



## Projects Funded in Spring 2023

Neighborhood Connections has approved \$401,211 in grants to support 112 projects in Cuyahoga County.

Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, the local public funder for arts and culture, will co-fund 24 resident-led arts and culture projects (noted with an “\*\*”) through a partnership with Neighborhood Connections. Additional projects are co-funded by The McGregor Foundation (“\*\*\*) and The Char and Chuck Fowler Family Foundation (“\*\*\*\*”). Learn more at [www.NeighborUpCLE.org](http://www.NeighborUpCLE.org).

Organization	Project Name	Neighborhood	Summary
10 Miles of Spring Breeze	10 miles of spring breeze in Chinatown	Asiatown	<b>10 Miles of Spring Breeze</b> , located in Asiatown, was awarded \$4700 to install more flower planters in their neighborhood to beautify their neighborhood and create a stronger sense of place for community members.
A Useful Vessel Counseling & Resources	United We Stand Divided We Fall	Central-Kinsman	<b>A Useful Vessel Counseling &amp; Resources</b> , located in Central-Kinsman, was awarded \$4700 to facilitate trainings at the Rainbow Terrance Learning center focused on having difficult conversations and talking about when you see something, why is it so hard to say something.
AIM	STEMulating Young Minds for Success	Glenville	<b>AIM</b> , located in Glennville, was awarded \$4000 for <b>providing</b> mentoring opportunities to young women.

Avid Artists Collective*	Guatemala mural	Clark Fulton	<b>Avid Artists Collective</b> , located in Clark Fulton, was awarded \$2149 to create an inspiring, cultural Guatemala mural scenery and celebrate diversity. The aim is to embrace culture, while elevating the neighborhood with beauty and vitality.
Band Boosters	HBCU College Day 2023	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>The Band Boosters</b> was awarded \$3685 to collaborate with Music Through the Streets to have a Resource/College Fair event and provide exposure to students and families of the different avenues that are available for higher learning.
Baseball Heritage Museum	"Back to the Sandlot" Baseball Clinics	Hough	<b>The Baseball Heritage Museum</b> , located in Hough, was awarded \$4700 to utilize the Baseball Heritage Museum's unique position as stewards of baseball's past to engage Cleveland's youth with the game.
Beautifully Authentic Moms	YOUR YEAR	North Collinwood	<b>Beautifully Authentic Moms</b> was awarded \$2692 to provide the basic necessities needed for your first year of college, such as blankets& sheets, cleaning & hygiene products, supplies for class, and more.
Benjamin Franklin Community Garden	Creating a Serene Outdoor Community Space in the Urban Heart of Cleveland	Old Brooklyn	<b>Ben Franklin Community Garden</b> , located in Old Brooklyn, was awarded \$3290 to continue the work of renewing a major neglected area of the garden, expanding into the wooded area beyond the newly renewed pavilion area.
Black Fathers Initiative of Cleveland*	Community Arts, Resources and Education (CARE) Fairs	Union Miles	<b>Black Father Initiative of Cleveland</b> , located in Union Miles was awarded \$2820 to provide particularly fathers and single parents with resources and fun activities to help bring their families and community together over the summer It's important to BFIC to develop strong families to build resident leadership and empower our families with this annual series of events during the summer.
Buckeye Thrives Community Events	Buckeye Thrives Community Resource Event	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>Buckeye Thrives Community Resource Event</b> , located in Buckeye-Woodhill. was awarded \$1880 to give community residents the opportunity to engage with community partners, which is breaking down barriers to seek services.

