



## Projects Funded in Winter 2023

Neighborhood Connections has approved \$307,904 in grants to support 98 projects in Cuyahoga County.

Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, the local public funder for arts and culture, will co-fund 10 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](http://www.NeighborUpCLE.org).

Group or Organization Name	Project Name	Neighborhood	Summary
1000 Ties	1,000 Ties Back to School Hygiene Kit Distribution	Cudell/Edgewater	Partnering with Wilbur Wright Elementary School in Cleveland's Cudell neighborhood, <i>1000 Ties</i> will work with youth to provide support, guidance, and programs for them as they navigate early adolescence. They received \$3000.
2 HYPE Youth Development	Falling through the cracks (Youth Mental Health & Trauma)	East Cleveland	<i>2 Hype Youth Development</i> , located in East Cleveland, received \$2000 to support their initiative working with youth on mental health challenges. They will host a support group for youth to deal with these challenges.
A Band of Brothers*	F.U.T.U.R.E.- A Mediation Play	Mt. Pleasant	<b>A Band of Brothers</b> received \$4000 to support hosting "The F.U.T.U.R.E. - A Mediation" - a play with a creative yet artistic flare of 'hip-hop' much like that of Hamilton that will focus on interaction between youth and law enforcement at a local basketball court. The play will have a teaching component of how good interactions come about as well as the opposite, a not so good interaction and how individuals can learn for the lessons to improve future communications for others to follow.

A Place For Us*	Concert in The Park 2024	East Cleveland	<i>A Place for Us</i> was awarded \$4500 to host a concert in Pattinson Park in East Cleveland to honor the memories of three women who were murdered in the city.
ABC READ	Reading Is Freedom	East Cleveland	<i>ABC READ</i> , located in East Cleveland, is dedicated to developing and nurturing a culture of literacy in our Black and underserved communities since 2014. They will host engaging and intergenerational reading events as well as use the funds to install two more Freedom Libraries. ABC Read was awarded \$4500.
Acacia Park Wellness	Grown-ish: We're Going Through Changes	Union Miles	<i>Acacia Park Wellness</i> received \$3650 to support the Grown-ish program. This program is an after-school enrichment program that prepares youth in grades nine through twelve to become self-sufficient young adults through social and emotional education, academic support, self-discovery, career exploration and practical application of life skills. Acacia Park Wellness is located in the Union Miles neighborhood.
Archwood United Church of Christ	Archwood Food Program	Brooklyn Centre	In Brooklyn Centre, <i>Archwood United Church of Christ's</i> food program was awarded \$2580 to host their Food program, serving and delivering meals to people in need in their neighborhood.
Bigman's Family Center	RET Gen 3	Kinsman	<i>Bigman's Family Center</i> , in the Kinsman neighborhood, received \$4500 to support their plan to host a Back to School event in January and supply participants with book bags and school supplies. The back to school bash will then be followed by a 12 week computer lab program called RET Gen 3. RET Gen 3 stands for Retention, Education, and Training across three (3) Generations. Retention is the after-school tutoring program for 3rd – 8th grade students. Education is our GED assistance program for 18 – 59 year old participants. Training is basic computer training skills for the Elderly community focusing on the 60 year olds and up.
Black Men Who Excel*	Piano lessons	Fairfax	In the Fairfax neighborhood, <i>Black Men Who Excel</i> received \$2500 to provide free group piano lessons in person as well as the option to be online. Starting at ages 4 and up, classes will be in groups of no larger than ten people. Classes are one hour long and will take place once a week by group. The groups are split by age. Normally groups are ages 4-6, ages 7-12 and ages 13 and up.
Brandnew Community Inc	Holiday giveaway exposure trip .	Union Miles	<i>Brandnew Community</i> , an organization that works with neighborhood youth, was awarded \$2500 for their Holiday Giveaway exposure trip and community family love brunches. On Saturday December 9th Brandnew will be blessing 50 youth with a holiday shopping spree and a trip to Grove City Premium Outlets in Pennsylvania. Youth between the ages of 7 and 15 will receive a \$150 gift card to

