



Total New Grants Awarded FY 2019-2020 (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020): \$2,733,200

Total Awarded Since Inception: \$13,602,960

FY2019-2020 brought new opportunities for the Foundation’s civic engagement work with Census 2020 and tremendous challenges for the nonprofit sector in responding to rapidly changing community needs and continued uncertainty due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the year, the Foundation awarded nearly \$2.2 million in new grants through its established three grant cycles. In addition, the Foundation awarded \$56,200 in minigrant funds dedicated to the Jefferson Counts 2020 Census Initiative which supported Census education, outreach and technical assistance in the Jefferson area. As an initial response to the virus, the Foundation established the special JRF Emergency COVID-19 Fund totaling \$500,000 which was disbursed between April and May 2020.

Jefferson Regional Foundation Grants

Allegheny County Department of Human Services **\$15,000**
A Needs Assessment for Serving Allegheny County’s Latino Residents

Develop and implement a community needs assessment to promote effective, coordinated efforts across the local Latino community, leverage new partners, and build on the strengths of Latino residents.

Beverly’s Birthdays **\$30,000**
Itty Bitty Birthday Cheer - Supporting Babies Through Their First Milestone Year

Provide support to low-income women and parents/caregivers during pregnancy and through baby’s first year by offering free community baby showers, newborn care packages, and a new, pilot program, the Baby Formula and Infant Care Crisis Supply Bank, which will serve 100 families in partnership with the Duquesne and McKeesport family support centers.

Bhutanese Community Association of Pittsburgh **\$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.

Breathe Pennsylvania **\$35,000**
Vaping Education and Diversion Program for Jefferson Schools

Meet the growing demand for vaping education of youth by offering training to Jefferson school administrators and staff and access to a daylong student diversionary education and cessation program called Smokeless Saturdays.

Carnegie Library of Homestead **\$250,000**
Expanding and Improving a Community Asset

Support afterschool program expansion and library services to the community of West Mifflin and provide capital support to improve the Athletic Club and Music Hall facilities to be welcoming and usable for all Jefferson residents.

Community College of Allegheny County **\$200,000**
Expanding Access to Training for Health Careers at CCAC South Campus

Renovate outdated CCAC South labs to meet professional standards for instruction in Medical Assistant and Medical Laboratory Technician courses and pilot a health careers summer program for Jefferson area high school students.

Communities In Schools Pittsburgh Allegheny County **\$40,000**
Supporting School Transitions: Duquesne City Schools

Support the students and families of Duquesne City Schools as they transition to West Mifflin school district through the use of community engagement and collaboration strategies which result in student success, increased parent engagement, and improved participation and perceptions.

Duquesne University **\$60,000**
Caring for Asthma among Mon Valley schoolchildren

Increase the health and school engagement of elementary children in the Mon Valley through partnerships with school districts (South Allegheny, Clairton, and one to be determined) by offering asthma screenings, community education, school-based asthma clinics, community health workers, and continue to develop options for long-term sustainability.

Economic Development South (EDS) **\$110,000**
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 and local communities while building a financial model and metrics to measure SDOH impacts.

Economic Development South (EDS) **\$25,000**
Operational Capacity Building

Strengthen opportunities for Jefferson residents and organizations by increasing operational capacity for community development expertise which advances Foundation and Jefferson Community Collaborative priorities.

Economic Development South (EDS) **\$74,000**
Clairton Community Capacity Building for Social Services

Develop a structure to continue to expand human services information and resources for Clairton residents and organizations by strengthening the capacity of Clairton Cares to coordinate and deliver services and leverage its key role as a subcontractor in implementing the Neighborhood Partnership Program.

Footbridge for Families **\$60,000**

Rapid Response Funding to Support Families in the Jefferson Service Area

Assist 100 Jefferson residents during times of short-term financial crisis and provide connections to additional supports through an innovative new tech platform which facilitates rapid financial response based on referrals from trusted frontline sources such as physicians, pastors, and Jefferson Collaborative organizations with direct payment to third-party vendors and also facilitates donor support.

