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New Grants Awarded
FY 2018-2019

Bhutanese Community Association of Pittsburgh (BCAP)
$60,000
Capacity-Building Project
Strengthen healthy opportunities and options for members of the local Bhutanese community, including youth & families, women and seniors, by building organizational and program capacity and partnerships.

Bhutanese Community Association of Pittsburgh (BCAP)
$10,000
Census 2020 Planning and Outreach
Provide capacity to support local efforts for the Census 2020 planning and outreach. These efforts will include participation in targeted Jefferson area outreach, as well as, guidance to Allegheny County and statewide Census coalitions.

Center for Hearing and Deaf Services
$50,000
Jefferson Hearing Aid/Assistive Listening Devices Program
Increase the quality of life for 64 low-income, Jefferson residents with hearing loss by providing free hearing aids/assistive listening devices to improve their hearing, communication, safety, and long-term health outcomes.

Center for Victims
$10,000
Trauma Education for Jefferson Organizations
Offer a series of workshops throughout the year to increase knowledge of Jefferson area organizations related to trauma (a minimum of three workshops).

Consumer Health Coalition
$5,000
Tobacco Cessation Mini-Grant
Representing the Jefferson Community Collaborative’s Health Engagement team, the Consumer Health Coalition will assist Jefferson area residents in combatting tobacco use through certifying two Jefferson area trainers to teach tobacco cessation courses in partnership with five community-serving organizations.

Duquesne University
$60,000
Sustainability of Surveillance and Treatment of Asthma in Clairton and South Allegheny Schoolchildren
Increase the health and school engagement of elementary children in the South Allegheny (Glassport, Port Vue, Liberty and Lincoln) and Clairton schools through asthma screenings, community education and school-based asthma clinics and continue to develop options for sustainability including the engagement of community health workers.
Economic Development South (DBA for Brentwood Economic Development Corp.)  $120,000

**Jefferson Area Transportation Pilot**

Improve access to health and human services for Jefferson area residents by piloting a nontraditional, transportation access program, Ruby Ride, in partnership with Jefferson Hospital, Squirrel Hill Health Center, and CCAC South.

Grounded Strategies  $60,000

**Grounded in Duquesne**

Foster community health, revitalization and community ownership by engaging Duquesne adult and youth residents to conduct a vacant land survey and host a series of workshops throughout the community to share relevant educational and volunteer opportunities.

Gwen's Girls  $60,000

**Gwen’s Girls Clairton Clubhouse and Transportation Support**

Strengthen families through a psycho-educational community support group for girls and their mothers/female caregivers, expand the academic intensity and maintain later hours of the current afterschool/summer program, and provide transportation support to participating Clairton youth.

Jewish Family and Community Services (JFCS)  $80,000

**Career Services and Immigration-Related Legal Services for South Hills Residents**

Increase career development services for unemployed and underemployed local residents by convening key partners to develop a local workforce center and continue to provide essential legal services for immigrant and international residents to enable their workforce participation as well as quality of life.

Jewish Healthcare Foundation  $25,000

**Jefferson Dementia Friends**

Continue quality of life for Jefferson residents living with dementia and their families, friends and caretakers through a statewide initiative to educate and breakdown the stigma surrounding dementia and implement practical changes to best support people living with dementia and those around them.

Literacy Pittsburgh  $100,000

**Capacity Building for Jefferson Communities**

Continue to meet the increased demand for essential literacy training for 130 local adults and families by supporting a Jefferson area coordinator, recruiting an additional 25 volunteers, develop joint programming with Jefferson organizations, and explore a focused role in workforce development.

Melting Pot Ministries  $180,000 (3 years- $60,000/$60,000/$60,000)

**Melting Pot Ministries Expansion Project**

Support the significant expansion of comprehensive youth afterschool and summer programs, family and school connections, and the development of a business plan for onsite mental health and related services for the South Park, Baldwin-Whitehall and Bethel Park areas to meet increasing demand and build on the capacity-building opportunities presented by the move to a larger, integrated facility.

Mon Valley Initiative  $60,000

**Workforce and Business Development Program for Jefferson Residents**

Assist in helping unemployed and under-employed Jefferson residents achieve financial self-sufficiency through offering a comprehensive workforce development program including financial literacy, one-on-one career counseling, resumes and interviews, group workshops, employer connections, and basic need referrals and train/equip local partners in serving jobseekers with criminal justice & other barriers.
Nurture PA
$50,000
Supporting Recovering Jefferson Moms of Newborns
Pilot the local expansion of an innovative, text-mentoring program which provides maternal support and promotes infant mental health to new mothers who are in recovery from addiction through a collaboration with AHN’s Perinatal Hope Program and PA Organization for Women in Early Recovery (POWER).