			purchase items. Youth will be selected from area schools and community centers, Youth will have good attendance in school along with community service.
Brick City	Papa Grandparents Family Day & Resource Fair	Mt. Pleasant	With \$3500, <b>Brick City</b> will host their annual Grandparents Education and Resource Family Day in the Mt. Pleasant neighborhood. The mission of the Grandparents Education & Resource Family Day is to strengthen families by creating connections to one another and to opportunities. They believe that in order to strengthen and improve communities, they must start "Grassroots" with the family first.
Building Strong Individuals	Building Strong Individuals	Glenville	<b>Building Strong Individuals</b> is an afterschool training and mentorship program that teaches students entry level skills in carpentry, plumbing, and electrical along with basic repair and maintenance. In addition to learning trade skills in a structure 12-week program, students are engaged in year-round mentoring, and holistic wellness support which includes financial literacy, tutoring, and life skills. This organization received \$4500 and is located in the Glenville neighborhood.
C.H.E.S.S	No otherhood but Brotherhood	North Collinwood	<b>C.H.E.S.S.</b> (Creating Highly Educated Successful Students) seeks to provide minority men a supportive space to discuss sensitive issues that affect both their individual lives and the communities in which they live. Conversations will discuss (1) ways in which toxic masculinity has impacted their journey into manhood, (2) ways to cope with fatherhood stressors, and (3) applicable strategies to increase positive engagement with family and community, while implementing self-care. CHESS was awarded \$3500 and is located in North Collinwood.
Cambry House Charities	Winter Community Resource Fair	Lee Harvard	<b>Cambry House Charities</b> , in Lee Harvard, was awarded \$4789 to support their efforts to provide safe transitional housing and supportive services to prevent homelessness or reoccurrences of homelessness. They provide short-term crisis management, financial management, job placement, family counseling, and parenting skills.
Camp Journey	Soaring Eagles	Union Miles	<b>Camp Journey</b> is a youth led project geared to guiding youth through leading community projects they choose, learning to bring awareness to the community in which they live, and turning to the neighbors and trusted businesses that they know for community rebuilding plans & opportunities. Camp Journey, located in Union Miles, was awarded \$3000.
Celebration Garden	Prepaing for 20 years	Fairfax	<b>Celebration Garden</b> , located in Fairfax, was awarded \$3000 to prepare for the 2024 growing season and for their 20th anniversary. They have 20 garden members. Funds will pay for equipment and to build a shelter for shade for the gardeners.

Chess with Big Tray	Chess with Big Tray	North Collinwood	<b>Chess with Big Tray</b> will teach chess to groups of youth at public library locations. Each group can have 12 participants. They will prepare them for competition and have two tournaments a year. These classes will be at no cost to participants. We will also offer an adult chess program for those that would like to learn. Chess with Big Tray was awarded \$3000.
Chinese Women Association of Cleveland	Big Sister's Group	Asiatown	<b>The Chinese Women's Association of Cleveland's</b> Big Sisters Group received \$3000 to provide valuable resources and support to their members. Each month, they organize various workshops aimed at empowering women and addressing their diverse needs. They actively collaborate with organizations like Asia Services in Action to ensure ongoing assistance for women seeking legal, medical, and social support. Their workshops cover a wide range of topics, including domestic violence, health concerns, immigration, elder care, business support for small business owners and job searching.
Church Square Commons	Senior Gala	Midtown	<b>Church Square Commons</b> residents received \$4250 to host a Senior Prom as well as other initiatives to create a stronger community in their Midtown neighborhood.
Civilians Against Violence	Civilians Against Violence Intervention & Prevention Project	North Collinwood	<b>Civilians Against Violence Intervention &amp; Prevention</b> aims to reduce violence by educating and establishing relationships with people at the center of gun & gang violence in Cleveland neighborhoods. Programs support people at the highest risk of being victims or perpetrators—or both—of violence. They offer programs and are working to raise the legal ages of firearms purchases. Civilians Against Violence was awarded \$4000.
Claiborne Street Club	Community Day Picnic	East Cleveland	<b>The Claiborne Street Club</b> received \$2712 to host their annual Community Summer Day event. The Claiborne Street Club Summer event is a fantastic gathering filled with fun activities and exciting opportunities for everyone in their neighborhood in East Cleveland.
Cleveland Dance Movement*	Supporting the Unsung Choreographers	Downtown	<b>Cleveland Dance Movement</b> was awarded \$3750 to fund "Supporting the Unsung!" Cleveland Dance Movement seeks to address this issue by providing a safe space in which minority dancers, choreographers, and activists in our community can not only create cathartic forms of release, but also address social issues using movement as a catalyst to process cultural trauma. Supporting the Unsung! sheds light on the subtle nuances that prejudice can bring. Five local choreographers will be chosen to create a work with community/local dancers around themes of social justice and equity.

