at Superior National in Lutsen is the first Sunday in October each year, and the proceeds are dedicated to grants.

Sawtooth Mountain Clinic, Inc.



513 5th Ave. W.
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2330 ext. 126
E-mail: sue@sawtoothmountainclinic.org
www.sawtoothmountainclinic.org
Contact Person: Sue Nordman
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sat. 8 a.m. - noon

Sawtooth Mountain Clinic, Inc. has completed 32 years of serving Cook County as a federally funded, 501(c)(3) Community Health Center. SMC provides access to high-quality, comprehensive, primary healthcare in Cook County to all users, regardless of financial ability to pay for services - offering a complete genre of family practice medicine.



Our mission is to benefit health care for those who live, work and visit in Cook County

PROGRAMS

- Quarterly grants
- Health Expo
- Care Partners
- Newsletter
- Oral health initiative
- Cancer travel fund
- Health Care Directive Forms

FUNDRAISERS

- Health Care Golf Tournament - First Sunday in October - at Superior National at Lutsen
- Gunflint Lodge BBQ - Last Sunday in June
- Fall Brunch
- Membership
- Memorials
- Dragon Boat Festival - Last Saturday in July. Partners with North House & WTIP Radio

Total of grants awarded 1993 - 2011 = \$440,000 Everyone benefits... we are each a little more secure just because our emergency response personnel have updated their skills - even if you personally have not had to call them yet.

For more information about how you can help or sign up to be a part of our upcoming events go to our website at

northshorehealthcarefoundation.org

HUMAN SERVICES - RECREATION

HUMAN SERVICES

Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency



702 Third Avenue South
Virginia, MN 55792
Telephone: 218-748-7325
E-mail: marilyn.ocepek@aEOA.org
www.aEOA.org
Contact Person: Marilyn Ocepek
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

AEOA strengthens communities by providing opportunities for people experiencing social and economic challenges.

Care Partners of Cook County



P.O. Box 454
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Lower level of the Sawtooth Mountain Clinic
Telephone: 218-387-3788
E-mail: carepartners@boreal.org
northshorehealthcarefoundation.org
Contact Person: Kay Grindland

Care Partners of Cook County provides supportive care on the journey of aging or serious illness. We are a community-based palliative care program providing RN care consultation and coordination, companionship volunteers, and caregiver coaching. Volunteer services include respite and presence at end of life.

Cook County Council on Aging

P.O. Box 67 / 10 Broadway
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2660
E-mail: seniors@boreal.org
Contact Person: Bev Green
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The mission of the Cook County Senior Center is to be the center of activity for adults in the community providing resources, programs, and activities that promote healthy lifestyles, cultivate relationships, and enhance lifelong learning.

United Way 2-1-1

424 West Superior St.
Duluth, MN 55802
Telephone: 218-726-4777
E-mail: rstrange@unitedwayduluth.org
Contact Person: Rory Strange
24 hours a day 365 days a year information and referral for Cook County residents.

United Way 2-1-1 is a free service that can be accessed by calling either 2-1-1 or 800-543-7709. 2-1-1 acts as a clearing house for callers seeking services and solutions to a problem or crisis. 2-1-1 eliminates the need for repeated calls to agencies and acts as a common entry point for people seeking help.

Violence Prevention Center

P.O. Box 134 / 21 W. 2nd Street
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-1262
E-mail: hope4u@boreal.org
www.hope-4-u.org
Contact Person: Jodi Yuhasey
Open Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The mission of the Violence Prevention Center is to serve individuals and families in Cook County affected by domestic and sexual violence and to act as a catalyst in building healthy relationships and developing a community where violence is not tolerated.

RECREATION

Arrowhead Chapter, Minnesota Deer Hunters Association

40 County Road 44
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2608
E-mail: thelodge@boreal.org
Contact Person: Richard Struck

The Arrowhead chapter is organized and run by volunteers with assistance from the staff of the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association in Grand Rapids. The Chapter exists to support youth involvement in hunting through annual Forkhorn camps, to raise funds for same through Hides for Habitat, and to encourage members to participate in legislative issues impacting hunting and habitat in Minnesota. An annual spring banquet has been held in the past and will be considered again depending on local volunteer support.

Arrowhead Coalition for Multiple Use

P.O. Box 1060
 Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-475-2486
 E-mail: cgagnon@boreal.org
 www.arrowheadcmu.org
 Contact Person: Curtis Gagnon

ACMU advocates for the traditional cultural uses of the Arrowhead Region.

Banadad Trail Association

P.O. Box 436
 Grand Marais, MN 55604-2028
 Telephone: 218-388-9476
 E-mail: bta@boreal.org
 www.banadad.org
 Contact Person: Ted Young

The Banadad Ski Trail is located along the Gunflint Trail. From Duluth take Highway 61 to Grand Marais. Turn west up the Gunflint Trail (Cook County Rd 12). Drive 29 miles to Lima Grade road, turn left, drive one mile to Little Ollie road, turn right. Drive one mile to eastern trailhead of the Banadad.
 Daylight hours during winter months

The purpose of the BTA is to maintain and enhance the Banadad Ski Trails, preserve the history of the forest and the trail and promote appreciation and care of the BWCA wilderness. We are a volunteer organization open to all who share these goals.

