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Neighborhood Connections Announces \$382,114 in Funding for 121 Projects in Cleveland and East Cleveland Neighborhoods

CLEVELAND (July 11, 2024) – Neighborhood Connections has approved \$382,114 in grants to support 121 projects in Cleveland and East Cleveland. Cuyahoga Arts & Culture (CAC), the local public funder for arts and culture, will co-fund 27 of these resident-led arts and culture projects through a partnership with Neighborhood Connections.

Highlights of the grants include:

- **Latin American Historical Society of Cleveland** was awarded \$3,290 to capture stories of the Latino experience in Cleveland. Largely excluded from the Civil Rights narrative, the group seeks to document oral history of elders within the community for archival at the Cleveland Public Library.
- **United in Code** was awarded \$4,700 to a project dubbed: *SEE I The Soul Cinematic Universe*. A four-week mixed-media film arts camp for participants primarily from the Central community and other Cleveland areas (ages 13-17), will introduce them to new technologies to create content. The program's production of short films will be produced around the subjects of Mediation, Violence Prevention and Restorative Justice.
- **Hattie's Helpers** received \$4,230 to host youth field trips that are focused on nature. Visits include stops at Rid All, Urban Farms, Community Hoop Houses, and more. There will also be a social-emotional learning component to these trips, providing youth training and education in this area.

"These neighborhood groups and their efforts demonstrate what's possible when people work together," says Neighborhood Connections Director Tom O'Brien. "These initiatives are about everyday people in the community choosing to value possibility and relationships over self-interest and separation. These groups and initiatives all started with a conversation about what people can create together. We celebrate these leaders and their teams. We are honored to support their work."

Cuyahoga Arts & Culture granted \$60,500 to Neighborhood Connections in 2024 to support community-based arts and culture activities organized by and for Cuyahoga County residents. CAC defines arts and culture broadly to include nature, science, cultural heritage, and history in addition to other art forms. Through this partnership with Neighborhood Connections, CAC has co-funded more than 475 resident-led arts and culture projects in Cleveland and East Cleveland since 2013.

“Neighborhood Connections’ grantmaking continues to underscore the importance of community, and the power of art and culture projects to drive change” said Jill M. Paulsen, executive director of Cuyahoga Arts & Culture. “CAC is proud to invest public dollars to support Cuyahoga County residents in their creative endeavors.”

Neighborhood Connections also distributed three Spark Grants, easy-to-access grants of up to \$1,000 to pilot a public initiative or event that emerges from Arts & Culture Network Night or a monthly Creative Meetup. In the first round of Spark Grants, House of Chazzly, Cleveland Sews, and Artistic Fusion Collective each received \$1,000. A total of \$20,000 is available in 2024.

Since 2003, Neighborhood Connections has invested more than \$15 million in resident-led projects in Cleveland and East Cleveland.

Neighbor Up grants are offered several times each year to groups of residents in Cleveland and East Cleveland and, for projects related to the pandemic, to residents in Cuyahoga, Lake, and Geauga counties, to do projects that improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods. Groups are encouraged to work with partners and to propose creative solutions to challenges in their community. The next opportunity to apply is currently open, with a deadline of August 12, 2024.

About Neighborhood Connections

Neighborhood Connections is a nationally recognized community-building program established in 2003. Its mission is to fuel the power of neighbors to create, together, an extraordinary world right where they live. Our small grants program is one of the largest in the country. For more information, visit NeighborUpCLE.org.

About Cuyahoga Arts & Culture

Cuyahoga Arts & Culture (CAC) is the region’s largest funder for arts and culture, helping hundreds of organizations in Cuyahoga County connect millions of people to cultural experiences each year. Since 2006, CAC has invested \$247 million in 485 organizations, making our community a more vibrant place to live, work and play. CAC is a separate government entity and a political subdivision of the State of Ohio. For more information, visit cacgrants.org.

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Projects Funded in Spring 2024

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Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, the local public funder for arts and culture, will co-fund 27 resident-led arts and culture projects (noted with “**”) through a partnership with Neighborhood Connections. Additional projects are co-funded by The Cleveland Foundation, The Char and Chuck Fowler Family Foundation, and The McGregor Foundation. Learn more at www.NeighborUpCLE.org.

Group or Organization Name	Project Name	Neighborhood	Summary
17 Grands in All	Community Father's Day Event	Fairfax	17 Grands in All was awarded \$4,465 for their annual <i>Community Fathers Day Event</i> that has been happening in the Fairfax neighborhood for several years. This event not only honors father's but brings the community together on a yearly basis for a meal, fellowship and community outreach efforts.
99 Treasures	Unsung Heroes and Sheroes	Mt. Pleasant	99 Treasures was awarded \$2068 to host the Unsung Heroes and Sheroes that recognizes those in the community who have made significant, and often times overlooked, contributions to the Mt. Pleasant neighborhood.
A Life Of Hope Outreach	Hope for the Future	Bellaire Puritas	A Life of Hope Outreach received \$1880 to host three fun, family events featuring hot meals hygiene supplies in with the Bellaire Puritas community in 2024.