Community Leaders For The People	Leading	Glenville	<i>Community Leaders for the People</i> was awarded \$2000 for their initiative. Located in Glenville, they offer job readiness programs, practical training, and invaluable mentorship. These efforts have been about equipping young individuals with the skills and confidence to surmount obstacles and thrive. At the heart of their engagement lies open and critical dialogue, allowing the youth to express themselves and learn essential conflict resolution techniques.
Delta Alpha Lambda Foundation	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholars Oratory Brunch	Buckeye-Woodhill	<i>Delta Alpha Lambda Foundation</i> was awarded \$2800 to host the Thurgood Marshall Oratorical Debate Education Project. Thurgood Marshall Oratorical Debate (TMOD) Education Project is the 1st and only Urban Speech and Debate program in Northeast Ohio. That infuses multiple other learning opportunities for our youth like the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholars Oratory Brunch and TMOD Black History Student Forums with other education outreach with community partners.
Detroit Shoreway & Cudell Better Streets Committee	Bike Fix-a-thon	Cudell/Edgewater	<i>Detroit Shoreway and Cudell Safe Streets Committee</i> plans to produce a free, open-to-all Bike Fix-a-thon event in Spring 2024. All bikes need annual tune-ups before the warmer weather, Many residents have old or broken bikes they would otherwise be riding. This will be a friendly, low-pressure, and no-cost way for residents to learn about their bikes, get on-the-spot repairs, and grow connections with neighbors.
Diamonds In the Rough	Annual Community Drive thru Christmas Youth toy/food giveaway	Broadway-Slavic Village	<i>Diamonds in the Rough</i> was awarded \$2500 for their annual toy giveaway in Broadway-Slavic Village. Funds will support the purchase of toys and food that will be distributed to 500 families.
Donté's Gift Express	Donté's Gift Express	East Cleveland	<i>Donte's Gift Express</i> , located in East Cleveland, received \$4000 to purchase gifts to distribute to families in their community this holiday season. About 3000 families benefit from the Donte's Gift Express each year.
East Cleveland Concerned Citizens	Huron Place Apartment Building - Belmore Street Neighborhood Clean-up Project	East Cleveland	<i>East Cleveland Concerned Citizens</i> was awarded \$3500 for their clean up of the Huron Road Apartments. This neighborhood clean-up project is being presented as a state of emergency, that affects the citizens & residents, school age children & young people; and senior citizens who live, work, and go to school from Belmore & Terrance Road Streets.
East Cleveland Environmental Club	More Support, Less Plastic	East Cleveland	<i>The East Cleveland Environmental Club</i> was awarded \$4000 to encourage residents to use non-plastic items. They will do this by providing reusable bags, laundry detergent sheets, woolen dryer balls, and bar soap. They will distribute the items in the reusable bags donated by the Coit Road Farmers' Market. This

			will save residents money while developing the habit of using items that do not come in plastic containers.
Elements of Internal Movement and Revolutionary Love Farm	Youth Training Support	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b><i>Elements of Internal Movement and Revolutionary Love Farm</i></b> is organizing a Youth Training program to teach youth urban farming and other skills that can better prepare them for life. Through workforce development, support in social/emotional wellness, and leadership opportunities they intend to work with youth in their neighborhood to improve their opportunities for growth. Revolution Love Farm was awarded \$2500.
Family Institute for Computer Science	Family Cybersecurity Impact Training	East Cleveland	<b><i>The Family Institute for Computer Science</i></b> was awarded \$3000 T to teach a 6 week course in the East Cleveland Community to teens and adults who are interested in the field in Cybersecurity.
Fenwick Ave Block Club	Fenwick Sustainability Project	Stockyards	<b><i>The Fenwick Avenue Block Club</i></b> received \$4000 to create a well-lit, safe communny. Funding is for lighting for their community shipping container and the 44th Street walkway. They want to beautify their community by adding colorful signage that reflects their values and demonstrates their development.
Ferris Coalition	Neighbors Helping Neighbors	Union Miles	<b><i>The Ferris Street Coalition</i></b> , located in Union Miles, was awarded \$2000 for neighboring on their street. Funds will provide school supplies, personal supplies, salt for snowy days and neighborhood cleaning supplies. We r very proud of our efforts to maintain a clean and safe environment for our residents which is something that we do all year round.
Fifth Christian Freedom School	Freedom School	Lee Harvard	<b><i>The Fifth Christian Church</i></b> was awarded \$2000 for training and support for their staffing of this Freedom School.
First Cleveland Mosque	Community Engagement Collaborative	Mt. Pleasant	The Community Engagement Collaborative (CEC) of <b><i>First Cleveland Mosque</i></b> was awarded \$4500 to work in their neighborhood to improve social and emotional well being of our neighbors. They are engaging with residents and community members who have the desire and interest of uplifting the community. They plan on continuing Door to Door outreach to uplift, engage and improve the Mt. Pleasant community by inviting residents into activities and gatherings such as the community garden, monthly food distribution, family socials and Informational forums.