Cook County ATV Club

P.O. Box 455, Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-387-9844
 E-mail: ATV@rideupnorth.com
 www.ATV.rideupnorth.com
 Contact Person: Rhonda Silence, secretary

The ATV Club works with the U.S. Forest Service, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Cook County to identify roads and trails where we can ride in an environmentally sustainable manner. We have numerous DNR-certified instructors who assist with youth ATV safety training. And of course, we use our ATVs to just enjoy being outdoors.

Cook County Snowmobile Club

P.O. Box 665, Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-388-2265
 E-mail: hungryjack@northlc.com
 www.hungryjacklodge.com
 Contact Person: Forrest Parson

To provide a high quality snowmobiling experience for snowmobilers in Cook County. The club maintains 135 miles of Grant-In-Aid snowmobile trails that connect the State Snowmobile Trail with Grand Portage and Canada. Volunteers are the heart of the club's activities -- planning, finance, trail maintenance and public relations.

Gitchi-Gami Trail Association

P.O. Box 74, Silver Bay, MN 55614
 Telephone: 218-834-1431
 www.ggta.org

The Gitchi-Gami Trail Association (GGTA) is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization formed to work with the Minnesota departments of Transportation and Natural Resources in the planning, development, construction, maintenance and promotion of the Gitchi-Gami State Trail, a paved recreational trail on the North Shore, and to organize trail activities including an annual bike ride.

Norpine Trail Association

4874 W. Highway 61, Lutsen, MN 55612
 Telephone: 218-387-2358
 E-mail: info@norpinetrails.org
 www.norpinetrails.org
 Contact Person: Bob Pranis

The Norpine Trail Association's purpose is to improve, maintain and promote the X-C ski trails located between Cascade River State Park and Lutsen Mountain. This includes Deer Yard loop, Hall-Massie loops and the various connector trails.

North Superior Ski and Run Club, Inc.

P.O. Box 542 / Pincushion Drive, Grand Marais, MN 55604
 Telephone: 218-370-1124
 E-mail: nssrc@boreal.org
 www.pincushiontrails.org
 Contact Person: Adam Harju
 Warming building open daily Dec- April 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

NSSRC is a nonprofit community organization which is proud to support and foster silent sports in our area, especially running, biking, cross-country skiing, and hiking. To that end the NSSRC manages and maintains the Pincushion Trail system and sponsors the CCHS Nordic skiing, cross-country running, and track and field teams, as well as the youth ski league for ages 13 and under. We also sponsor major running and X-C skiing races each year.

RECREATION - TOURISM

Superior Hiking Trail Association

P.O. Box 4 / 731 7th Ave.
Two Harbors, MN 55616
Telephone: 218-834-2700
E-mail: hike@shta.org
www.shta.org
Contact Person: Gayle Coyer
Office/Store open Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.,
Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sun. Noon - 4 p.m.

To build, maintain and promote the Superior Hiking Trail, a footpath largely on the ridgeline overlooking Lake Superior.

Grand Marais Area Tourism Association

P.O. Box 1330 / 505 West Highway 61
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Grand Marais Information Center is on Broadway Avenue, adjacent to Grand Marais City Hall
Telephone: 218-387-2788
E-mail: sally@visitcookcounty.com
Contact Person: Sally Nankivell, executive director

The Cook County Visitors Bureau is an organization funded by lodging tax revenue and contains the Grand Marais Area Tourism Association, the Lutsen Tofte Tourism Association, and the Gunflint Trail Association.

TELECOMMUNICATION

Boreal Access

P.O. Box 1269 / 501 5th Street, Suite 106
(Lower Level of the Sawtooth Mountain Clinic)
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-9471
E-mail: office@boreal.org
www.boreal.org
Office hours are Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Our mission is to enrich the educational, public service and business environment of Cook County through the use of advanced Internet-based information technologies and related applications.

TOURISM

Cook County Visitors Bureau

P.O. Box 1330 / 505 West Highway 61
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2788, ext 114
E-mail: sally@visitcookcounty.com
www.visitcookcounty.com
Contact Person: Sally Nankivell, executive director
Open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

To promote tourism in the entire county. We represent and contain the Gunflint Trail Association, Lutsen/Tofte/Schroeder Tourism Association, Grand Marais Area Tourism Association, and Grand Portage.

Gunflint Trail Association

P.O. Box 1330 / 505 West Highway 61
Grand Marais, MN 55604
The Gunflint Trail Association has representation and presence in the Grand Marais Information Center, which displays their info in the center next to City Hall on Broadway Avenue.
Telephone: 218-387-2788
E-mail: sally@visitgrandmarais.com
www.gunflint-trail.com
Contact Person: Sally Nankivell
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily

We have many, many volunteers during Gunflint Green up and the volunteer fire department canoe races!

