



# Lori Branstrom Memorial Improvement Grant

Lori Branstrom held many leadership roles at the U.P. State Fair for many years before losing her battle to Pancreatic Cancer. She was extremely committed to the U.P. State Fair, the Delta County Chamber of Commerce, and helping children. Lori loved to make improvements to the fair each year, as her goal was to make the U.P. State Fair a better place for her grandchildren and other children to show animals someday. It is with this grant that we hope to continue making improvements to the U.P. State Fair just like Lori wanted to do.

## **Amount:**

- Two \$1,000 grants will be awarded

## **Who is Eligible:**

- All departments, clubs, or exhibitors associated with the U.P. State Fair

## **Application Deadline:**

- **Due April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**
- Applications must be turned in to the U.P. State Fair office at 1001 N Lincoln Road, Escanaba, MI 49829 or emailed to [info@upstatefair.org](mailto:info@upstatefair.org)
- Questions contact Matt @ 906-786-2192

## **Requirements:**

- A detailed letter stating who is requesting the grant, what the grant will be used for, and how this will benefit or enhance that area of the fair
- Improvement must be done on U.P. State Fair grounds
- Submit a budget of the estimated cost of the project and how much is requested
  - If the project cost is greater than \$500.00, 3 bids must accompany the request
  - Description of where other funds are available to complete the project if needed
- Grant recipients need to provide a project completion date
- A final report with information of how the funds were used and if the project met the goal of the application is due upon completion of the project

\*Money must be used for an improvement or enhancement to an area of the fairgrounds and cannot be used for awards, banners, or normal department budgets. Selection priority will be given to applicants that have not received a grant in the previous year.

**Recipients will be notified by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**