Footpath Foundation*	Lakeview CMHA Summer Program	Ohio City	<b>The Footpath Foundation</b> was awarded \$2500 to work with young residents in the CMHA Lakeview Terrace by making nature accessible to the most vulnerable populations among us – low-income children and teens. Their three primary goals are: 1) to teach students something new about nature and the outdoors in and around their region; 2) to help students develop social emotional learning skills – especially regarding mindfulness, self-awareness, and self-control; and 3) to help students recognize that the natural world and being outside can make them feel calm, less stressed, and physically healthy.
For Spectrum Sake and Others	For Social Sake	North Collinwood	<b>For Spectrum Sake and Others</b> was awarded \$3000 to bring families together for mutual support and fun activities who have children with autism. Part of their effort is to introduce families to more outdoor opportunities in the community that they normally wouldn't have the opportunity to experience. They will provide fun, interactive events and programs for families.
Gifts To the Body	Healing Hurting Women in Our Communities	East Cleveland	<b>Gifts to the Body</b> is for women who have suffered trauma and mental health challenges in their life. They are provided support to help them cope and live a life full of hope knowing that they have a place to come and get healing. Gifts to the Body was awarded \$1500.
Golden Ciphers Youth Development & Cultural Arts Center	Ward 5 ALIVE ~ One Love!	Central	<b>Golden Ciphers Youth Development</b> received \$4500 to create the Ward 5 Alive - One Love initiative. Ward 5 Alive is designed to assist in creating stronger connections among residents, businesses and community partners from a culturally relevant perspective, collectively improving the quality of life for the Central Community.
Guns Down Hopes Up	Healing Hearts Family Support Brunch for those affected by Gun Violence	Mt. Pleasant	<b>Guns Down Hopes Up</b> (GDHU) organization will host Grieving Family Support Group Brunch, GDHU plans to host a caring and inclusive event that aims to provide a supportive and nurturing space for families who have been tragically impacted by gun violence. This project seeks to foster connection, understanding, and healing among family members as they navigate the challenging journey of grief together. GDHU was awarded \$3158.
Hand Up Ministries	6th Annual Soup & Socks	Glenville	<b>Hand Up Ministries</b> will host the sixth annual Soup & Socks program. As in years past, they plan to continue being of service to the Glenville community by again partnering with other organizations at Wilson United Methodist Church to utilize space at their facility to distribute food and supplies. Hand Up was awarded \$3325.
Hands On Health	Wealthy Heart	Multiple Neighborhoods	<b>Hands-On Health</b> was awarded \$3000 to organize heart health information sessions that include free health screenings, in person hands-on nutritious meal cooking, conversations about nutrition and balanced meals, portion control and