A Windsong Feminist Chorus	A Concert for Rage	University Circle	A Windsong Feminist Chorus is a 45 year old chorus comprised of individuals of all identities and performing all over the City of Cleveland. They were awarded \$2,850, to host <i>A Concert for Rage</i> , highlighting the systematic injustices of racism. After the concert, there will be an author talkback with Myisha Cherry about her book <i>A Case for Rage</i> .
Africa House International	Art & Gardening with Kids	Hough	Africa House International is working to restore the Linwood Community Garden and Gourd Farm in the Hough neighborhood, working with children from the Wade Park Elementary School to learn more about urban farming and gardening. Africa House International received \$3290.
All Phase Foundation	Community Education & Engagement Sessions	Mt. Pleasant	The All Phase Foundation was awarded \$2350 to host community education & engagement sessions about gas to electric stove conversion and the available resources for appliance upgrades in the Mt. Pleasant neighborhood.
Baseball Heritage Museum	Umpire Training Institute: Making the Right Calls on and Off the Field	Hough	The Baseball Heritage Museum received \$4230 to host the <i>Umpire Training Institute</i> for anyone interested in becoming an umpire. The training will take place at League Park in the Hough neighborhood.
Bike Cleveland*	Payne & E. 55th Street Mural & Traffic Calming	St. Clair Superior	Bike Cleveland was awarded \$3,290 for a traffic calming and mural project at the intersection of E. 55th Street and Payne Avenue in the St. Clair Superior neighborhood.
Cardinal CLE	Summer in the City	Downtown	Cardinal CLE offers opportunities to individuals within the Black transgender, non-binary, and other gender expansive communities to discuss different aspects of their journeys, share resources, celebrate each other's successes, and provide support to one another when faced with challenges. They were awarded \$2350.
Chifirempire	Chifire Soccer Camp	Lee Harvard	Chifirempire was awarded \$4,700 for <i>Chifire Soccer Camp</i> , a 2024 summer soccer camp in the Lee Harvard neighborhood. The camp will give local children the opportunity to learn from a professional soccer player and get outside during the summer.
Church of God Mountain Assembly of Cleveland Ohio (Aspinwal Church)	Mental Health & Wellness Clinical Cookout	South Collinwood	Church of God Mountain Assembly was awarded \$3525 to host their <i>Mental Health & Wellness Clinical Cookout</i> in the South Collinwood community.
Citizens to Bring Back North Broadway	Beautiful Spaces Project: Slavic Village for Safety	Broadway-Slavic Village	Citizens to Bring Back North Broadway , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$2,750.00 to transform vacant areas into usable shared spaces such as parks or playgrounds or community gardens.

Cleveland Co-op Circles	Cleveland Co-op Circles	Shaker Square	Cleveland Co-op Circles has been awarded \$2,350 to facilitate a series of conversations in 2024 with both Eastside and Westside residents to discuss co-op opportunities, building local ownership by establishing co-ops and creating a stronger local economy together owned and operated by the people in the community.
Cleveland Cultural Gardens Federation*	Community Night in the Gardens, featuring Glenville's Got Talent	Glenville	The Cleveland Cultural Gardens Federation has been awarded \$3,055 for their annual <i>Glenville's Got Talent Night</i> in the Cleveland Cultural Gardens. These event brings Glenville residents to the gardens every year to showcase their talents and create space for neighbors to get to know each other better and educate themselves on the wonderful natural resource that they have in their own backyard.
Collinwood Yardsale	Sell Away Collinwood 2024	North Collinwood	Collinwood Yardsale was awarded \$3760 to host the <i>Sell Away Collinwood 2024</i> community yard sale. The event promotes community connection as well as provides neighbors an opportunity to declutter and meet each other
Colors Community Resources, Inc.	2024 Home Health, Housing & Nonprofit Business Entrepreneurship Conferences	East Cleveland	Colors Community Resources in East Cleveland was awarded \$ 2124. The group is hosting <i>The 2024 Home Health, Housing & Nonprofit Business Entrepreneurship Conferences</i> , a series of 3 workshops providing entrepreneurial training to assist in improving Cleveland and East Cleveland residents who are currently or look to work or initiate businesses in the home health care, shared living/group home and nonprofit sectors.
Comics at the Corner*	Buckeye Residents 5th Annual Trunk or Treat...and other community events	Buckeye-Woodhill	Comics at the Corner is hosting the <i>5th Annual Buckeye Residents Trunk or Treat</i> . Awarded \$2820, this group provides candy and comic books to youth on Halloween in the Buckeye neighborhood.
Comite Mexicano de Cleveland*	Childrens Day Celebration	Clark Fulton	Comite Mexicano de Cleveland is hosting <i>Dia del Nino, the Day of the Child</i> , for children in the Clark Fulton neighborhood. The day will be filled with food, music, fun activities and gifts for children who have emigrated to the United States. Comite Mexicano was awarded \$4230.
Community Yahoo's	Walter Hyde Memorial Garden Of Life	Broadway-Slavic Village	The Community Yahoo's were awarded \$4230 to spruce up the <i>Walter Hyde Memorial Garden of Life</i> on Fleet Avenue. This gathering space, created by the Yahoo's, serves as a hub in the Broadway-Slavic Village neighborhood.
DCK Arts & Entertainment	Summer Youth Fest	Lee Harvard	DCK Arts & Entertainment was awarded \$4230 to host their annual <i>Summer Youth Fest</i> in the Lee-Harvard area. The focus of the event is a back to school giveaway