CDC Collaborative	CD Collaborative	Cleveland	<b>CDC Collab</b> was awarded \$3500. The CDC Collab is a network of Cleveland Community Development Corporation (CDC) workers and alumni dedicated to addressing common issues across CDCs. Our group was born from realizing that Cleveland CDCs are not connected except at the highest (Executive Director—ED) level, limiting collaboration around problems relevant across CDCs; namely how to address chronic issues that affect the residents we serve around the city, worker wages, and political influence over our operations.
CHALK	CHALK Pollinator Pathway	Shaker Square	<b>CHALK</b> , located in Shaker Square, was awarded \$3760 to offer 20 homeowners the opportunity to establish a small native plant pollinator garden on their tree lawns or perhaps a few front lawns close to the sidewalk.
Changing Lives Outreach**	Technology and Me	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Changing Lives Outreach</b> was awarded \$3290 to provide seniors with skills necessary to use their smartphones and tablets comfortably and to decrease the fear of technology through weekly, one hour practice sessions with one-on-one assistance.
Chifirempire	Chifirempire Soccer Camp	University Circle	<b>Chifirempire</b> , located in University Circle, was awarded \$3760 to support our initiative to assist the youth in the community by providing a soccer drill camp completely free to the community taught by soccer player Chichi Igbo.
Children At Play Costumes	Need 2 Read Tour	Clark Fulton	<b>Children at Play Costumes</b> , located in University Circle, was awarded \$4465 to visit mid to high-risk targeted readers and new to reading skills with communities in Northeast Ohio locations in schools, libraries and community centers to engage children and families in reading and activities with Costume Characters.
CIPTT	Environmental Hazards: Safe Space for Cover	Central-Kinsman	<b>CIPTT</b> , located in Central-Kinsman, was awarded \$3760 to establish the garden as a beacon and anchor in the community for health and wellness by installing a safe, covered gazebo at the garden that can withstand the elements so that we can conduct educational programs on site without interruption, which include, becoming an educational resource center for literacy and on environmental hazards that can adversely affect mental health.

Cleveland Clergy Coalition	Cleveland Clergy Coalition Weekly Podcast	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>The Cleveland Clergy Coalition</b> was awarded \$3196 to enhance and project its weekly community podcast. The podcast public forum provides an opportunity for the community to come together and discuss issues to improve and transform our neighborhoods.
Cleveland Glory Waist Drum Team*	Waist Drum Dance in Asiatown	Asiatown	<b>Cleveland Glory Waist Drum Team</b> , located in Asiatown, was awarded \$2350 to attract more local residents to join the team. They are going to increase their online practices and study classes (choreography and music editing). and are planning on doing more dance practice in multiple smaller groups (online or in-person) to get more new members involved.
Community Yahoo's*	Fleet Avenue Music Festival	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>Community Yahoo's</b> , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$4700 to have this festival in memory of their longtime friend and local business owner Walter Hyde.
Corner Ring Boxing	“Youth in Training with Corner Ring Boxing Club”	Clark Fulton	<b>Corner Ring Boxing</b> , located in Clark-Fulton, was awarded \$2350 to continue to train the youth in boxing and life skills and to create a landing page or a one pager to share the information with the community for support and recruitment of other coaches, partners, and even more youth.
Crooked River Circus & School	The Circus Comes to Slavic Village	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>Crooked River Circus</b> , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$719 to bring at least two circus performances to Slavic Village in the summer of 2023, and provide at least two intros to circus classes to Slavic Village youth between June 2023 and February 2024
DCK Arts & Entertainment*	Summer Arts & Cultural Youth Fest	Lee Harvard	<b>DCK Arts &amp; Entertainment</b> , located in Lee-Harvard, was awarded \$4700 to distribute free book bags, school supplies, and free books via their collaboration with Literacy in the Hood as well as toiletries for youth such toothpaste, toothbrush, and mouth wash, and more
Destination Dream	Be Happy Block Party Celebration	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>Destination Dream</b> , located in Buckeye-Woodhill, was awarded \$3008 to continue offering creative community events that provide community connectedness in the Ward 4 and surrounding Buckeye area that continues to build trust with community members and leaders as we continue to expand our mission and implement our neighborhood vision for the Buckeye area.

Djapo Cultural Arts Institute	Djapo Cultural Arts Spring Cultural Arts Series	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Djapo Cultural Arts Institute</b> was awarded \$1880 to implement a 12-week Spring Cultural Arts Series of cultural arts programming which will culminate with a Juneteenth Weekend Event full of Master Workshops and a Juneteenth Concert. Djapo Cultural Arts Institute will sponsor free weekly classes of Tai Chi, West African Dance, West African Drumming, Capoeira, Diasporic Art Classes, Drum Making/Drum Repair Workshops, Caribbean Dance, Afrobeats Dance and Line Dancing on a weekly basis.
East 108th Street Club*	10th Annual Intergenerational Community Day	Union Miles	<b>East 108th Street Club</b> , located in Union-Miles, was awarded \$4113 to provide their community and surrounding communities with a day of unity, providing activities, fun and education, for all age groups.
East Cleveland Farmers Market	Community Survey on Food Preferences	East Cleveland	<b>East Cleveland Farmers Market</b> , located in East Cleveland, was awarded \$1880 to conduct an extensive survey with the residents of East Cleveland, the Collinwood and parts of the Glenville neighborhood to document the food preferences and access barriers, and to improve the viability of the Market to serve these communities with fresh and healthy food.
EC Grows Community Garden**	Growing Together- Phase Two: Repairing and Beautifying the Garden	East Cleveland	<b>EC Grows Community Garden</b> , located in East Cleveland, was awarded \$4700 to engage a local artist to create a design for murals to be painted upon the shipping container as well as on several existing metal water barrels and other containers throughout the garden.
Euclid Beach Park Now	18th Annual "Remembering the Sights and Sounds of Euclid Beach Park"	North Collinwood	<b>Euclid Beach Park Now</b> , located in North Collinwood, was awarded \$2350 to recreate a visit to the amusement park through the use of photo posters with text of specific rides or attractions which are set up in the park as near as possible to where the ride or attraction once stood.
Extravagant Care Services, Inc.*	Midtown Community Love Fest	Midtown	<b>Extravagant Care Services</b> , located in Midtown, was awarded \$4700 to unite all of Cleveland through Rock and Roll, R&B and Latin music, as well as invite students from the Cleveland Classical Guitar program to participate in an effort to promote peace, love and unity in the Hough/Midtown neighborhood.