			physical activity exercises. The program will now offer sessions that include recognizing signs and symptoms of a stroke and heart attack and easy steps to assess the need and perform CPR in a dire situation until help arrives.
Hasani	Hasani Garden Camp	Bellaire Puritas	<b>Hasani</b> will implement their annual Garden Camp, a rich experience for children to learn more about the natural environment. The camp creates crafts an environment where climate action and sustainability knowledge interweave with core STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) processes and wholesome dietary practices. Hasani was awarded \$4000.
Healing Spaces	Collaboration & Development Series	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>Healing Spaces</b> will host a series of events that will contribute to sustainable community environmental and social efforts. Examples of these events include cycling & flower bombing. They will coordinate a bicycle ride of 20-35 cyclers, each equipped with thousands of wildflower seeds. They will throw these from baskets along a predetermined route to a destination where we will have a healing event with a wellness practitioner, education or storytelling, and snacks.
Herron Row Street Club	Beautification Initiative 2023	Mt. Pleasant	<b>The Herron Row Street Club</b> was awarded \$2000 to continue their beautification efforts on their street in the Mt. Pleasant neighborhood.
Higher Hope Ministries	Brother 2 Brother	St. Clair Superior	<b>Higher Hope Ministries</b> will register up to 20 men ranging in age from 18 to 25 to participate and pair with an other men to support them and connect them to opportunities that will connect them to careers and family supports. Higher Hope was awarded \$3000.
Hotsauce In My Bag	Hotsauce In My Bag Healing Brunches	Hough	<b>Hotsauce in My Bag</b> was awarded \$2500 to host 4 brunches (80 participants total), one each quarter. They will invite women from Hough neighborhood to connect with one another and to build support with each other.
Howard Huskies	Career Development, Skills Building, & Mentorship Project	South Collinwood	<b>Howard Huskies</b> career development, skills training, and mentorship program is designed to help participants investigate career aspirations along with developing vocational skills in carpentry, electrical, and plumbing. This program provides the support, knowledge, skills, and tools participants can use to prepare for success. They received a \$4500 grant award.
IMPACT Hospitality Center	Bridging the Gap	Ohio City	<b>Impact Hospitality Center</b> was awarded \$2380 to bring the unhoused community together with housed residents in the neighborhood to build trust and connection. This event will bring the community together for a day of fun with the focus on improving community relations between the community and the unsheltered and the unhoused, to promote unity and diversity while also educating people on



			community resources and to discuss neighborhood issues. There will be speakers, entertainment, food and activities in an outdoor setting.
Impact Youth Incorporated	Impact Youth L.E.A.D. After School Enrichment	Bellaire Puritas	<b>Impact Youth</b> received \$2380 to host L.E.A.D., an after school program for 5th through 8th graders to help prepare them for the transition academically and socially to the challenges and rigorous curriculum high school presents. Creatively putting a spin on the word “Lead” we teach and inspire our young leaders to be examples others can follow while our adult leaders organize and direct their paths.
Jamocha Arts Center	Coats and Things for Youth in Shelters	Hough	<b>Jamocha Arts Center</b> recognizes the on going need for children and teens to have much needed clothing, coats for winter months, hats and gloves. These items are hard to get from parents who are struggling to put food on the table. They will use the \$2000 to purchase these items to distribute to families in their neighborhood.
John F. Kennedy High School Alumni Association	JFK Alumni Association HBCU Tour in Washington DC	Lee Harvard	<b>The John F. Kennedy High School Alumni Association</b> was awarded \$4500 to take forty-five current JFK High School and other CMSD students to visit Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the mid-Atlantic states this year.
LAMP Learning & Mentoring Program	LAMP Learning & Mentoring Program	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>LAMP Learning and Mentoring Program</b> received \$4000 to provide social support and academic support focused on literacy, reading and writing. Youth will also have a mentor. This program prepares youth for educational success, occupational, and employment readiness and ultimately greater community involvement.
Leg Up for Cleveland's Kids	A Race to Understand Racial Justice Literacy Project	St. Clair Superior	<b>Leg Up for Cleveland's Kids</b> was awarded \$3400 for the "Race to Understand Racial Justice Literacy Project", a curriculum and book discussion for 6th-12th grade students of "Horse," by Pulitzer-Prize winning author Geraldine Brooks. Students from John Hay High School, Kenneth Clement Leadership Academy, Warner Girls Leadership Academy, and Rhodes Early College & Career will participate.
Little Lumpy's Center	The Sixth Annual Great Lakes African American Writers Conference	Downtown	<b>Little Lumpy's Center</b> received \$4000 to host the 6th Annual Great Lakes African American Writers Conference (GLAAWC). Since its inception, GLAAWC presents exceptional and renowned writers to audiences in Cleveland, regionally, and globally. Walter Mosley, Pearl Cleage, and Toni Tipton Martin were among the previous presenters. GLAAWC’s goal is to expand artistic and business knowledge, skills, and access for aspiring and published writers.