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank **\$250,000**

Grow, Share, Thrive Campaign

Provide capital support to renovate and expand the existing facility in Duquesne to meet the increased demand for fresh produce, to serve 200 families/month through a new Model Food Pantry and offer a test kitchen and classroom for cooking classes, and to streamline warehouse operations.

Jewish Family and Community Services of Pittsburgh **\$120,000 over two years (\$60,000/year)**

Career 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 a relevant collective impact model.

Literacy Pittsburgh **\$80,000**

A Ready and Relevant Workforce for Jefferson Communities

Enable Jefferson adult learners to be ready and relevant in the workforce by developing career pathways in hospitality, environmental services, construction, and early childhood education, expanding Family Literacy programming to serve 100 students and 45 families, and exploring the possibility of expansion to a second South Hills Family Literacy site (site currently in Baldwin).

Nurture PA, Inc. **\$60,000**

Building Sustainability of Text-Mentoring Program for Jefferson Moms of Newborns

Enhance the sustainability and expansion of an innovative, cost-efficient program to transform how parents access information and promote the healthy social and emotional development of young children by linking volunteer mentors and new parents through cell phone text messaging using a developed software tool and evidence-based knowledge bank.

Pure Ballroom **\$13,000**

The E.S.T.E.E.M. Group

Promote physical, mental and social-emotional well-being in fourth and fifth graders at West Mifflin Middle School through a curriculum that uses education, motion, and the arts to encourage physical activity, break down social barriers, and improve self-confidence for over 350 students in West Mifflin Middle School.

Sister's Place **\$55,000**

Capacity Building to Support Family Stability

Assist homeless single parent families through holistic supportive services including transportation, out of school programs, and basic resources and build organizational capacity through assisting with a relocation and the creation of a development/fundraising plan.

<p>South Hills Interfaith Movement <i>Do More Good Campaign</i> Provide support to SHIM’s Do More Good Campaign to build long-term sustainability and a comprehensive service delivery model needed to support the 7,500 South Hills individuals facing suburban poverty by meeting basic needs, building community, and achieving self-sufficiency.</p>	<p>\$200,000</p>
<p>The Bayer Center for Nonprofit Management at Robert Morris University <i>Burning for Learning Capacity Building Series</i> Increase the knowledge and capacity of Jefferson area nonprofit and community organizations by providing five customized educational workshops, an in-depth consulting cohort for five Jefferson organization focused on human resource practices and management, and a customizable program for ten Jefferson organizations on board management and collaboration.</p>	<p>\$40,000</p>
<p>The Blessing Board <i>McKeesport Expansion and Sustainability</i> Increase the quality of life and overall health and wellness for low-income McKeesport families and individuals by supporting the expansion and sustainability of a McKeesport facility dedicated to collecting and providing furniture and home goods.</p>	<p>\$180,000 over two years (\$90,000/year)</p>
<p>The Dragon's Den <i>Dragon's Den's Challenge Course Pilot</i> Build self-confidence, trust, and sociability of school-age youth from Propel Schools in Hazelwood and Homestead, Steel Valley School District, YouthCast in McKeesport, and Sacred Heart Elementary School through a pilot program at the newly constructed therapeutic and educational challenge course and zip line in the historic St. Mary Magdalene church in Homestead.</p>	<p>\$50,000</p>
<p>The Grantmakers of Western Pennsylvania <i>Census 2020 Philanthropic Fund</i> Support the creation of a flexible, foundation-supported fund to strengthen Allegheny County’s Census 2020 education and outreach as a resource for the Foundation’s Jefferson Counts census campaign.</p>	<p>\$25,000</p>
<p>The Mon Valley Initiative <i>Workforce and Business Development for Jefferson Residents</i> Help unemployed and under-employed Jefferson residents achieve financial self-sufficiency through offering a comprehensive workforce development program and assist the organization in the Clairton Inn real estate project to address blight and create new affordable housing.</p>	<p>\$85,000</p>
<p>Vision To Learn <i>Enhanced Access to Vision Assessments and Glasses for Jefferson Students</i> Increase the health and school engagement of schoolchildren in Jefferson communities in partnership with school districts (McKeesport, Steel Valley, West Mifflin, and Brentwood) by offering vision exams to 600 students and glasses onsite to 480 students.</p>	<p>\$60,000</p>