Fairfax Garden Village	Fairfax Garden and Transformation Team	Fairfax	<b>Fairfax Garden Village</b> was awarded \$4000 to encourage awareness of some of the historical rich history of our neighborhood as well as some of the great things that are going on in our neighborhood right now. Our team serves to share in the educating of ourselves and other residents on how to: improve the appearance of our property; recycle, repurpose, and reduce waste; discover neighbor gifts and talents and share them; encourage communication and dialogue among neighbors; and more.
Fashion Week Cleveland	Fashion Week Cleveland 2023	Downtown	<b>Fashion Week Cleveland</b> , located in Downtown Cleveland, was awarded \$1880 to have their second annual community fashion show this summer. The annual show is important because it gives an opportunity and platform to models, designers, disk jockeys, children, small businesses, vendors, and others in the community that desire to showcase their talent and skill for the first time.
Fountain of Grace Ministries	To Go Meals In Slavic Village	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>Fountain of Grace Ministries</b> , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$4000 to facilitate programs that assists neighbors. EX: clothing, food, blessing box outside the building, recovery meeting, hygiene/household products etc.
Friends of Impett Park*	Native, Pollinator, & Rain Gardening at Impett Park	West Park	<b>Friends of Impett Park</b> , located in West Park, was awarded \$3700 to improve the natural habitat at Impett Park by designing, planting, and maintaining watershed-friendly native/pollinator/rain gardens and woodland plantings.
Friends of the East Cleveland Public Library	Bloom Where You Are Planted	East Cleveland	<b>Friends of the East Cleveland Public Library</b> , located in East Cleveland, was awarded \$2299 to freshen the garden space and provide additional programming to expand the opportunity of community gardening as a way to further community connection.

Front Steps Housing & Services	Front Steps Resident Garden Expansion	Ohio City	<b>Front Steps Housing &amp; Services</b> , located in Ohio City, was awarded \$2820 to expand the garden with more food options, and a fountain. Their program provides residents with workshops on gardening and a paid position for current or former residents to increase stewardship, ensure the success the garden, and provide ongoing maintenance at it.
G.O.A.L.S UNLTD, INC.	Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Cleveland	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>G.O.A.L.S UNLTD INC.</b> was awarded \$4324 to combat the liabilities that stem from mental health stigmas. They navigate local resources in their community to bridge any gaps in systemic barriers. Services will be offered to the targeted community residents for free of charge. This project will help All participants will receive a "self-care" kit including hygiene products and self-care gifts upon session completion (while supplies last).
Girls in Gear***	Girls in Gear Cleveland New Volunteer Training + Learn to Ride Program	North Collinwood	<b>Girls in Gear</b> , located in North Collinwood, was awarded \$4700 to host 250 riders across program sites and learn-to-ride clinics in both the spring and fall and to host our coach training for new volunteers as well as a free learn-to-ride clinic, both in preparation for our fall season.
God's Vision Foundation	Mom, Fathers & Babies Event	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>God's Vision Foundation</b> was awarded \$2350 to focus on social-emotional health and addiction needs of women, men and children are met.
Graffiti HeArt*	Street Art & Aerosol Painting Workshop	St. Clair Superior	<b>Graffiti HeArt</b> , located in St Clair Superior, was awarded \$4700 to implement the project, Graffiti HeArt artists will lead demonstrations and techniques for using aerosols, stencils, and other paint-based applications to the community. Community members will then have the opportunity to paint individual canvases to be on display during a community gallery exhibit at Graffiti HeArt building in St. Claire & Superior, including a party celebrating the workshop and artwork.

