

PROGRAM/DISTRIBUTIONS COMMITTEE
August 2022 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS

GOAL: CREATE AN EQUITABLE COMMUNITY
Education Action Area

Recommendations are supported by:

- *Early Childhood Education Fund*: To support the educational and social development of children from birth to kindergarten age in greater Rochester.
- *Edna Jeanne Brush Fund*: For early childhood education and development.
- *Philip and Dolores Neivert "Fun Fund"*: Longtime friends of the Community Foundation used a gift of Rite Aid stock to establish this fund to support recreational activities for those who might not have the opportunity.
- *Robert and Ann Van Neil Fund*: Supports early childhood education.
- *Rogerson Fund for Handicapped Children*: Addresses needs of physically, mentally, socially or economically disadvantaged children. Includes those whose situation puts them at a disadvantage in life.
- *Sinclair Fund for Early Childhood Education*: To support early childhood education.
- *VJ Stanley Sr. Fund*: To support literacy from birth to 5th grade, veterans, and health/disease areas.
- *Wilson and Frances Stewart Fund*: To support programs benefiting children preschool through high school.
- *Youth Impact Grant Fund includes support from the following funds*:
 - *Children's Fund*: For programs meeting the needs of young people.
 - *Elizabeth Gibson Holahan Children's Fund*: To provide for the needs of children, and especially children in the City of Rochester.
 - *Helen Gladys Ritter Mohr Fund*: To benefit children, especially city children.
 - *Junior League of Rochester Endowment for Children and Youth*: To meet the needs of children and youth in the Monroe County area as they change over the years.
 - *Justine M. Lynes Children's Fund*: For assisting children, especially low-income children in the City of Rochester.
 - *Lorma E. Gardner Endowment Fund II*: For programs supporting children.

Children's Institute: \$50,000

The Children's Institute requests funding for Mental Health Consultants who partner with educators, staff, and families in early childhood settings to promote social emotional development, prevent and address behavioral and mental health problems, and reduce the impact of disparities.

Children's Institute: \$30,000

The Children's Institutes' RECAP program is a comprehensive assessment system that works to continuously improve the quality of pre-k classrooms. Student, teacher, and system performance is assessed with easily interpreted data, and produce enhanced child outcomes.

Children's Institute: \$20,000

The Children's Institute's Rochester Area Parent Program, based on the evidence-based Chicago Parent Program, helps parents of children birth to age five to strengthen their parenting skills and gain confidence in managing their children's behaviors.

Family Resource Centers of Hillside Families of Agencies: \$25,000

Through individualized monthly home visits, the Family Resource Centers of Hillside Families of Agencies assist up to 25 in-home City of Rochester family childcare providers to improve the development and early learning of young children.

Hoekelman Center University of Rochester, Department of Pediatrics: \$22,752

The “Joy of Literacy Kits” project at the Hoekelman Center University of Rochester, Department of Pediatrics, is focused on increasing kindergarten readiness for children attending Rochester City School District Universal Pre-Kindergarten programs. Families are provided with home literacy kits to support the development of their children’s early literacy skills.

New York State Network for Youth Success: \$10,000

The New York State Network for Youth Success supports the NYS-mandated school-age childcare credential process for staff in the greater Rochester area and the NYS after-school accreditation process for interested programs through its School-Age Care Professional Development and Regional Network Support. It also provides an avenue at the state level to address systemic issues, policy changes, gaps and needs in the out-of-school time arena with state level administrators and leaders.

Reach Out and Read Upstate NY: \$25,000

Reach Out and Read Upstate NY supports incorporating books and literacy into pediatric care in the first five years of a child’s life, especially for those with high needs or those who are hard to reach. During a well-child visit, each child is given a book to take home and families are encouraged to read aloud to their children.

Rochester Childfirst Network: \$30,000

Rochester Childfirst Network supports high quality in-home family childcare providers with the tools they need to develop professionally and personally so children in their care receive high-quality care and education through its Family Childcare Satellites of Greater Rochester.

St. Phillip Missionary Baptist Church: \$25,000

This proposal from St. Phillip Missionary Baptist Church supports the 2022 expanding summer learning opportunities efforts by funders for youth in the city of Rochester to increase safe places, positive relationships, and enriching activities for youth to participate in.

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Racial Equity Action Area

Recommendations are supported by:

- *Edward L. Lane Fund*: A bequest from a retired assistant director of the former Finger Lakes Regional Health System Agency (now Common Ground Health) established this fund to support health, social services, and educational needs of underserved population.

Rochester Spinal Association: \$10,000

This proposal from the Rochester Spinal Association supports the expansion of a support group for people who are paralyzed due to gun violence.