Gunflint Trail Events

189 Sag Lake Trail
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-388-2224
E-mail: sue@canoeit.com
Contact Person: Sue Prom

Gunflint Trail Events is a non-profit corporation that currently promotes two separate events on the Gunflint Trail in order to promote tourism and improve the economy of Cook County. Mush for a Cure is a sled dog event that spotlights the sport of mushing and raises funds for breast cancer. The Ham Run Half-Marathon encourages healthy lifestyles and the eco-friendly sustainable activities available on the Gunflint Trail.

Gunflint Trail Scenic Byway Committee

318 S Hungry Jack Rd
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-388-2275
E-mail: hjo@boreal.org
www.gunflint-trail.com/the-gunflinttrail/a-scenic-byway/
Contact Person: Nancy Seaton

The Gunflint Trail Scenic Byway Committee is committed to the enhancement and preservation of the Gunflint Trail. We organize the spring clean-up of the ditches along the Trail, summer clean-up at the picnic spots and other projects as they arise. We also work with the local agencies on policies that may affect the experience of travelers on the Gunflint Trail.

Lutsen Tofte Tourism Association

P.O. Box 1330
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-663-7804
E-mail: ltta@boreal.org
www.lutsentofte.com
Contact Person: Alicia
The office for the main CCVB branch is 505 West Highway 61, and the office for the Lutsen/Tofte Information Center is 7136 West Highway 61, Tofte (housed in the North Shore Commercial Fishing Museum)
CCVB: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily
LTTA: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily (summer)

TRANSPORTATION

Arrowhead Transit/AEOA

702 3rd Avenue South
Virginia, MN 55792

2124 10th Street
Two Harbors, MN 55616
Telephone: 800-862-0175 ext. 104
E-mail: pam.smith@aeoa.org
www.arrowheadtransit.com
Contact Person: Pam Smith
Office hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Transportation hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Our mission is to provide affordable, safe, accessible public transportation and support independent living and self-reliance.

Rural Rides

P.O. Box 236 / 2124 10th Street
Two Harbors, MN 55616
Telephone: 800-223-1850 ext 112
E-mail: katy.keranen@aeoa.org
www.aeoa.org
Contact Person: Katy Keranen, Cook/Lake co. transportation advocate

Rural Rides offers work-related transportation in Cook County for qualifying individuals, including these short-term services for getting to and from work:

- ~ Personalized transportation plan
- ~ Arrowhead Transit bus tickets
- ~ Temporary volunteer driver rides
- ~ Mileage reimbursement dollars for qualifying coworkers who carpool for work

Rural Rides - Your road to success!

Workers on Wheels

PO Box 95
Grand Marais, MN 55604
Telephone: 218-387-2113
E-mail: congo@boreal.org
Contact Person: Rick Schubert

Workers on Wheels is an outreach of the First Congregational Church. We loan bicycles to the international workers for the summer. This helps with their transportation and hopefully improves their experience here in Cook County. We accept quality donated bikes and bring them up to a safe operating condition for the workers.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

Arrowhead RSVP-AEOA

702 3rd Avenue South
Virginia, MN 55792

Two Harbors AEOA
2124 10th Street
Two Harbors, MN 55616
Telephone: 800-662-5711 ext 228
E-mail: bonnie.ebnet@aeoa.org
www.aeoa.org
Contact Person: Bonnie Ebnet
Open Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Arrowhead RSVP serves Cook, Lake and St. Louis counties, engaging individuals 55 and better in volunteer service to meet critical community needs while providing high quality experiences that will enrich their lives. Service options with nonprofits are designed to meet one's interests, skills and schedule.

VOLUNTEER - YOUTH

Foster Grandparent Program NE MN/NW WI

1416 Cumming Avenue
Superior, WI 54880
Telephone: 888-338-6492
E-mail: redwards@ccbsuperior.org
Contact Person: Bobbi Edwards
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Volunteer as a Foster Grandparent



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Cook County KIDS PLUS



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KIDS PLUS -focus is to support the well-being of youth in our region, especially ages 9-15. As a community, our vision goals are: To involve youth at all levels of community responsibility, giving their input equal weight and consideration, thereby establishing and reinforcing their value as vital members of the community. Create programs, projects and settings that encourage, facilitate, and sustain community involvement. Provide opportunities to achieve diversified excellence. Support a variety of leisure and recreational activities benefiting all ages. Establish an environment that ensures personal safety. By supporting a variety of programs, we are able to continually incorporate our goals into what we do. We support After School Lounge, After School Enrichment Programs, Summer Kids Camp, Incredible Exchange, Mini Youth Grants, and Youth Leadership Trainings. KIDS PLUS discount cards are sold throughout the county for individuals to show their support for our work and you will get great discounts! Look for the cards at local businesses. Thank you to our members and businesses for your continued support!

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