East 142nd Street Club	Bringing the community back after Covid	East Cleveland	The East 142nd Street Club was awarded \$2,350 to hold a block party in effort to bring the community back together after the COVID-19 pandemic. Prior to the pandemic, the group held annual events to bridge the generational divides within the neighborhood and build a strong street community within East Cleveland.
Esperanza Threads*	Pieces of Peace	Detroit Shoreway	Esperanza Threads was awarded 2350 to organize a project titled <i>Pieces of Piece</i> that allows sewing students and participants to express themselves authentically, encourage a growing community and give them an opportunity to put their new skills to use, be creative and help heal another member of their community. This group is located in Detroit-Shoreway.
Euclid Beach Park Now	19th Annual "Remembering the Sights and Sounds of Euclid Beach Park	North Collinwood	Euclid Beach Park NOW is hosting the <i>19th Annual Remembering the Sights and Sounds of Euclid Beach Park</i> . It is scheduled for Sunday September 29th from 1pm-5pm at Euclid Beach Park. It is Free and will share the history of the amusement park that was once on the premises in North Collinwood.
Extended Family*	Adventure Camp	Mt. Pleasant	Extended Family , located in Mt. Pleasant, was awarded \$3,290 to offer a overnight camp experience to 40 youth ages 7 to 12 in the Fall of 2024. Enrichment during the experience will include outdoor activities, arts and crafts, mindfulness, while exploring nature and cultural history.
First Street Coalition	East 131st Street Legacy/Memorial/Pocket Park	Mt. Pleasant	First Street Coalition was awarded \$3,760 to continue the development of a pocket park on E. 131st Street. The grant will support the installation of plaques celebrating prominent Clevelanders and Mt. Pleasant residents.
Forest City Garden and Orchard	Chickonomics Coop D'ville Fence	Glenville	The Forest City Garden and Orchard , located in the Glenville neighborhood, was awarded \$3,290 to expand their <i>Chickonomics</i> program through the installation of a fence to protect the chickens and urban farm. In addition to protecting the chickens, the installation of the fence creates a safe and sanitary community because the chickens will be contained.
Friends of Cudell Orchards	Recess Cleveland at Neal Terrace Annual Fall Event	Cudell/Edgewater	The Friends of Cudell Orchards is looking to partner with other organizations to engage families from Neal Terrace Apartments for a family-friendly, fun event to help change the energy of the space and give kids who have been exposed to violence an opportunity of fun and doing kid stuff to address the trauma inflicted on these innocent children. They were awarded \$1269.
Friends of Impett Park	Communication for Inclusion at Impett Park	West Park	Friends of Impett Park was awarded \$2820 to provide signage that promotes enhanced communication, accessibility, diversity, and inclusion for Impett Park in the West Park neighborhood.
Friends of Kirtland Park	Kirtland Connects	St. Clair Superior	In St. Clair Superior, the Friends of Kirtland Park was awarded \$4230 to bring three four hour events to Kirtland Park under the name <i>Kirtland Connects: Summer Series</i> on the last Saturday of each month this summer.

G.O.A.L.S UNLTD, INC.	Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Cleveland	Buckeye-Woodhill	GOALS Unlimited is organizing a skills-based training that teaches individuals to identify, understand and respond to mental health and substance use challenges primarily in the Buckeye neighborhood. They were awarded \$2820.
Galilean Theological Center*	Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration	Cudell/Edgewater	In the Cudell neighborhood, The Galilean Theological Center was awarded \$3384 to host a <i>Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration</i> for their community. This community block party will feature live music, food, games, and more, with the goal of connecting neighbors.
Gardening in the District	Annual School supply and Bookbag Giveaway	Glenville	Gardening in the District was awarded \$2,820 for its 8th annual school supply and backpack giveaway in Glenville. The event features arts & crafts, free haircuts, and other family activities.
Genesis Community Connection*	Friday Night Movie Night	Mt. Pleasant	Genesis Community Connections will host a <i>Friday Night Movie Night</i> throughout the summer in the New Sardis Church parking lot. The goal of the evenings is to provide a safe, fun place for neighbors to build connections and trust with one another while having some fun. They were awarded \$2585.
Gideon's Army	Gideon's Army Academic & Leadership Development Program	Central	Gideon's Army , located in the Central neighborhood, was awarded \$3,290 to provide a summer immersion program for self development and self empowerment. Focused on education, the summer immersion program aids young men in the Central community in learning about further educational opportunities and exposing them to new activities and parts of the City. The group has been successful with this model in the past and currently has 10s of students who have signed up for summer 2024.
Global Girls With Attitude (G.W.A)*	Girls Go Global	East Cleveland	Global Girls With Attitude (G.W.A.) was awarded \$3,290 to run a summer camp for young girls in the East Cleveland community. Currently leading the Police Athletic League, G.W.A. is looking to further expand youth programming focused on visual arts and mentorship.
H.O.P.E. Bereavement Fund Inc	24th Annual Appreciation Day	Mt. Pleasant	HOPE Bereavement Fund's 24th Annual Appreciation Day Celebration received \$2820 to host this event, which will include hot meals, games, and scholarships for students in the Mt. Pleasant neighborhood.
Hattie's Helpers*	Measure F.A.R (FieldTrips And Results) - All Hands On Deck Program!	Mt. Pleasant	In Mt. Pleasant, Hattie's Helpers received \$4230 to host youth field trips that are focused on nature. Visits include stops at Rid All, Urban Farms, Community Hoop Houses, and more. There will also be a social-emotional learning component to these trips, providing youth training and education in this area.
Healthy Minds Healthy Communities	Stand Up Paddleboard for Mental Health	Clark Fulton	Healthy Minds Healthy Communities was awarded \$3290 to invite youth from Clark Fulton to have access to a physically and psychologically safe space through meet-ups at Edgewater Beach in connection to Stand-up paddleboarding, yoga, and other nature based activities.