Harvard Square Center	Martial Arts Program	Mt. Pleasant	<b>The Harvard Square Center</b> , located in Mt. Pleasant, was awarded \$4700 to provide the community with self-defense classes in Kung Fu. The grants go towards Supplies and equipment needed to provide correct Kung-Fu Class.
Healthy Minds Healthy Communities***	SUP for Mental Health	Clark Fulton	<b>Healthy Minds Healthy Communities</b> , located in Clark Fulton, was awarded \$4700 to promote mental & physical health and well-being through stand-up paddle boarding in connection with nature, psychoeducation, mindfulness, movement, and body awareness activities and through building social support.
Help In Time Of Need	Community Outreach Help In Time Of Need	South Collinwood	<b>Help In Time Of Need (HITON)</b> , located in South Collinwood, was awarded \$2350 to help assist with the items needed To show love and offer hope with support to individuals and families. It is important to The H.I.T.O.N. Foundation to be of as much needed help as possible having been raised in a poverty-stricken community and want to make the most and best possible difference to others and let them know there are people who really care for them.
Henry Johnson Center	Historically Rooted in Royalty	North Collinwood	<b>Henry Johnson Center</b> , located in North Collinwood, was awarded \$4700 to implement bringing Africa to America by creating life sized displays of many of the important places in Africa such as the Door of No Return. and allow community members to explore these displays at the location.
Hessler Homeowners Association*	Folk on Hessler	University Circle	<b>Hessler Homeowners Association</b> , located in University Circle, was awarded \$3760 to grow to have an additional concert this year as well as continuing the concert started last year. They will also want to be more active and intentional in community outreach, sharing information more broadly to invite more community members, and adding features like a potluck meal to create more sharing and relationship-building.



International Village Block Club**	International Village 2023 Events and Initiatives	Stockyards	<b>International Village Block Club</b> , located in The Stockyards, was awarded \$4700 to expand their events to connect with a broader part of our community. The plan will be to have a series of outside-of-meeting opportunities to reconnect with all members of the community and give them different opportunities to engage.
Jardin 4 Life***	Cleveland Fresh Farmers Market	Clark Fulton	<b>Jardin 4 Life</b> , located in Clark-Fulton, was awarded \$4693 to create a farmers' market at the Roberto Clemente park in the Clark/ Fulton community that will take place on Saturdays from May 6 to October 28th
JBW Crew*	Just Beyond Words	Downtown	<b>Just Beyond Words Crew</b> , located in Downtown Cleveland, was awarded \$4700 to express through the work of personal artists testimonials, will tell a story through their talent and art of how they have transcended to where they are today.
Jones Home Neighborhood Association**	JONES HOME NEIGHBORHOOD 2023 EVENTS AND OUTREACH	Clark Fulton	<b>Jones Home Neighborhood</b> , located in Clark Fulton, was awarded \$4700, to continue to have four major community events this year built around engagement, intergenerational activities, honoring and celebrating culture and diversity. They will also have at least two beautification projects that entail clean ups, landscaping and mural installations.
Kentucky Garden Music Series*	Music in the Garden	Ohio City	<b>Kentucky Garden Music Series</b> , located in Ohio City, was awarded \$3638 to continue the very successful and joyful, free, outdoor afternoon music concert series. They will host six concerts (one concert per month) from May to October
Kids can BEE too	Kids can BEE too & Community Engagement	Clark Fulton	<b>Kids Can BEE Too</b> , located in Clark-Fulton, was awarded \$3760 to reactivate a community garden on Meyers in the Clark/ Fulton Community. The plan is to rebuild the garden beds and fill with soil to start for the new planting season.