PA Voice
$25,000
Jefferson Counts- Census 2020 Planning
Increase civic engagement in the Jefferson area through a partnership with the Jefferson Community Collaborative to have a fair and accurate count for the Census 2020 in the Jefferson area which reaches deeply into traditionally undercounted communities.

Penn State Greater Allegheny
$45,000
University and Community Partnership for Mon Valley Communities
Continue to promote a partnership of Penn State Greater Allegheny and the City of McKeesport to build and leverage the outreach capacity of the Penn State-McKeesport Community Center to address joblessness and food insecurity in McKeesport and other Mon Valley communities.

PublicSource, Inc.
$60,000 (2 years- $30,000/$30,000)
Jefferson Civic Engagement and Storytelling
Increase Jefferson organizations and residents understanding of civic engagement, a top theme of the 2018 Around the Table South initiative, by providing resources and educational workshops on community engagement/storytelling taught by experienced journalists and draw attention to the Jefferson area by highlighting stories and first-person essays.

Saltworks
$30,000 (3 years- $10,000/$10,000/$10,000)
Prevention Live Theater Plays for Jefferson Middle and High Schools
Continue to increase knowledge about the truths and consequences of unhealthy decisions related to opioids, prescription drugs, e-cigarettes, and drug use in general for hundreds of Jefferson area middle and high school students and teachers through live theater productions, curriculum guides for teachers, and a question and answer session with young actors who have received training on addiction issues.

South Hills Interfaith Movement (SHIM)
$30,000
Jefferson Area Marketing Partnership Planning
Assess the needs, strengths and weaknesses of 6-8 local organizations interested in employing a collaborative, shared Chief Marketing Officer by partnering with experienced consultants Kevin Gieder (Principal, kgc) and Tim Hindes (Principal, TrailBlaze Creative) to strengthen the marketing capacity of Jefferson nonprofit organizations.

Squirrel Hill Health Center
$80,000
Health Center Growth and Expansion for the South Hills
Build organizational capacity to continue strategic growth and long-term stability of a local federally qualified health center which provides primary and preventive medical and behavioral health services to thousands of Jefferson low-income, uninsured patients of all ages, including the growing population of immigrants & refugees.
The Blessing Board

The Blessing Board McKeesport Expansion Project
Increase the quality of life and overall health and wellness for low-income McKeesport families and individuals by supporting the expansion of a McKeesport facility dedicated to collecting and providing furniture and home goods to these underserved populations.

The Forbes Funds

Executive in Residence Program
Build the leadership capacity of local organizations to more effectively serve the community through individual coaching and training, peer learning cohorts, and consulting assistance offered by highly experienced consultants, retired executives, and group trainings.

The Global Switchboard

All for All
Promote effective, coordinated efforts to build on the strengths of residents born in other countries through local capacity building to support immigrant integration, grow the number of foreign-born professionals entering healthcare, and highlight the South Hills community through a national conference.

The Mentoring Partnership of SWPA

Increasing the Quantity & Quality of Youth Mentoring in Jefferson Communities
Increase the number of Jefferson youth who benefit from quality mentoring through identifying the current status of mentoring programs, providing targeted outreach and technical assistance on best practices to Jefferson organizations, and introducing Everyday Mentoring designed to help all adults who have contact with youth recognize their potential to be more mentor-like in their interactions with youth.

The Pittsburgh Foundation

Public Health Improvement Fund
Support the continuation of a flexible, foundation-supported fund to strengthen public health in Allegheny County through capacity development and emerging needs in public health.

The Western PA Diaper Bank

Jefferson Area Diaper Access
Improve the health and well-being of Jefferson families in need by expanding access to free diapers and other essentials through Jefferson partner organizations.

Trying Together

Jefferson Family Engagement for Home-Based Childcare Providers
Increase access of Jefferson area low-income working parents and children to quality early childcare education by providing technical assistance, professional development, and family engagement workshops to home-based daycare centers enabling them to grow their quality, capacity & income.

United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania

Intergenerational Volunteer Opportunities in Jefferson Communities
Continue to expand volunteerism that connects generations and strengthens vital ties of support in Jefferson communities through increasing support for older adults and caregivers and providing mentors to middle school youth.
University Center for Social and Urban Research, University of Pittsburgh $24,000

Jefferson Area Community Data and Technical Assistance
Increase the knowledge and capacity of Jefferson area nonprofit and community organizations, including the Foundation, by providing specific, community-level data resources, group/individual technical assistance, and guidance on survey and questionnaire design, implementation and analysis.