Henry Johnson Center	Historically Rooted in Royalty	North Collinwood	The Henry Johnson Center , located in the North Collinwood neighborhood, was awarded \$2,850 to bring the event <i>Historically Rooted in Royalty</i> back to the community. This event examines the deep and rich history of African ancestry, highlighting cultural arts, food, traditions and more.
High Art Fridays*	The Sustainable Art of Plastics	Hough	In partnership with the Invigorate Gallery, High Art Fridays will install public art made out of diverted plastic from the Cleveland Clinic on the exterior of the two-story building. This temporary art installation will bring awareness about climate change, environmental justice, and the permanence of plastic to the Hough community. They were awarded \$2820.
Inmate To Inspiration	Morethanafelon	Hough	Inmate to Inspiration was awarded \$2,820 to conduct their <i>More Than a Felon</i> program, supporting ex-felons throughout the cities of Cleveland and East Cleveland in exercising their right to vote. More Than a Felon can be found on social media channels with more than 30k followers and one Friday a month, Freedom Fridays, at the Dimond 8 Lounge hosting events focused on different topics to support the transition from the justice system.
INNER CITY TRADS	Wealth Builders workshop series:Cool Money: Empowering Youth with finance	East Cleveland	Inner City Trads was awarded \$2820 to host financial literacy and wealth building workshops for youth in the city of East Cleveland. Financial wellness, empowerment, and literacy programs will be offered to those between eight and 18.
iPLAY	Electronics Down Activities Up	East Cleveland	iPlay was awarded \$3,500 for their <i>Electronics Down, Activities Up</i> initiative in East Cleveland. During the summer of 2024 they will begin a series of healthy eating classes as well as classes such as aerobics and taekwondo to help kids be more active.
Jardin 4 Life Inc.	Cleveland Fresh Farmers Market	Clark Fulton	Jardin 4 Life , located in Clark Fulton, was awarded \$4700 to expand pieces of their <i>Farmers Market</i> .
Jarvis Gibson Foundation	Holiday Angels	Buckeye-Woodhill	The Jarvis Gibson Foundation was awarded \$3,290 for its fifth annual <i>Holiday Angels</i> program rewarding high-performing K-8 students from a several schools.
JUMP	Lift Me Up Tour	Broadway-Slavic Village	Jump's Lift Me Up Tour is a two-day project designed to work youth from ages 5-19 (though not limited to). It will be broken into 2 events to split the age groups and appropriately target their mission of the event. This event will take place in the Broadway Slavic Village neighborhood. They were awarded \$4700.
Karaoke and Conversation*	Karaoke & Conversations	Central	A monthly gathering of residents and stakeholders, Karaoke and Conversations brings together residents to talk about tough topics and then have fun singing the night away with karaoke. They were awarded \$4700 to continue this effort in the Central-Kinsman neighborhood.

Kentucky Garden Music Series*	Music in the Garden	Ohio City	Kentucky Gardens in Ohio City will host a monthly concert, <i>Music in the Garden</i> , with live music and opportunities for neighbors to get to know one another. This group received \$4053.
King Kennedy Digital Inclusion Program	Digital Inclusion Program at King Kennedy	Central	The Digital Inclusion Program at King Kennedy will be awarded \$3,290 to help support a computer lab with 5 to 10 computers. These computers will help serve the senior citizen community at King Kennedy and create a bridge for both seniors and youth to learn together and help erase the digital literacy gap among the senior population.
Kings And Queens	Kings and Queens Cultural Village Drum Circle	Kinsman	Kings and Queens was awarded \$3,290 for intergenerational djembe drumming classes from May to August of 2024. The classes, which will take place in the Kinsman neighborhood, will also include cultural education from the instructors.
La Villa	La Villa	Clark Fulton	La Villa , in Clark Fulton, will be the newest member of the <i>Neighborhood and Community Media Association of Cleveland</i> , a network that collaborates to inform our communities about news and issues of concern in the Tremont area. They were awarded \$2068.
Ladies of Grace	Journey to Empowerment Part 2	Lee Harvard	Ladies of Grace was awarded \$1880 to host <i>A Journey to Empowerment</i> . A Journey to Empowerment will provide a series of workshops for young women with helpful information by notable speakers, and an opportunity for the participants to receive a positive focus that can be applied to their lives. The project will utilize a space where young women and teens can come together in a “safe” space and judgment-free environment where they can discuss their issues with the support and kind listening ears of encouraging adults.
Larchmere PorchFest	Larchmere PorchFest 2024	Shaker Square	The Larchmere Porchfest was awarded \$3290. Located in the Larchmere neighborhood adjacent to Buckeye and Shaker Square, the Larchmere PorchFest is a true community and neighborhood event that invites neighbors to come together and also serves as a platform for local artists.
Latchkey Kids of America	Job Readiness Pre-Employment Youth Workshop	North Collinwood	Latchkey Kids of America was awarded \$2,820 for a summer job readiness program for kids in North Collinwood.
Latin American Historical Society of Cleveland*	Honoring Our Latin American Roots in Cleveland	Clark Fulton	The Latin American Historical Society of Cleveland , located in Clark-Fulton, was awarded \$3,290 to capture stories of the Latino experience in Cleveland. Largely excluded from the Civil Rights narrative, the group seeks document oral history of elders within the community for archival at the Cleveland Public Library.
Lawnview Street Club	Lawnview Street Club	Hough	The Lawnview Street Club , located in the Hough neighborhood, was awarded \$2,350 to engage in a series neighboring activities across all generations. The Club will be doing a street clean up in mid-May 2024, a block party on June 29th, 2024 and a back to school activity in August 2024.