Kings & Queens of Art*	Placing Unity Back Into The Community: Police Art Fest	Central-Kinsman	<b>Kings and Queens of Art</b> , located in Central-Kinsman, was awarded \$3079 to build strong relationships of mutual trust between police agencies and the communities they serve which is critical to maintaining public safety and effective policing.
Ladies of Grace	Journey to Empowerment	Lee Harvard	<b>Ladies of Grace</b> , located in Lee-Harvard, was awarded \$2820 to encourage young women to be the best that they can be by making good decisions in life while considering the consequences of their actions. They will provide an opportunity for the participants to receive a positive focus that can be applied to their lives.
Larchmere PorchFest	Larchmere PorchFest	Shaker Square	<b>Larchmere PorchFest</b> , located in Shaker Square-Larchmere, was awarded \$4230 to bring 30 bands to 30 porches for a free neighborhood music festival in the Larchmere neighborhood.
Lil Bit Of Love	Lil Bit of Love	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Lil Bit of Love</b> was awarded \$2350 to purchase hygiene items, clothing items, and food items to pack and distribute to community members in need, focusing on the unsheltered community or anyone that is in need of articles of clothing, hygiene and a warm meal.
Lincoln West Global Garden	Global Garden Expansion	Clark Fulton	<b>Lincoln-West Global Garden</b> , located in Clark Fulton, was awarded \$4700 to continue building their garden for students to find a safe space in their community to gather, and grow food for their families.
Literary Cleveland***	One Mic Open	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Literary Cleveland</b> was awarded \$1880 to provide free, two-hour open mic experiences, four times throughout the 2023-24 program year. These events will continue to be hosted at the LGBT Community Center in Cleveland, providing an intergenerational platform within the Gordon Square's Art District.
Little Africa Food Collaborative*	Taste of Art	Mt. Pleasant	<b>Little Africa</b> , located in Mt. Pleasant, was awarded \$3290 to offer a unique, interactive experience that encourages people to take part in a healthy lifestyle. Chefs and artists can share their culinary and artistic talents, while also providing an opportunity for the public to learn about the benefits of healthy eating and living.

Loretta's Helping Hands	Family Fun Day	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>Loretta's Helping Hands</b> , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$2820 to continue to provide valuable resources and awareness to their neighborhood.
Love Train Ministries	Ladies and Gentlemen on the Rise	East Cleveland	<b>Love Train Ministries</b> , located in East Cleveland, was awarded \$4230 to provide exposure to groups of Cleveland inner-city teens as well as East Cleveland teens between the ages of 11-18 to various programming that will enhance their developmental and emotional growth. This will be done by implementing educational and fun activities that are important to the teens such as listening to music and analyzing the lyrics of various songs, social media usage, and the impact that it has on their emotional health, psychological health, and mental well-being.
Lower End of Fleet Block Club	Project Living Green Things	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>Lower End of Fleet Block Club</b> , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$2755 to beautify their end of Fleet Avenue through clean ups, flower plantings, and more.
McCall Consulting & Associates Inc	Ten Years of Healing	Glenville	<b>McCall Consulting &amp; Associates</b> , located in Glenville, was awarded \$4700 to assist in nourishing individuals' mind, body and spirit with engaging dialogue, stimulating activities and healthy menu options.
Mustard Seed Works*	Bee Ed-YOU-cated	Central-Kinsman	<b>Mustard Seed Works</b> , located in Central-Kinsman, was awarded \$4230 to create a community bee-keeping education program.

My Sister's Keeper - Cleveland	A Walk in Her Shoes 2023 - Glenvillage	Glennville	<b>My Sisters Keeper</b> , located in Glennville, was awarded \$3290 to host an annual cancer awareness walk.
Near West Family Network	Play Streets	Ohio City	<b>Near West Family Network</b> , located in Ohio City, was awarded \$2000 to host two on-street block parties with Recess Cleveland, who will supply the play equipment and DJ.
New Era Cleveland***	Community Brunch-Bridging the Gap	Buckeye-Shaker	<b>New Era Cleveland</b> , located in Buckeye-Shaker, was awarded \$4000 to host a community brunch focused on a different divide that challenges our communities to cross generations. This will be held the 4th Saturday of each month.
New Freedom Community Arts Center*	Arts Reaching Kids	Mt. Pleasant	<b>New Freedom Community Arts Center</b> , located in Mt. Pleasant, was awarded \$3290 to host classes that will include Bucket drumming, beginning, and Jr. drumlines, Dance, Hair braiding, and Jewelry making.
New Growth Learning Garden	New Growth Learning Gardens	Mt. Pleasant	<b>New Growth Learning Garden</b> , located in Mt. Pleasant, was awarded \$4230 to incorporate end of season canning/jarring options with harvests; as well as hands on teaching throughout the season of planting.
North Ohio Life Members Guild of the National Council of Negro Women**	NCNW hungry for education tour	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>North Ohio Life Members Guild of the National Council of Negro Women</b> was awarded \$4700 to provide opportunities to youth to expand their horizons by introducing them to the world of HBCU's. This year they will continue to provide the youth with comfortable transportation, hot breakfast and dinner, school supplies, self-care packets, PPE supplies, journals, and snacks to enjoy on the ride.
Operation Helping Hands	Operation Helping Hands	South Collinwood	<b>Operation Helping Hands</b> , located in South Collinwood, was awarded \$3760 to provide a program for the communities with a back-to-school weekend for grades 1 through 4. The goal is to give them the opportunity and the resources to help support them in their education.

