



2009 Cooperative Community Fund Applications are due by 9pm on Wednesday, August 26th.

Weaver Street Market's Cooperative Community Fund was established in 2001 as a permanent fund whose interest is given annually to local non-profit groups working on issues relating to sustainable agriculture and organic food, hunger and malnutrition, environmental protection, and cooperatives. This year the committee has \$1500 to disperse. Last year the committee awarded 3 \$500 grants.

To be eligible for funding, a group must:

1. be an IRS certified non-profit organization;
2. work in Orange, Chatham, or Alamance Counties, NC;
3. work in one of the four focus areas; and
4. agree to submit a press release to local media and otherwise publicize the award, and submit a brief statement of accomplishments to WSM by the following August 31.

Name of Organization: _____ Tax ID #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Person and Title: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

To Apply:

- Please return this form by 9 pm on **Wednesday, August 26, 2009**. You may drop it off at any WSM location, fax to 919 241-1799, or email feedback@weaverstreetmarketing.coop.

- check which of the following four areas your group works in:

Sustainable Agriculture/Organic Food

Hunger and malnutrition

Environmental Protection

Cooperatives

- And, please attach the following: 1) a list of your current board members, 2) your current year's budget, 3) a copy of your IRS letter verifying your non profit status (if this is your first time applying for a CCF grant), and 4) a maximum 2-page description of the goals and purpose of your organization, the population it serves, and the project for which you are requesting funds. We do consider applications for general operating funds, please state this in your application. The committee will evaluate your application on the above criteria as well as the following:

1. The impact of the grant on your group.
2. The impact of your project on the community.
3. The long-term goals of your organization.
4. Your group's ability to accomplish your goals.
5. Innovation and collaboration.
6. The alignment of your project with the mission of Weaver Street Market.