Lawnview Vegetable Garden	Growing Vegetables	Hough	The Lawnview Vegetable Garden leaders, in the Hough neighborhood, were awarded \$3290 to assist them in caring for the community vegetable garden by providing support for equipment, soil, and other needs.
Living Sacrifice Ministries*	Project Love	Hough	Living Sacrifice Ministries was awarded \$2256 to begin <i>Project Love</i> . The group will be visiting senior facilities in the Hough community to provide music concerts and connection for traditionally isolated members of the community.
Living Truth Center for Better Living	LTC GET OUTSIDE OUTREACH	East Cleveland	The Living Truth Center will have a Get Outside event in East Cleveland, that will include games, back pack giveaways, a live DJ, and vendors. They were awarded \$2820.
LOVE In Action Ohio	To bring community resources directly to low-income senior apartment complexes	East Cleveland	LOVE in Action Ohio , located in East Cleveland, was awarded \$3055 to host a series of resource fairs and activities in low-income apartment complexes. LOVE in Action brings their events directly to the lobbies, parking lots, and shared community spaces of low-income senior apartment complexes. During each event, seniors are given food while government, medical, and social service partners coordinate care to respond to needs including financial support, rental/utility assistance, mental health resources, and onsite health care.
Marshall Avenue Safety Group	Marshall Avenue Back To School Safety Fair	Kinsman	The Marshall Avenue Safety Group in the Kinsman neighborhood was awarded \$3,290 to put together a back to school safety fair that focuses on preparing the children to go back to school in the fall of 2024. They will distribute bookbags, hygiene products and create space for community connections through a fair-style event.
McCall's	Let's Heal Outside and BE	Glenville	McCall's was awarded \$4174 to host a series of outdoor gatherings to promote mental health and connectedness in the Glenville neighborhood
Mike Sobeck - Mural Artist*	Old Brooklyn Community Mural on Broadview Road	Old Brooklyn	The Arts Committee of Old Brooklyn was awarded \$1880 to support the creation of a community mural on Broadview Road. The community will vote on the mural that will be selected to be painted.
Mustard Seed Works*	Bee Connected	Central	Mustard Seed Works plans to host an urban beekeeping conference "Bee Connected", inviting students, agricultural educators, farmers, gardeners, and people interested in taking part in a 2-day immersive education experience. The project aims to keep the core network of beekeepers connected to the larger community of urban beekeepers in Cleveland OH. This group located in Central was awarded 2350.

My Sister's Keeper	A Walk in Her Shoes 2024 - Glenvillage	Glenville	My Sister's Keeper , in Glenville, was awarded \$3,290 to host their <i>7th Annual Walk</i> , returning to the Glenville community for the second year.
Myra Foundation	Giving back to the community	Broadway-Slavic Village	Myra Foundation , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$3,760 to donate things and make care packages for community members that are in need.
Nannys On The Move	Nutritional Awareness (Fighting future hungry)	Downtown	Nannys On The Move , located Downtown, was awarded \$2,820 to host four class sessions as an <i>Introduction to Cooking</i> .
Near West Family Network	Play Streets and Community Dance Party	Ohio City	Near West Family Network , in Ohio City, was awarded \$2,820 to host the on-street block party.
NexGen Preserve 63*	Cozy Space Movie Nights	Stockyards	NexGen Preserve 63 is bringing neighbors together in the Stockyard neighborhood for <i>Cozy Space Movie Nights</i> . Members are creating a space to host the movies and also to create a quiet outdoor space for reading, playing games, and to gather. They were awarded \$4230.
North Broadway Fellowship and Meals Group	North Broadway Fellowship and Meals	Broadway-Slavic Village	The North Broadway Fellowship and Meals Group was awarded \$3290 to invite neighbors to come together for meals and to have good conversation.
NuLife Charities	The Art of Fitness	North Collinwood	NuLife Charities was awarded \$2,820 for their program to help young people become certified fitness trainers. The program will be based out of the <i>NuLife Fitness Camp</i> in North Collinwood.
OHIO SELFIE WORLD FOUNDATION INC*	"We Are Ohio Selfie World" Summer Arts & Community Festival	Old Brooklyn	Ohio Selfie World Foundation , located in Old Brooklyn, was awarded \$3,290 to host a summer kick off festival centered around art to bring community together to get to know one another. Efforts will support local visual and music artists, local vendors, and local chefs and food companies.
Old Brooklyn Summer Art & Performance Team*	2024 Old Brooklyn Summer Art & Performance Series	Old Brooklyn	Old Brooklyn Summer Art & Performance Series will hold three free arts events in conjunction with the Old Brooklyn Farmers Market this summer. The group was awarded \$2,350 for a comedy show, a community drag show, and a mask-creating workshop followed by a gallery event in Old Brooklyn.

