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## **County Tourism Grant Application Deadline Nears**

**Carlinville-** Macoupin County organizations are encouraged to submit their applications for the Macoupin County Tourism Grant Program by January 2.

Applications can be submitted on a quarterly basis, but groups are encouraged to apply at least six months prior to their event, said Macoupin County Economic Development Coordinator Nora Feuquay. Other submission dates are April 1, July 1 and October 1.

The grant program, recently funded through the county's hotel/motel tax, was created to assist groups and non-profit organizations in the county with funding for marketing to improve tourism in Macoupin County, said Feuquay.

The first grant recipient was the Carlinville Christmas Market, which celebrated its 18<sup>th</sup> year December 7-9.

Guidelines and applications for the grant program are on the tourism section of the county's website, [www.macoupincountyil.gov](http://www.macoupincountyil.gov), or can be obtained by contacting Feuquay at 217-854-7727 or [nora.feuquay@macoupincountyil.gov](mailto:nora.feuquay@macoupincountyil.gov). Applications should be sent to Feuquay either via email or to 21480 B. IL Route 4 Carlinville, IL 62626.

Feuquay said that since the program was just recently funded the guideline stating that applications should be made at least six months prior to the event will be suspended for the October and January submission dates.

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