GOAL: STRENGTHEN REGIONAL VITALITY
Ageing Action Area

Recommendations are supported by:

- *Laura and Raymond Humphrey Fund*: A retired educator established this fund to honor her late husband and their commitment to supporting the well-being of our community's aging population.

Up to three organizations (TBD): up to \$3,597

Supports participation in Lifespan's Gerontology Certificate Program for a staff person from up to three aging service organizations.

GOAL: STRENGTHEN REGIONAL VITALITY
Historic Preservation Action Area

Recommendations supported by:

- *Elizabeth Gibson Holahan Fund for Historic Preservation I*: A prominent decorator and preservationist bequeathed her historic East Boulevard home and residual estate to the Community Foundation, creating this fund for historic preservation.
- *Lloyd E. Klos Foundation*: To support historical preservation, education, and information.

540WMain: \$15,000

Convened by local preservation and educational groups, The Gentrification Conference 2023 will provide diverse Rochester institutions and communities with educational programming about how gentrification impacts historical neighborhoods and their communities.

Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association: \$10,000

This project seeks to expand awareness of the history of the steamboat era through the establishment of an Underwater Shipwreck Preserve.

Friends of Ganondagan: \$13,008

Haudenosaunee Healthy Roots, Culture, and Traditions programming consists of a series of four events (offered between September 2022 and February 2023), which provide authentic engagement and experiential learning in Haudenosaunee culture and living traditions, while connecting to food systems and the natural world.

Friends of Parrott Hall, Inc.: \$10,000

Parrott Hall's stabilization, remediation, and rehabilitation, after 50 years of vacancy, will help advance revitalization within the region as well as the City of Geneva. Its immediate goal is to secure the 25% match required by a state grant.

George Eastman Museum: \$15,000

George Eastman Museum will enhance the museum visitors' experience by renovating over 3,600 square feet of unrestored space in the historic mansion to create new public galleries dedicated to a contemporary, balanced interpretation of George Eastman and to the exhibition of photographic and cinematographic technology, as well as improving accessibility for all visitors.

Joseph Avenue Arts and Cultural Alliance: \$15,000

Joseph Avenue Arts and Culture Alliance will recreate 12 stained-glass windows, using existing glass remnants, in the landmark building that formerly housed a synagogue and will become a performing arts center.

Pennsylvania Yankee Theatre Company: \$19,440

Built in 1910, the historic Sampson Theatre renovation will bring back a performing arts space for the community and have it become the center of activity and economic development for Yates County.

St. John's Episcopal Church: \$15,000

This project would restore St. John's historic Bell Tower, including exterior and interior rehabilitation true to the design and appearance of the original structure.

The Center for Youth: \$15,000

The Center for Youth will be able to offer a safe and inviting space for youth and families that gather restoring the historic building on Monroe Avenue that formerly served as the neighborhood YMCA and is now called Bridge to Peace.

The Dove Block Project: \$10,000

The Dove Center proposes to clean and seal the exposed brick walls in its three bay areas and have picture hanging rails installed in the spaces.

The Landmark Society of Western New York: \$20,000

The Landmark Society will organize a six-week Window Workforce Pilot Training Program, which is designed to serve as a model for a long-term workforce development program in the preservation trades, targeting underserved urban and rural populations.

The Landmark Society of Western New York: \$10,000

Harriett Tubman Bicentennial Committee seeks to engage local youth in genealogical research that will help inform historical reenactments to be performed by youth during the "Long Journey to Freedom" statue installation of Harriet Tubman leading a child to freedom at Washington Square Park September and October 2022 as part of the Harriet Tubman Bicentennial Celebration.

The Cobblestone Society: \$12,000

This project corrects various structural issues with the early 19th-century and 20th-Century Vagg House and provides needed maintenance on the National Historic Landmark Cobblestone Church.

University of Rochester River Campus Libraries/Memorial Art Gallery: \$20,000

This project sees to preserve and make accessible the Black Lives Matter (BLM) digital archive, support further development of content related to BLM, and leverage conversations centered on change movements in Rochester through outreach opportunities like public art, exhibitions, and programming.

Cross-Cutting

Cross-cutting grants support our work in more than one Goal or Action Area.

Recommendations supported by:

- *James M. and Olive Edmund Fund*: Established by the couple's children to honor them and benefit the community that they loved.

First Baptist Church: \$5,000

The project will repair several ventilator stained glass windows in the sanctuary to preserve them and restore beauty of the church building.

Village of Brockport: \$5,000

The Village of Brockport will partner with Shake on the Lake to deliver Shakespeare's tragic masterpiece, Macbeth, featuring live music and a professional cast.