On Purpose Parenting	The Total Mom Experience	Buckeye-Woodhill	<i>The Total Mom Experience</i> is project that supports new parents. It integrates two foundational programs, On Purpose Parenting and Mothering Through , to offer a transformative journey for parents in the Buckeye-Woodhill community. This free innovative program spans five immersive sessions, each meticulously designed to serve a fresh cohort of parents, with an anticipated participation of approximately 20 parents per session. They were awarded \$2350.
Operation Just Keep Giving	OJKG Bi-Monthly Fellowship and Gift	Union Miles	Operation Just Keep Giving was awarded \$3643 to host monthly thematic events that promote healthy household, home safety, and financial literacy taking place in the Union-Miles neighborhood.
Palestinian American Heritage Society*	Cleveland Palestinian Film Series	Detroit Shoreway	The Palestinian American Heritage Society (PAHS) is planning a Cleveland Palestinian Film Series to which will highlight various films that are open, critical, and reflective of the culture, experience and vision of the Palestinian diaspora, Palestine, and the filmmakers to which are often Palestinian. The PAHS was awarded \$3290. These films will be hosted in or near the Detroit Shoreway neighborhood.
Power to the People	Taking Cover	East Cleveland	Power to the People , located in East Cleveland, was awarded \$2,000 to facilitate open discussions and share resources in their community.
R Place Drop-In Resource Center	Operation R Place	Broadway-Slavic Village	R-Place Drop-in Resource Center was awarded \$4230 to provide services in the North Broadway neighborhood. The plan is to continue to have open doors and a meeting place for those who want recovery meetings: AA and other; for neighbors who want a friendly gathering place with daily donuts and coffee; neighbors who want to have gatherings: wakes, neighborhood information sessions; for neighbors who want warm shelter in the winter; and for those who need services like domestic violence, drug and alcohol treatment center, & homeless referrals.
R.H.E.M.A. Y.E.S., Inc.	Fitchurch-People for Your Life	St. Clair Superior	R.H.E.M.A. Y.E.S., Inc. was awarded \$4,700 for a yearlong community fitness program, featuring group exercise classes, community sports & games, wellness workshops, and a year-end celebration in St. Clair Superior.
Reality Check Dance Team	Bridging the Gap Mother Daughter Summit	Downtown	Reality Check Dance Team located in Downtown Cleveland plans to host a summit dubbed <i>Bridging Mother Daughter Summit</i> . The summit overall goal is to reduce teen pregnancy, youth crime, and decrease anxiety and stress to cultivate a stronger mother daughter relationships and communication. This group was awarded \$4221.
Recess Cleveland	Open Streets: Recess	Detroit Shoreway	Recess Cleveland was awarded \$2,820 for a community block party in Detroit Shoreway. The group will close down a portion of Bridge Avenue during the summer of 2024 to create a safe space for community members to gather and provide games and other activities.

Red Lead Club*	Adult Multi-Disciplinary Creative Space	St. Clair Superior	Red Lead Club located in St. Clair Superior is hosting a multi-disciplinary meet-up events in galleries and artistic spaces throughout Cleveland and expand their reach to other galleries or exhibition spaces on the West side. This is to give the creative artists more opportunities to learn and grow in more spaces. Also, purchase easels, art supplies, and training materials and host more convenings and trainings for artists. This group was awarded \$2350
Removing The Stigma	A Day To Remember 2024 International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day	Buckeye-Woodhill	Removing the Stigma was awarded \$1974 to host their annual event, A Day to Remember 2024: International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day
Ricks Brothers Foundation	Community Food Giveaway	Buckeye	The Ricks Brothers Foundation was awarded \$3290 to support their efforts to provide food, clothing, and other support to families in need in the Buckeye-Shaker neighborhood.
Riff Mechanics*	Splice Cream Spliced Team Dream Concerts	Buckeye-Woodhill	Riff Mechanics' Splice Cream Spliced Team Dream Concerts will be a monthly pop-up concert series consisting of three 3-hour family-friendly concerts. These concerts will take place in the Buckeye Community, specifically in front of the Trumpet Man at Art & Soul Park. The aim of the concert series is to showcase the talent of diverse artists who not only come from the area but also represent the surrounding communities. They were awarded \$4700.
Riverside Park Community Outreach Committee	Unlock the Magic of Healthy Living	Kamms Corner	Riverside Park Community Outreach Committee was awarded \$4677 to continue their intergenerational summer gardening programming through their <i>Unlock the Magic of Healthy Living</i> program in Kamm's Corner
Roberto Clemente League	Project Grow and Organize	Clark Fulton	The Roberto Clemente League a baseball team located in Clark Fulton that serves a vital role in Cleveland by catering for the Latino community, was awarded \$ 2350 for their <i>Project Grow and Organize</i> . The group which undertakes family-friendly activities such as games and special events plan to purchase two shipment containers for equipment storage, and also to acquire a mobile pitching mounts to cater for various age groups in their league and visiting teams for tournaments.
Royal Sugarmamaz Sweetz Catering Company	Royal Sugarmamaz Sweetz	Bellaire Puritas	Royal Sugarmamaz was awarded \$2350 to teach healthy eating and cooking classes in the Bellaire Puritas neighborhood.
S.O.S. Initiatives	Smart Food Answers Helping Mitigate Waste & Hunger in Cleveland	Lee Harvard	S.O.S. Initiative , located in the Lee-Harvard neighborhood, was awarded \$3,290 to continue their great work of providing meals to ~250 people each week through partnerships with restaurants. Run by a group of neighborhood volunteers, this Lee-Harvard project seeks to aid those who lack transportation to access their food needs.