Total Jefferson Regional Foundation Grants Awarded: \$2,177,000

Jefferson Counts Census 2020 Mini Grants

Allegheny Health Network/Jefferson Hospital <i>Census 2020 Outreach</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$1,200
Allegheny Intermediate Unit/Clairton Family Center <i>Census 2020 Outreach to Clairton Families and Young Children</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$7,000
Borough of Lincoln <i>Census 2020 Outreach to South Allegheny Communities</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$7,000
Carnegie of Homestead <i>Census 2020 Outreach to Homestead, Munhall, West Mifflin West Homestead, and Whitaker</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$10,000
Dress for Success Pittsburgh <i>Census 2020 Mobile Outreach</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$1,500
Duquesne City School District <i>Census 2020 Outreach to the City of Duquesne</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$8,000
Jewish Family and Community Services of Pittsburgh <i>Census Outreach</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$8,000
LifeSpan, Inc. <i>Census Outreach to Older Adults</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$5,000
Strong Women, Strong Girls <i>Census 2020 Outreach</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$1,500
Youth Opportunities Development <i>Census Outreach to Clairton Youth</i> Implement strategies for Census 2020 education, outreach, and/or assistance.	\$7,000

Total Jefferson Counts Census 2020 Mini Grants Awarded: \$56,200

Jefferson COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund Grants

412 Food Rescue	\$35,000
Home deliveries to homebound seniors, deliveries to youth/families at bus stops, and regular partner food distribution.	
AHN/Jefferson Hospital	\$35,000
Necessary medical supplies/equipment to address COVID-19.	
Bhutanese Community Association of Pittsburgh (BCAP)	\$35,000
Refurbished laptops, grocery gift cards, and senior chats on Facebook for Bhutanese residents.	
Beverly's Birthdays in partnership with the Western PA Diaper Bank	\$25,000
Distribution of Itty Bitty Crisis Cheer Kits: diapers, wipes, formula, baby food, baby/child hygiene products, and snack packs to 15 Jefferson organizations.	
Blood Science Foundation	\$35,000
Local marketing campaign to increase blood donations and to complete COVID compliant renovations to South Hills center.	
Cribs for Kids	\$24,000
Ship cribs/sheets directly to the home instead of through hospitals, etc. using partnerships and educating mothers/families on safe sleep.	
Economic Development South (EDS)	\$35,000
Twice/week food deliveries to 50 homebound Clairton residents through Ruby Ride and in partnership with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank.	
Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank	\$35,000
Deliver food to Jefferson residents in need through local partnerships.	
Grounded Strategies	\$5,500
Ensure four key neighborhood green spaces in McKeesport and Clairton are usable and safe for families.	
Gwen's Girls	\$35,000
Support for an Academic Support Initiative which will provide live, web-based tutoring sessions free Of charge to 42 Jefferson girls.	

NeighborWorks	\$15,000
Offer mortgage and financial education and counseling for foreclosure mitigation.	
Pittsburghers for Public Transit	\$20,000
Offer face coverings for residents at overcrowded Jefferson bus stops and advocate for future public transit funding.	
Sisters Place	\$28,500
Supply additional needs for food, household and school supplies for homeless families and for staff safety.	
Squirrel Hill Health Center	\$35,000
Operating costs for changing landscape of healthcare services (telemedicine, mental health, check-ins, etc.).	
TCV Community Services	\$35,000
TCV requests technology for staff (laptops and tablets) and 10-12 educational videos and trainings for staff on coping skills and communication in these times with COVID-19	
The Blessing Board	\$35,000
Assist in reopening to redistribute furniture by supplying necessary sanitation space, disinfectant/cleaning equipment &supplies and technology for virtual shopping.	
Veterans Breakfast Club	\$12,000
Upgraded subscriptions to Zoom and Crowdcast, upgraded laptops, microphone, and studio equipment.	
Women for a Healthy Environment	\$20,000
Offer equipment and supplies to early learning center staff and assist family support centers with safe cleaning supplies.	

Total Jefferson COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund Grants Awarded: \$500,000

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