Operation Just Keep Giving	OJKG Bi-Monthly Fellowship and Gift	Union Miles	<b>Operation Just Keep Giving</b> , located in Union-Miles, was awarded \$3760 to invite the community to have a meal and enjoy a program matching the theme for the month. Some topics will include maintaining a healthy household, home safety, financial literacy, and other resource opportunities.
Pakistani Cultural Garden	Pakistani Cultural Garden Design Request 2	University Circle	<b>Pakistani Cultural Garden</b> , located in University Circle, was awarded \$4700 to help cover the cost of creating Plaques to explain some of the architectural features of the garden to guests that visit our garden.
Peace In The Hood*	Peace Camp 2023	Shaker Square	<b>Peace in The Hood</b> , located in Shaker Square, was awarded \$4700 to host their 26th Annual Peace Camp (June 20th – July 27th). During summer camp they will address the issues plaguing our community (violence, crime, low literacy rate and job creation)
Polish Legion of American Veterans Lincoln Post #13*	The Back Door Concert Series	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>The Polish Legion of American Veterans</b> is hosting <i>The Back Door Concerts</i> , a grassroots concert series to host local bands for neighborhood residents of all ages. The "Back Door" is a direct entrance to our venue with the stage. This group, located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$4700.
Positive Plus***	Wounded Healer's "Victim's No More-Our Road To Healing and Restoration	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Positive Plus</b> was awarded \$5000 to host Victim's Rights Week. The goal of the project is to provide hope and inspiration to families who have been victimized by violence.
Project LIFT Behavioral Health Services	Life Skills Summit	Midtown	<b>Project Lift</b> received \$3290 to host The Life Skills Summit. This Summit is an opportunity to help young Black males connect to resources in a safe and fun environment, eliminating the stigma preventing them from accessing information that may save their lives.
Providing Hands*	Broadway Slavic Village Rising	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>Providing Hands</b> received \$4230 for their project which encourages Slavic Village residents to create visual stories - oral history, photography, and children's art - to capture themselves and their neighborhood through a strength-based lens. The project will be promoted around the community and in various community news outlets and publications.

Radical Hospitality**	Radical Hospitality	Ohio City	<b>Radical Hospitality</b> received \$2,350 to expand their monthly dinners held in Ohio City which seek to bring community members of all background together and to bridge the felt gaps in their neighborhoods.
ReadUp	Read, Baby, Read	Glenville	<b>ReadUp</b> received \$4,700 to purchase books for their traveling book club in parks across the Glenville area. Their goal is to provide students with the opportunity to maintain academic reading skills over the summer and to take home the books with them after the book club is over.
Resident Leaders	Family Ties	Hough	<b>Resident Leaders</b> received \$2,311 for their Family Ties initiative which seeks to provide families with back-to-school supplies in the Hough community.
Riff Mechanics***	The Splice Cream truck	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Riff Mechanics</b> received \$4,700 for their Splice Cream Truck initiative which will serve free ice cream to multiple neighborhoods around the city of Cleveland while capturing residents' stories in the truck's recording studio.
Rivers in the Desert***	THE HEALING ROOM EXPERIENCE	Union Miles	<b>Rivers in the Desert</b> received \$2,820 for their Healing Room Experience initiative, a 2-day workshop and wellness clinic, run by a diverse team of mental health professionals seeking to offer holistic healing to residents' suffering from the trauma of losing a loved one due to gun violence or other tragic incidents.
Riverside Park Community Outreach Committee*	"Healthy Lifestyles Matter"	Kamm's Corner	<b>Riverside Park Community Outreach Committee</b> received \$4465 for their "Healthy Lifestyles Matter" project, a summer camp in Kamm's Corner dedicated to teaching children between the ages of 1st & 6th grade the importance of healthy social, physical, nutritional, and environmental practices.
S.O.S. Initiatives**	Smart Food Answers Helping Mitigate Waste & Hunger in Cleveland	Lee Harvard	<b>S.O.S. Initiatives</b> received \$4,500 for their Smart Food Answers Helping Mitigate Waste & Hunger in Cleveland project. This is a health equity initiative focused on reducing food waste from restaurants and bringing quality food to food/mobility restricted households and individuals.
Saint Martin de Porres Lionettes	Dance Uniforms	St. Clair Superior	<b>The Saint Martin de Porres Lionettes</b> received \$4,164 to fund new uniforms for their dance team to aid families and students who cannot afford to purchase their own uniforms.