Slavic Village Active Living Committee	Slavic Village Bike Fix-a-thon	Broadway-Slavic Village	Slavic Village Active Living Committee was awarded \$2750 to support the <i>Bike Fix-A-Thon</i> . Community members' bikes will be repaired to help promote an active lifestyle in Slavic Village.
Someplace Special*	Empowerment projects and outreach	Broadway-Slavic Village	Someplace Special , located in Broadway-Slavic Village, was awarded \$2,820 to pick up women from shelters and set of workshops for tutoring and arts and crafts.
Speak Into The Light	Don't be Rude Program	Buckeye-Woodhill	Speak Into the Light was awarded \$3760 to teach children and youth etiquette and improve social behavior among youth in the community.
Sports Ed	Sports Education Program	North Collinwood	Sport Ed , located in North Collinwood, was awarded \$3,290 to run a sports afterschool program for boys focused on basketball and life skills. The program has been running for several years and has supported the growth of the young men in the neighborhood.
SPREADING BLESSING IN LIFE	Help who Help us	Glenville	Spreading Blessings in Life was awarded \$2820 for their Help Who Help Us program that centers the homeless and less fortunate population in the community. The award is for 2024 to cover the free food and haircuts they offer to the homeless population while also offering a place to connect and build community.
Strong Hands United	East Cleveland / Glenville "Joint Neighborhood Safety Program"	East Cleveland	Strong Hands United was awarded \$2,350 to host a community safety day at the park at Pattison Park/Forest Hills Park on the East Cleveland/Glenville border.
Survived To Live For Women In Recovery, Inc	Movie Nights at Lonnie Burten	Central	Survived To Live For Women In Recovery , located in Central, was awarded \$2,943.00 to offer free monthly communal movie nights at the Lonnie Burton Recreation Center for residents of the Kinsman/Central neighborhoods.
TALI MultiService	Project Seed to Feed	Glenville	<i>Project Seed to Feed</i> , organized by TALI , plans on promoting gardening in the Glenville Neighborhood. They received \$2820.
TBENTERPRIZ	Neighborhood give back	Glenville	TBENTERPRIZ 's third annual book bag giveaway will be held in August 2024. It will include filled book bags with school supplies in the Glenville neighborhood. They were awarded \$2350.

TBP Organization	Safety Summit 2024: Protecting our Children	Union Miles	TBP Organization , located in the Union Miles neighborhood, was awarded \$3,290 to hold the <i>Safety Summit 2024: Protecting Our Children</i> in the neighborhood. The event will include many local organizations, the police department, and provide a communal environment to address the issue of safety as a whole community.
Teaching Young Women in Society Truth*	Reaching at-risk females displaying violent behaviors in the city of Cleveland through The Arts	East Cleveland	Teaching Young Women in Society Truth was awarded \$3290 to provide young females in East Cleveland between the ages 12-21 weekly workshops in the arts in order to help empower them and provide them with a positive outlet. They will offer the young ladies piano and voice lessons, drawing and painting, photography, and studio time for them to make a song.
Team La family Off-Roaders	Team La Family Off-Roaders Back to School Support	Clark Fulton	Team La Family Off-Roaders will organize a <i>Welcome Back to School Event</i> to support the Clark Fulton neighborhood. With the help of their partners and friends, they aim to distribute school supplies to 500 children in the neighborhood. They received \$4230.
The Beautiful Cycle	Pad-Ademic	Kinsman	The Beautiful Cycle located in Kinsman plans to hold workshop classes that will consist of a four week-1 hour program held once a week to educate women and girls on self-esteem, hygiene, health, wellness and proper nutrition. The project named <i>Pad-Ademic</i> will provide natural sanitary products to women and girls, especially female students who face great challenges in terms of hygiene and sanitation due to their inability to afford sanitary pads. This group was awarded \$2350.
The Caring	Loving on our Community	Ohio City	The Caring (Loving on Our Community) located in Ohio City was awarded \$2,350 to give away hygiene products to the community who are struggling to purchase these products.
The Hummingbird Project	Climate Change Speaker Series	Clark Fulton	The Hummingbird Project was awarded \$3760 to the <i>Climate Change Speaker Series</i> . This series aims to train the region's next generation of seed savers and food system stewards. The series, hosted at Cleveland Roots in Clark-Fulton, consists of monthly educational events where local experts cover topics related to climate change — with a particular focus on food insecurity.
The Lipscomb Foundation	Beyond the Bell Tutoring	Lee Harvard	The Lipscomb Foundation was awarded \$4,230 for an afterschool tutoring program aimed at improving students reading. The program will take place in 2024 at Whitney M Young in Lee Harvard.
The NAVVAN Group	Women's Self Care Essentials: Phase 2	Kinsman	The NAVVAN Group was award \$4230 to provide essential care items to women experiencing "period poverty" in the Buckeye-Woodhill area.