Loves Legacy Incorporated	Agape project	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>Loves Legacy Incorporated</b> was awarded \$1750 to collect hygiene products and school supplies for neighborhood children and to provide gift cards and Christmas trees for families,
Magic Memorial Community Garden	Community Garden Upgrades	Glenville	<b>Magic Memorial Community Garden</b> was awarded \$1500 to replace their raised gardenbeds They plan to redo the gardenbeds and refigure the garden for more space. They will be able to try new veggies and provide needed equipment to help us grow within the community with a veggie stand to give the food away
Manna Store House*	Jewish History and Community	Union Miles	<b>Manna Store House</b> received \$3500 to create greater understanding of Jewish history and traditions. They will bring people together for meals and conversation on this history and what it means to build a stronger neighborhood through understanding this history.
Mended*	The Mother Daughter Relationship Expressed Through Art	Hough	<b>Mended</b> seeks to support mother-daughter relationships through art and conversation. They will hire a photographer for a creative photoshoot that captures the complexity and fragility of the stages of the mother daughter relationship. The finished product will be showcased within the community as an art exhibit. During the exhibits, a community dialogue will offer residents the space to express the state of their own relationships. Mended received \$2125 for this effort.
Mill Creek Community	The Good Continues	Broadway-Slavic Village	<b>The Mill Creek Community</b> was awarded \$2500 to host regular community get togethers with the goal of bringing residents together to discuss concerns and gather ideas for improvement.
Mood Food 4 U	Food 4 U	Downtown	<b>Mood Food 4 U</b> was awarded \$4500 to support the most vulnerable by raising awareness about drug overdose risks. Through distributing Narcan and educating on its usage, they aim to empower and save more lives. In addition, they will be feeding the homeless.
Mothers Helping Mothers	Babies Bottles Blessings	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>Mothers Helping Mothers</b> received a grant of \$1,500 to support their efforts to provide new and expecting mothers with food and baby items during the holiday season.
Mx. Juneteenth	Mx. Juneteenth: A Black & Queer Liberation Celebration	Midtown	<b>Mx. Juneteenth</b> , founded in 2021, will use grant funds totaling \$2,750 to commemorate the Juneteenth holiday with a space of reverance and remembrance that explicitly promotes an environment of respect, civility, and liberation.

N R A G E INC	YRU ANGRY	Glenville	<i>N.R.A.G.E., Inc.</i> was awarded \$2,500 to support its efforts to reduce youth anger and violence in Cleveland neighborhoods.
Naomi Women of Distinction	Naomi Light Series	Multiple Neighborhoods	<i>Naomi Women of Distinction</i> organizes a regular support group for black women to create opportunities for mutual support and learning together. This group was awarded \$3000.
National Congress of Black Women-Greater Cleveland chapter	Bring Back the Village-Ready, Set and Let's Succeed in School	Fairfax	<i>The Greater Cleveland Chapter of the National Congress of Black Women</i> will tutor students in grades 2 through 4, through its eTAP program, which combines academic learning with social-emotional skill building; the project was awarded a grant of \$4,165.
National Council of Negro Women - Cuyahoga County	Season of Thanks (Thanksgiving Meals for Families in the City of Cleveland)	Multiple Neighborhoods	<i>The National Council of Negro Women's</i> goal is to supply healthy Thanksgiving meals and useful utensils for families in the communities of Kinsman, Buckeye/Woodland, Mt. Pleasant, and Union Miles. They were awarded \$3500.
National Fly Association	“YYCFOO” Young adults, Youth & children flying over obstacles	Glenville	<i>The National Fly Association</i> endeavors to aid youth, providing them with the resources (clothing, supplies, mentorship, etc.) needed to be vital members of their local community; they were awarded a grant of \$2,000 in support of their youth empowerment initiative.
Neighborhood Dialogue	A New Kind of Neighboring	Ohio City	<b>Neighborhood Dialogue</b> will facilitate a dialogue process for people impacted by a local controversy around the proposed placement of a Youth Drop-In Center in the Ohio City community. The goal of this project is creating renewed relationships, deeper unity around concerns, and new ways to move forward in mutual support. Neighborhood Dialogue received \$4500.
New City Cleveland	Winter Workday Program	Buckeye-Woodhill	With a grant of \$4,500, <i>New City Cleveland</i> will implement its innovative Winter Workday program, which combines snow removal sericides for seniors in the Buckeye-Woodhill neighborhood with workforce development training for local teens.
New Image Block Association	Empty Lot Transformation	Buckeye-Woodhill	<i>New Image Block Association</i> will transform vacant lots in the Reservoir Neighborhood (as described in the Buckeye Plan) into a beautifully landscaped public space using grant funds of \$4,500 as well as donated supplies and local volunteer labor.
North Collinwood Thundercats Youth Organization	All-Star Cheerleading Program	North Collinwood	<i>North Collinwood Thundercats Youth Organization's</i> all-star cheerleading program will invite approximately 50 youngsters to learn basic fundamentals while preparing for a series of cheerleading competitions--including one in Orlando, FL--with a grant of \$2,500.