San Diego Community Garden	Let's Fix Our Beds	West Park	<b>San Diego Community Garden</b> received \$2,820 for their project, "Let's Fix Our Beds," which seeks to repair and revitalize 8 of the beds in the community garden located in West Park.
Second Mt. Olive Reopen	SMO Spring into Action; Get Outside	Glenville	<b>Second Mt. Olive Reopen</b> received \$4,700 for their initiative, SMO Spring into Action; Get Outside. This project seeks to coordinate outdoor experiences for children in the Glenville area in order to tackle some of the persisting feelings of depression and isolation being experienced as a result of COVID-19.
Shalom and Tranquility Community Garden	Enhance 23	Brooklyn Centre	<b>Shalom &amp; Tranquility Community Garden</b> received \$4,700 for their Enhance 23 project which seeks to engage more residents, particularly the youth, in their community garden programming in order to strengthen the skills and relationships in the residents of the Brooklyn Centre neighborhood.
Share Homes	Share Homes Life Skills Week	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Share Homes</b> received \$1,410 for their project Share Homes Life Skills Week which seeks to help youth develop a plethora of life skills, leading to a higher quality of life and greater opportunities.
Speak Into The Light	Don't Be Rude Program	Shaker Square	<b>Speak Into the Light</b> received \$3,290 for their project, the Don't Be Rude Program. This program serves children 7-12 years old by offering cognitive reshaping to encourage positive behaviors and etiquette in children from the Shaker Square area.
Asiatown Square Dancing	Square Dancing 广场舞	Asiatown	<b>Asiatown Square Dancing</b> received \$4,700 for the Asiatown Square Dancing fitness team that seeks to bring both health and wellness and cultural elements to the Asiatown neighborhood through the practice of square dancing.
St. Luke's Episcopal Church	St. Luke's Cafe & Resource Center	Cudell/Edgewater	<b>St. Luke's Episcopal Church</b> received \$2,485 for their initiative St. Luke's Cafe & Resource Center which provides a warm and welcoming environment for all community members in the Cudell/Edgewater neighborhood to also access computers, printers, and Internet and other important resources they may not otherwise have access to.

Super Garden Kidz	End OF School Celebration	Brooklyn Centre	<b>Super Garden Kidz</b> received \$3,290 for their End of School Celebration which will host a party near the garden in order to celebrate the achievements of their neighborhood children and engage more residents, young and elderly alike, with the community garden.
Taking Back Our Youth (TBOY)	Protecting our Youth Mental Health	Stockyards	<b>Taking Back our Youth</b> received \$4,700 for their initiative called, "Protecting Our Youth Mental Health," which aims to hold 3 forums with mental health professionals and Ohio Rise to educate and assist parents navigating their children's mental health needs.
TBP Organization	Community Literacy Festival 2024	Union Miles	<b>TBP Organization</b> received \$4,500 for their Community Literacy Festival 2024 held in the Union Miles neighborhood which seeks to show the community that literacy can be fun and engaging, as well as educate the community on how to increase the awareness of literacy for the whole family.
THA League Managements*	Bank One Billiards TV Show	East Cleveland	<b>THA League Managements</b> received \$3,000 for their project which seeks to expand the local filmmaking industry in Northeast Ohio, specifically East Cleveland, through their celebrity gameshow, "Bank One Billiards."
THE CHINESE CONSOLIDATED BENEVOLENT SOCIETY	Immigrant Interview Graphic Biography	Asiatown	<b>The Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Society</b> received \$3,290 for their project, Immigrant Interview Graphic Biography which aims to capture and honor the stories of 50 local immigrants.
The Forever and a Day Foundation	Memory Walk	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>The Forever and a Day Foundation</b> received \$3,760 for their Memory Walk initiative which aims to help parents who have lost a child during the pandemic receive the support and resources they need.
The Meeting Place	OST Program	Buckeye-Shaker	<b>The Meeting Place</b> received \$4,230 for their OST Program, an after-school program which looks to support the academic, social, and emotional needs of the students in the Buckeye neighborhood.