Venture Outdoors $40,000

Jefferson Outdoor Recreation Programs
Continue to engage Jefferson youth, families, and older adults in the healthy benefits of active outdoor activity through targeted outdoor programming promoting health and wellness.

Veterans Breakfast Club $100,000 (2 years- $60,000/$40,000)

Expansion of Jefferson Veteran Storytelling
Increase storytelling, leadership, and community engagement for local post-9/11 and all Jefferson veterans through an expansion project which includes providing programs in McKeesport, Glassport, Port Vue, and/or West Mifflin, exploring a new financial model, and adding part-time, administrative staff capacity.

WQED Multimedia $50,000

Jefferson Family Creative Learning Initiative
Promote family engagement and positive connections to learning through expansion of WQED’s Ready to Learn project for young South Hills families, through twelve, four-week high-quality Family Creative Learning Workshops offered in partnership with local libraries and three community partners located in South Park, Clairton, and Baldwin/Whitehall.

YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh- Spencer Family YMCA Branch $110,000 (2 years- $60,000/$50,000)

Defining Opportunities for Jefferson Communities: The South Allegheny Community Wellness Center
Provide adults and youth living in Glassport, Port Vue, Lincoln, and Liberty Boroughs the opportunity for new, local group fitness/wellness options, including health education and afterschool programming, at the South Allegheny Community Wellness Center through a partnership with South Allegheny School District and the Spencer Family YMCA.

YouthPlaces
The Mon Valley Employment and Entrepreneur Camp $50,000
Increase workforce development skills for at-risk middle and high school youth from Clairton, Duquesne, and McKeesport by offering a summer program through an innovative partnership with PSU Greater Allegheny and a local company, TMS International, who will provide the workplace partnership and match each dollar raised to support a dual enrollment scholarship fund.

New Grants Awarded (excludes Ideas from the Table Mini Grants): $1,946,000
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Jefferson Regional Foundation

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Ideas from the Table Mini Grants
Awarded June 2019

Allegheny Health Network/Jefferson Hospital  $3,000
*Jefferson Hospital Volunteer Training in CPR Anytime*
Offer CPR Anytime through the American Heart Association to Hospital volunteers who consist of senior citizens, high school students, young adults with small children in the Jefferson Hospital service area.

Brentwood School District  $3,000
*Brentwood Immigrant and Refugee Family Event Translation Services*
Provide translation and interpretation for immigrant and refugee families in Brentwood for Enrollment and Open House events offered by Brentwood School District.

Carrick Community Council  $3,000
*Carrick Back to School Community Dinner*
Build excitement about the upcoming school year and provide school supplies to Carrick students and their families.

Clairton School District  $3,000
*Seminar on Social Equity for Clairton Professionals*
Assist with speaker fees for a seminar on social equity targeting Clairton professionals including the School District, Equity Committee, School Board officers, Clairton’s City Council, Unity Committee, officers police force, and County DHS.

First Presbyterian Church of Duquesne  $1,000
*Duquesne Community Poverty Simulation*
Offer a poverty simulation, an experience to sensitize participants to the realities of life faced by people experiencing low-income status, for members of the congregation and Duquesne community.

Glassport Borough  $3,000
*Glassport Playground and Family Park*
Build a playground and family park in Glassport for residents.

Melting Pot Ministries  $3,000
*Family Retreat for Low-Income Families in the Jefferson Area*
Support core costs for a family retreat scheduled in August/September 2019 at the Jumonville retreat center for 20-30 families experiencing low-income status in South Park, Baldwin, and Whitehall.
Pleasant Hills Library

Pleasant Hills Library Virtual Reality System
Purchase a virtual reality system for the library that will assist in educational and experiential programming.

Strong Women, Strong Girls (Empower Yoga)

Empower Yoga for Homeless and Housing-Insecure Women in the Jefferson Area
Support a weekly yoga and wellness program for homeless and housing-insecure women in McKeesport, Clairton, Duquesne, North Versailles, Munhall, West Mifflin and neighboring Mon Valley communities.

Trying Together/Kids Plus Pediatrics

Special Health Care and Developmental Needs Patient Survey
Implement a patient survey to identify the specific needs of families with children who have special health care and developmental needs.

Women for a Healthy Environment

Workshops on Healthy Homes for Jefferson Area Immigrant and Refugee Families
Conduct workshops on healthy homes (lead education, asthma education, green cleaning) to SHIM and Latino Community Center families.

Total Ideas from the Table Mini Grants Awarded June 2019: $28,500

Total Grants Awarded FY 2018-2019 (July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019): $1,974,500

Total Awarded since inception: $10.9 million

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