Oh Sew Powerful Inc	Creative Babywearing Program	Lee Harvard	With a grant of \$4,500, <i>Oh Sew Powerful, Inc.</i> (OSPI), will implement its free, intergenerational public program through which participants learn to sew articles of clothing, accessories, household items, and "ring baby slings," designed facilitate babywearing and its important benefits within a community where infant mortality is prevalent.
One Collinwood, One Community	It's a Family Affair . . . Healthy Eating for Healthy Living in the Collinwood Community	North Collinwood	With a grant of \$2000, <i>One Collinwood, One Community</i> will roll out "It's a Family Affair . . . Healthy Eating for Healthy Living in the Collinwood Community," a series of events that seek to inspire healthy eating and healthy lifestyles.
OWLS Cleveland	Owls social Bridging the Gap and monthly Lunch	Tremont	<i>OWLS Cleveland</i> was awarded a grant of \$2,509, which will support the group's monthly luncheons for seniors; in addition to lunch and fellowship, each session will include a speaker or activity targeted to the needs and interests of area senior citizens.
Plant It Forward	Garden To Table	Union Miles	<i>Plant It Forward</i> will combine its gardening curriculum with creativity and environmental awareness to provide a series of family-friendly sessions focused on cultivating healthy lifestyles; it was awarded a \$3,000 grant for this program.
Pneuma Chapel	North Collinwood Block Party	North Collinwood	<i>Pneuma Chapel</i> received \$1500 to bring their neighborhood together to build a stronger social fabric. Through neighborhood gatherings, they will create opportunities for residents to build connections and work together on issues they care about for the betterment of the community.
Puerto Rican Parade and Latino Festival*	Parade and Festival	Brooklyn Centre	<i>The Puerto Rican Parade and Latino Festival</i> will include the planning and implementation of the 54th Puerto Rican parade, which highlights the cultural richness and vibrancy of the Latino/Hispanic community of greater Cleveland. The parade has a long-standing history in Cleveland and serves as a shining example of how cultural pride, and unity can create positive and lasting impact on the lives of it's residents. The parade will feature floats adorned with colorful art displays, traditional costumes, and folk music. It will also provide a platform for participants to express their cultural pride and share their heritage with the wider community.
Reach Success	Reaching Home Together: Reach Success Covers All Bases	West Park	<i>Reach Success'</i> Youth Program aims to prepare students for learning whether during traditional school hours or in the after school time frame through building fun and trusting relationships. Reach Success plans to utilize this grant to further support a healthy learning environment in the after school time frame while impacting their school performance. They were awarded \$2500.

Record216*	IlluminaInterviews	Ohio City	<b>Record216</b> was awarded \$3000 for their initiative, "IlluminaInterviews". This initiative is designed to provide a platform for artists and social media influencers, particularly those who might not yet have reached mainstream recognition. At its core, the project aims to shed light on the journeys, inspirations, and challenges faced by these individuals.
Renounce Denounce Gang Intervention Program	Saving Our Youth from Gun and Gang Violence	East Cleveland	With the support of \$4500, <b>Renounce Denounce Gang Intervention</b> will continue their work to reduce the involvement of youth in gang activity in the city of East Cleveland.
Rhythmic Art Studio*	U & I of Euclid Avenue	East Cleveland	<b>Rhythmic Art Studio</b> was awarded \$4250 to bring together 30 youth from the community to create 3 murals. Instead of creating temporary artwork, the movable canvas murals will be designed to be relocated as necessary to semi-permanent locations that create the largest impact. An emphasis will be on installing the murals along the Euclid Avenue corridor that will reinvigorate an area once known as "The Grand Promenade of Cleveland".
Rose House	Community Gathering at Inez Place	Glenville	<b>Rose House</b> will create opportunities for building trusting relationships for people with health conditions and impairments by working with neighbors, community groups, and organizations to bring people together. The gatherings will provide a safe, consistent place to nurture relationships within in their community by offering healthy meals and social engagement. Rose House was awarded \$3500.
Sanctuary Enrichment	Sanctuary E Sports program	Union Miles	<b>Sanctuary Enrichment</b> is organizing an Esports program with \$3000 with \$3000 from this grant. Esports is an activity that allows organized gaming. Sanctuary will invite the youth in their community and bring them together with this gaming initiative.
Seasons Of Love & Hope	Bookbags Filled With Love	Glenville	<b>Seasons of Hope &amp; Love</b> will provide basic needs for the community but in book bags. They will give out basic needs in the bookbags and also provide health screenings for the community. This done for each season of the year and we also provide different items based on the season. They received \$2000.
SHINE	SHINE Boys and Girls	East Cleveland	<b>SHINE</b> was awarded \$4000 to organize a range of programs and services that address the multifaceted needs of youth. Through workshops, mentoring, counseling, and practical training, they will deliver a comprehensive curriculum designed to empower young women in all aspects of their lives.
Shyne Bright	Nourish and Thrive	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>The Shyne Bright Food Justice Initiative</b> aims to collaborate with community centers and senior facilities as an urban culinary educator. Through interactive cooking classes, the initiative will not only provide valuable culinary skills but also assess the specific needs and preferences of our elders. This is a part of

