



New Grants Awarded FY 2021-2022

Updated December 2021

Beverly’s Birthdays **\$40,000**
Championing Cheer

Provide support and opportunity to Jefferson women and parents/caregivers experiencing financial hardship during pregnancy and through the early years of a child’s life by offering 20 group birthday parties, 8 community baby showers, providing tangible items of support (baby/birthday supplies and clothing), and building an ambassador program to guide future programming.

Girl Scouts of Western Pennsylvania **\$50,000 over two years (\$25,000/year)**
Mon Valley Outreach

Build a strong sense of self and confidence for 40 girls in grades 4-6th through participation in the national Girl Scouts Leadership Experience with staff-based support in partnership with Propel Homestead, Propel McKeesport, and the Dragon’s Den.

Hello Neighbor **\$100,000**
Refugee Resettlement and Engagement

Increase the health and wellness of refugee families living in Jefferson communities by supporting the launch of a new, federally funded reception and placement program which uses a volunteer-led community sponsorship program to engage the broader Jefferson community in improving refugee cultural and community integration through assistance with housing, education, jobs, language, and navigating American systems.

PublicSource **\$65,000 over two years (\$35,000 in year one and \$30,000 in year two)**
Civic Engagement, Storytelling, and Journalism

Increase Jefferson organizations and residents understanding of civic engagement by providing resources and six educational workshops on community engagement/storytelling taught by experienced journalists and draw attention to the Jefferson area by highlighting 15 stories which may include first-person essays.

The Blessing Board **\$200,000**
South Showroom: West Mifflin Location

Increase the quality of life and overall health and wellness for more low-income Jefferson families and individuals by supporting the operations and sustainability of a furniture bank at a new West Mifflin site.

The ESTEEM Group **\$10,000**
Social and Emotional Programming for Jefferson Youth
Provide 350 West Mifflin Area Middle School students (4th and 5th grade) with social and emotional programming.

Veterans Breakfast Club **\$60,000**
Expansion and Membership Model
Support local veterans and their mental health by re-introducing local, in-person storytelling events in the Jefferson area (8 in McKeesport and 4 in Bethel Park), expanding online programming, launching a new membership model, and adding part-time event staff capacity.

Vision to Learn **\$60,000**
Vision Resources for Students in Jefferson Communities
Increase the health and school engagement of schoolchildren in Jefferson communities in partnership with school districts (Elizabeth-Forward, West Mifflin, and Brentwood) by offering vision exams to 500 students and glasses onsite to 400 students.

Women for a Healthy Environment **\$75,000**
Strengthening and Sustaining Healthy Communities
Increase awareness of environmental health factors for employees and families in 24 early childcare centers, engage two Jefferson school districts in Healthy Schools Recognition, and conduct 24 home assessments for Jefferson residents/families by providing technical assistance on an Eco-Healthy Checklist and offering low-cost, sustainable solutions that will improve health outcomes for Jefferson families/children.

Total Amount of New Grants Awarded in FY 2021-2022: \$660,000

9 New Grants Awarded July 1, 2021-December 31, 2021

Total Awarded Since Inception: \$17,327,460

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