The NAVVAN Group	Women's Self Care Essentials	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>The NAVVAN Group</b> received \$4,230 for their initiative which collaborates with partners to identify at risk families to provide more convenient and easily accessible feminine hygiene products and women's essential self-care products to at risk families in the Buckeye community.
Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival	Focus on the Artists: A Celebration of Arab American & Middle Eastern Artists in Cleveland	Tremont	<b>The Tremont Arts &amp; Culture Festival</b> received \$1,880 to help with their event, "Focus on the Artists: A Celebration of Arab American & Middle Eastern Artists in Cleveland."
Turn It Up Youth Success Club	Turn It Up Youth Organization	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Turn It Up Youth Success</b> was awarded \$2350 to implement a mentoring and coaching class for 13 to 18-year-olds in the city of Cleveland to help them gain confidence and make connections so they can have a better chance of success in life.
Village Family Farms*	Village Family Farms (VFF): Next Generation of Growers Project	Hough	<b>Village Family Farms</b> was awarded \$2820 to provide a STEM farming learning experience to 250 children and youth in the Hough community. The project is designed to teach residents how to cultivate their own food while decreasing the number of existing food deserts.
Village People	Village People Community Hayride	Stockyards	<b>Village People</b> received \$2524 for a beautification/hayride event for the Stockyard neighborhood. The purpose of the project is to trim tree branches and bushes along the alleyways. A hayride will follow to connect youth in the neighborhood and provide the community with a way to view the alleys as an asset of beauty.
W73rd Community Coalition	W 73rd Self Care Community Fair	Stockyards	<b>West 73rd Community Coalition</b> in the Stockyard community received \$1974 to provide residents with substance abuse, human trafficking, and mental health resources and information. Hot meals and basic essentials will also be offered.
Waterloo Makes Music and A Meal	Waterloo Makes Music and A Meal	North Collinwood	<b>Waterloo Makes Music and A Meal</b> located in the North Collinwood area received \$4700 to provide a music concert event with local merchants that will include a free hot meal to a projected number of 100+ residents and guests. The aim is to increase audience participation and an ongoing cultural music celebration event.

West Park Green Team***	West Park Pollinator Pathways	West Park	<b>West Park Green Team</b> in the West Park neighborhood was awarded \$1786 to create pollinator gardens throughout West Park. An overview and training will be provided to educate why pollinator pathways are important and how to establish and maintain a healthy pollinator garden.
West Park Historical*	West Park Historical Walking Tours Publication	West Park	<b>West Park Historical</b> in the West Park neighborhood received \$2820 to provide 3 self-guided tours throughout West Park to increase community knowledge of the area. The tour will cover the areas of Kamm's through West 150th and West 130th to West 117th Streets. The tour provides an outdoor picture display along the way.
West Park United Church of Christ	Community Cupboard @ West Park UCC	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>The West Park United Church of Christ</b> received \$4230 to expand the food pantry which will include non-perishable and frozen food items. The group will also offer non-food items such as household products, pet food and feminine hygiene products.
Woodland Cemetery Foundation	Roots of Heritage: Memorial Garden for John P. Green, Father of Labor Day	Central-Kinsman	<b>Woodland Cemetery Foundation</b> was awarded \$4700 for the Central-Kinsman area to expand their memorial garden to include 3 flowering trees and 2 flowering bushes in honor of John P. Green. The garden will provide beauty as well as a sanctuary for birds during the year.
YENOM FOUNDATION	S.E.E.D.S Serving. Environmental. Economic. Delinquency. Sustainability	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>The Yenom Foundation</b> received \$3290 for the Buckeye-Woodhill, Central-Kinsman, and Lee Harvard area to implement free workshop programs where residents will be educated on the basics of gardening and food preservation. The purpose of the project is to bridge the generational gap between youth and the elderly.
Young Imaginations	Each One Teach One Youth Entrepreneur Trade Course.	East Cleveland	<b>Young Imaginations</b> received \$3027 to host an event teaching entrepreneurship to the youth. This will provide them with a jump start on exploring different career paths geared toward success. A volunteer team of barbers, mechanics, graphic designers, carpenters, and a plethora of other business professionals will be on hand to assist.
Youth Voices for Justice***	The Conversation: The Impact of Police Violence on the Black Community - For Our Future	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Youth Voices for Justice</b> was awarded \$4230 in the Downtown neighborhood to host an event designed to address police policies and practices related to the use of force, and the mental and physical health issues of Black men, women, and youth. The focus is to build healthy relationships between law enforcement officers and the communities that they serve.