			gaining full perspective of daily life with privileges and challenges as it relates to food security. They were awarded \$3000.
Sisters Haven	A Novel Idea	Cudell/Edgewater	<b>Sisters Haven</b> will create a sidewalk library and pantry for their convenience in hopes of supporting literacy and relationships in their neighborhood. They hope to inspire readers of all ages and encourage an attitude of giving back to a community that desperately needs to be revived. They received \$1500.
Southeast Cleveland Resource Center	Southeast Cleveland Resource Center	Broadway-Slavic Village	The Southeast Cleveland Resource Center was awarded \$3000 to assist community members in accessing the resources they need in the Broadway-Slavic Village neighborhood, including help with housing, mental health treatment, food, and other needed resources.
Speakezie Go Hard	Zen Zone	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>Speakezie Go Hard</b> will use \$2500 to create the Zen Zone, a place for gatherings that promote healing through meditation, gardening, conversations, and community building.
Teen Start Program	Mental Health Awareness, Healing Farms	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>The Teen Start Program</b> will use \$2500 to organize the Teen Start Mental Health Awareness: Healing Farms Project. This initiative will expose neighborhood youth and families to the healing powers of nature and assist in the transformation of mind, body and spirit and to improve their social emotional health.
The Colony Collective	Hygiene and Cleaning Supply Delivery	East Cleveland	<b>The Colony Collective</b> will use its grant of \$4,000 to deliver home supplies to families in Cleveland who are in need of help and can't get out to get these items.
The Urban Barber Association	Barbers, Beauties, & Blood Pressures (B3)	Detroit Shoreway	<b>The Urban Barber Association</b> was awarded \$2000 to empower individuals with the knowledge and resources they need to not only look good but also feel good. Through a series of engaging events (health fairs and community discussions) and placement of Community Navigators at their minority health tables, they aim to raise awareness about minority health issues within their community. By fostering a sense of personal responsibility, we aim to create a lasting impact on individuals' overall well-being.
United To Bless	U2B -Level B3	Glenville	<b>United to Bless</b> was awarded \$1500 to help grow and empower a community of women and youth, who are committed to their development as leaders, helpers, and valuable citizens within our community. It is important to this organization to provide quality support to women and youth who are not typically exposed to life skill development coaching services

W.H.G.	Winter Basketball Camp	North Collinwood	<b>WHG</b> was awarded \$3000 to host basketball clinics and education support for youth in the neighborhood. They will offer ongoing basketball clinics and provide academic support to youth and children in the community.
We Progress	The We Progress Taking My life Back Event	Buckeye-Woodhill	<b>We Progress</b> was awarded \$3631 to host a career connection initiative to help residents connect to good employment opportunities. Training and support will also be available for for conducting job searches, dressing for work and for interviews, mock interviews, identifying personal strengths through a strength finder test, and relationship building. The goal is to give the people in their community the confidence they need to land the job they want.
We Think 4 a Change	Get in Care, Stay in Care, Thrive in Care Technology Works	Broadway-Slavic Village	The mission of <b>We Think 4 A Change</b> (WT4AC) is to join and empower individuals and urban communities impacted by HIV/AIDS by reducing stigma through education, awareness, and healing efforts committed to forward progress in the HIV/AIDS movement. With \$4400 from Neighbor Up, WT4AC proposes to provide equitable access for low- to moderate- income households in their community to assist them in connecting to the internet.
Worthey Wellness	The Peer Project	Hough	<b>Worthey Wellness</b> was awarded \$3500 to support youth and their families housed in the Juvenile Justice Center and provide support to the youth that are there. They intend to work with the families as well. They will identify the needs of the youth, then work closely with the families to engage them in the future of their child.