Jefferson Regional Foundation

Investing in the health & vitality of Jefferson Hospital communities

New Grants Awarded: FY 2022-2023

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Jefferson Regional Foundation Grants

Anna Middleton Waite Learning Center **$30,000**
Providing Digital Equity for Older Adults
Provide older adults the necessary tools to engage in the digital world by providing personal computers, wi-fi access, technical support, and training.

Beverly's Birthdays **$50,000**
Championing Social/Emotional Youth Development
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 group birthday parties, community baby showers, providing tangible items of support (baby/birthday supplies and clothing), and providing access to the newly formed Greater Pittsburgh Infant Formula Bank.

Black Women's Policy Center, Inc. **$150,000**
Building Civic Engagement Power for Black Women
Improve the health and wellness of Black women living in McKeesport, Duquesne, Clairton, West Mifflin and Homestead and share their lived experience by offering support and coaching through system navigation, connection to resources, advocacy on shaping public policy, and training and education.

Black Women's Policy Center, Inc. **$10,000**
Supporting Capacity for Community Engagement
Secure a new location for the Black Women's Policy Center to continue its community development work.

Citizen Science Lab **$34,000**
STEM Programming for Jefferson Young People
Increase the number of students of color interested in Science, Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) by providing 10 interactive STEM workshops for 100 young people participating in out-of-school time programs at Dragon's Den, SHIM, and YouthPlaces.

Dragon's Den **$120,000**
Out-of-School Time Youth Programming
Build self-confidence, trust, and sociability of Jefferson school-age youth and develop deeper community engagement in Homestead by offering after school programs, summer camps, and introducing community workshops/events using the challenge course and zip line in the historic St. Mary Magdalene church.

Duquesne University **$60,000**
Bridges to Health for the Mon Valley
Increase overall health and wellness for Mon Valley residents by working to address health disparities and community-identified health priorities, with a focus on asthma, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, mental health, and social determinants of health.

Footbridge for Families, Inc **$60,000**
Rapid Response Funding to Support Jefferson Families
Assist 15-30 Jefferson residents during times of short-term financial crisis and provide connections to additional supports through an innovative technology platform which facilitates rapid financial response to vendors.

Melanin Mommies Pittsburgh **$40,000**
H.E.A.L. Together, Mental Health Circle for Black Women and Mothers
Assist 50 Black mothers and women living in the Mon Valley communities of mckeesport, Duquesne, and Homestead who have experienced the impacts of gun violence in their healing journey by providing free, accessible, and stigma-free therapy and grief counseling.

PA CleanWays of Allegheny County, Inc. d.b.a Allegheny CleanWays **$30,000**
Eliminating Illegal Trash Dumping to Increase Public Health
Engage and empower residents of McKeesport to eliminate illegal dumping by participating in community cleaning of illegal dumpsites and assess illegal dumping for Clairton, West Mifflin, and Elizabeth Township, and Forward Township.

Storehouse for Teachers d.b.a The Education Partnership **$70,000**
Providing Essential School Supplies to Promote Learning
Improve the long-term overall health and well-being and educational outcomes of students attending Clairton Middle/High School, Duquesne Elementary School, Founders' Hall Middle School (McKeesport), and Twin Rivers Elementary School (McKeesport) by providing each student with individual school supplies and providing teachers access to the teacher resource center for supplies and equipment.

The Blessing Board **$75,000**
South Showroom: West Mifflin Location
Increase the quality of life and overall health and wellness for families and individuals experiencing low-income status living in the Jefferson Regional service area by supporting the operations and sustainability of a furniture/durable medical equipment bank in West Mifflin.

The Mon Valley Initiative **$175,000**
Workforce Development and Financial Coaching
Assist unemployed and under-employed Jefferson residents in achieving their goals of financial self- sufficiency through offering a comprehensive workforce development program.

United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania **$35,000**
Welcome Back Summer 2023
Provide in-person summer programming with hands-on and social and emotional learning opportunities for youth in kindergarten through high school by managing and implementing a collaborative funding model.

Young People in Recovery **$42,000**
Building Safe Recovery Networks for Young People
Improve access to a peer-recovery network, treatment, education, housing, and employment for Jefferson young people in substance abuse recovery through launching a peer-led chapter to conduct pro-social activities, all-recovery meetings, and life skill workshops in the Jefferson area.

Total Jefferson Regional Foundation Grants Awarded: $971,000

Jefferson Votes Initiative Mini Grants

Jefferson Votes mini-grants were awarded to assist organizations with costs associated with nonpartisan voter education and outreach in relation to the 2022 general election. Organizations could request mini-grants up to $1,000 and must be members of the Jefferson Community Collaborative and Voter

Engagement Champions to receive funding. Mini-grants supported a range of voter engagement activities including voter registration events, voter communication and reminders, social media outreach, and more.

The Jefferson Regional Foundation awarded $1,000 mini-grants to the 13 organizations below for a total of $13,000:

- **Allegheny Intermediate Unit**
- **Bhutanese Community Association of Pittsburgh**
- **Carnegie Library of Homestead**
- **Cash For Kids**
- **Clairton Unity Group**
- **Dragon's Den**
- **Dress for Success Pittsburgh**
- **Gwen's Girls, Inc.**
- **Heuer House**
- **Just Harvest Education Fund**
- **LifeSpan, Inc.**
- **Southwestern Pennsylvania Partnership for Aging**
- **Young Women's Christian Association Greater Pittsburgh**

Total Amount of New Grants Awarded in FY 2022-2023: $984,000

28 New Grants Awarded July 1, 2022-March 31, 2023

Total Awarded Since Inception: $20,348,960

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