The One Where We Remember Garden	Summer Fun at the Garden	Brooklyn Centre	In Brooklyn Centre, the One We Remember Garden received \$2350 for their <i>Summer Fun in the Garden</i> program. A neighborhood gathering space, neighbors will be invited to bring their creativity to the garden for events such as the Christmas in July birthday celebration as well as the year end art show.
The Scoop on Collinwood	Fresh Food at Euclid Beach	North Collinwood	The Scoop on Collinwood was awarded \$3,760 to host a weekly produce stand in North Collinwood during the summer of 2024. The program will bring fresh food to an area lacking a local grocery store.
The Tavern Coffee House	Strongest Community Series 2024	Buckeye-Woodhill	The Tavern Coffee House received \$1880 to host the <i>Strongest Community Series</i> in the Buckeye-Woodhill neighborhood. The Strongest Community Series will provide 12 community building activities to 250 residents from in the Greater Buckeye (i.e. Buckeye-Woodland Hills, Buckeye-Shaker, Mount Pleasant, Kinsman) Neighborhood by the end of the 2024 calendar year.
The Transparency Program	Cribs for Kids	South Collinwood	The Transparency Project was awarded \$2,820 to purchase convertible cribs for a crib giveaway to be held at the Cleveland Food Bank in South Collinwood.
Trials for Hope	Support for the Unsheltered Population	Downtown	Trials for Hope was awarded \$3,008 for its program delivering food, household items, and hygiene products to the unsheltered population living Downtown.
UnBAR Cafe	Community and Wealth Building	Buckeye-Woodhill	UnBAR Café , located in the Buckeye-Woodhill neighborhood, was awarded \$2,350 to support community and wealth building through the offering of a 3 series learning workshop centered around the book <i>Happy Pocket Full of Money</i> . Utilizing the café, UnBAR will provide space, drinks, and snacks for the series and advertise these events, to happen in 2024.
United In Code*	SEE The Soul Cinematic Universe	Central	United in Code located in the Central Neighborhood was awarded \$4700 to a project dubbed: <i>SEE The Soul Cinematic Universe</i> is a four-week mixed-media film arts camp to 20 participants primarily from the Central community and other Cleveland areas (ages 13-17) exposing them to new technologies which allow them to create content. The program's production short films will be produced around the subjects of Mediation, Violence Prevention and Restorative Justice.
Universal Love ENT	Increase the Peace Project 24	Mt. Pleasant	Universal Love ENT was awarded \$2820 to host the Increase the <i>Peace Project 2024</i> , a series of trainings for Mt. Pleasant residents to learn and practice conflict resolution and violence reduction skills to utilize in their neighborhood.
Urban Tech Edu	Church Softball League	Hough	Urban Tech Edu was awarded \$1,880 to organize and equip a community softball league that will play this summer at League Park in Hough.

Vista Del Sol Holdings	Miles Heights Community Outreach	Lee Harvard	Vista Del Sol Holdings will host a series of gatherings throughout 2024 to continue their work building community in the Miles Heights community in Lee Harvard. The group was awarded \$4,700 to for the <i>Father's Day Picnic, the Back To School Event, the Trunk or Treat Celebration, and the Holiday Toiletry Drive.</i>
W73rd Community Partners	W.73rd Community Appreciation Events	Stockyards	West 73rd Street Community Partners , a group of residents in the Stockyards neighborhood, will host a series of events on their street to bring neighbors together to build trust, have some fun, and to connect people to opportunities. They were awarded \$2350.
Wisdom Community	Speak The workshop	East Cleveland	Wisdom Community , located East Cleveland, in was awarded \$3,047 to host workshops focused around bridging the gap between teens and older adults.
Women of Destiny	Street Outreach Program	Midtown	Women of Destiny was awarded \$1,410 for its work providing personal protective equipment to unhoused people in Midtown.
Woodland Cemetery Foundation*	Engaging through Nature	Central	The Woodland Cemetery Foundation was awarded \$4700 for their <i>Engaging through Nature</i> project. The project will install new flower beds, native plants, and bee hives in the cemetery to be used for education and engagement in the Central neighborhood
Z Productions	zulus CHANGING HEARTS	Hough	Z Productions was awarded \$4230 for their <i>Zulu's Changing Hearts</i> initiative. Located in Hough, Z Productions will bring neighbors together to celebrate the end of the summer and to provide opportunities for support for residents with school age children in the neighborhood.