

PROGRAM/DISTRIBUTIONS COMMITTEE
August 2023 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS

GOAL: CREATE AN EQUITABLE COMMUNITY
Education

Recommendations are supported by:

- *Anne Heneghan Fund for Infant Care*: Family, friends, and colleagues dedicated this fund in memory of a woman who devoted her life to nurturing children in their first year of life.
- *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.
- *McCoy Family Fund*: A family created this fund in memory of their parents, Isabel, and W. Bayard McCoy, to support early childhood education and medical research.
- *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: Behavioral Supports for Children, \$70,000

Mental health consultants 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: RECAP Assessments, \$30,000

RECAP is a comprehensive assessment system that works to continuously improve the quality of Pre-K classrooms. Student, teacher, and system performances are assessed with easily interpreted data. Enhanced child outcomes result.

Children's Institute: Rochester Area Parent Program (RAPP), \$20,000

Rochester Area Parent Program is based on the evidence-based Chicago Parent Program that successfully helps parents of children from birth to age five strengthen their parenting skills and gain confidence in managing their children's behaviors.

Hillside Families of Agencies: \$25,000

Through individualized monthly home visits, they will assist up to 20, in-home City of Rochester family childcare providers to better support the development and early learning of young children in their care.

Reach Out and Read: \$25,000

Reach Out and Read 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 are hard to reach. During a well-child visit doctors give each child a book to take home and families are encouraged to read aloud to their children.

Rochester Childfirst Network: \$30,000

Supporting 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.

The Research Foundation for SUNY, College at Brockport: \$5,000

SUNY Brockport seeks to facilitate the educational success of migrant children and parents by helping them to develop skills for self-advocacy, become life-long learners and members of the community.

GOAL: STRENGTHEN REGIONAL VITALITY
Historic Preservation Action Area

Recommendations are supported by:

- *Community Impact Fund*: Unrestricted fund for general charitable/educational purposes.
- *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.
- *Laszlo Family Fund*: supports nonprofit organizations in Monroe County that provide food to those without, shelter to the homeless, and services and housing to those suffering from mental illness.
- *Lloyd E. Klos Foundation*: To support historical preservation, education, and information.
- *Sarah Collins Fund*: An estate gift from this retired RIT professor and community organization volunteer addresses the needs of oppressed and marginalized people.
- *William R. and Elizabeth N. Sheldon Fund*: Longtime residents of Livingston County used a planned gift to create this fund for broad purposes, with a preference for supporting the Caledonia-Mumford area.

Asbury First United Methodist Church: \$20,000

The proposed project will provide urgently needed mitigation and masonry work to preserve and protect the Wilson Soule House at 1050 East Avenue, now housing the administrative offices of Asbury First United Methodist Church, which is on the National Register of Historic Places and part of the East Avenue Preservation District.

Beechwood Neighborhood Coalition: \$20,000

Beechwood Neighborhood Coalition, under its fiduciary partner Connected Communities, seeks to conduct a cultural resource survey and nomination for historic district designation through the National Register of Historic Places. This would make hundreds of Beechwood homeowners eligible for the NYS Historic Homeownership Rehabilitation Credit and allow more longtime homeowners to afford upkeep and preserve high-quality historic housing in the neighborhood.

Cracker Box Palace: \$15,000

Restoration of the roof and interior sections of the Shaker First House at Alasa Farms.

Friends of Ganondagan: \$13,300

Friends of Ganondagan's Haudenosaunee Healthy Roots, Culture, and Traditions programming consists of a series of four events (held between August 2023 and February 2024), which provide cross cultural connection opportunities through performances, participatory dance, traditional arts, sports and games, storytelling, demonstrations, workshops, presentations, Indigenous food, and a treaty commemoration.

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

The Friends of Parrott Hall along with members of a coalition will work with professional architects, engineers, and contractors to stabilize and restore the historic veranda of Parrott Hall, centrally located on the Cornell AgriTech campus in the City of Geneva, Ontario County.

Galen Historical Society: \$10,000

The Galen Historical Society has two museums — the Brick Church Museum and the Mill Museum — and this request focuses on the preservation of the Brick Church Museum, its main facility that underwent extensive restoration and preservation about 23 years ago.

Genesee Country Village & Museum: \$14,000

The restoration of Genesee Country Village & Museum's Town Hall clock includes dismantling the entire time piece; rehabilitating and lubricating crucial mechanisms to ensure timeliness; restoring the clock faces, numerals, and hands; and reassembling both the interior and exterior elements of the clock within its tower.

Genesee-Orleans Regional Arts Council: \$22,264

The project is restoring a historical building and making it accessible and addressing needed historical improvements.

ImageOut -The Rochester LGBT Film Festival, Inc.: \$25,000

Production of a one-hour documentary and an online, searchable archive, capturing and preserving the history of Rochester's response to the HIV /AIDS crisis from 1981 to present day.

Joseph Avenue Arts and Cultural Alliance: \$25,000

As a component of this renovation of a landmark former house of worship into a center for performing and visual arts, the Joseph Avenue Arts and Culture Alliance will undergo floor modifications within the stage area and in practice rooms to allow for use in the teaching and performance of dance.

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

Landmark Society seeks to expand its Old House Help program — a collection of resources and services that help homeowners navigate old house ownership — and update its 1995 publication, "Rehab Rochester: A Sensible Guide for Old-House Maintenance, Repair, and Rehabilitation."

National Warplane Museum: \$15,000

Using original plans, the National Warplane Museum aims to restore a historical C47 "Whiskey 7." It will source original radio/navigation equipment and re-create the radio and navigation stations within the plane to appear as they were in 1944, purchase and install 9 original troop seats, and replace a main landing gear equipment to maintain the plane's flying schedule for visitors and historical buffs at numerous flying events.

Pennsylvania Yankee Theatre Company: \$15,000

Built in 1910, Pennsylvania Theatre Company is restoring the historic Sampson Theatre in Penn Yan to return it to its origins as a performing arts center in Yates County.

Rochester Historical Society: \$20,000

After years of challenges, Rochester Historical Society (RHS) has been in discussions about a strategic partnership with the Landmark Society of Western New York, with the ultimate goal of creating a history center featuring RHS collections and to provide leadership and resources that the nonprofit organization desperately needs.

St. John Fisher University: \$6,691

This project will result in the installation of a memorial that pays tribute to individuals who died in social welfare institutions erected along South Avenue in the 19th century — the almshouse, the penitentiary, and the “insane asylum”— and were buried in unmarked (“pauper”) graves in Mount Hope Cemetery.

The Cobblestone Society: \$32,667

This project will restore eight windows in the Cobblestone Church and will install half-round gutters to the front of the Blacksmith Shop.

The Cupola Restoration Project, Penn Yan, Inc.: \$10,000

This proposal seeks to restore and preserve the historic cupola of The Empire State Winery, built in 1896, to highlight the robust local history of a canal teeming with produce, steamboats, and thriving businesses, and serve as an educational resource and focal point for residents and visitors to Yates County, enhancing the region's vitality and growth.

The New York Museum of Transportation: \$10,000

The proposed project will create a secure, fire-proof, controlled-atmosphere facility for the museum's archives.

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.

Village of Brockport: \$5,000

The Village of Brockport will partner with Shake on the Lake to deliver The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged), a comedic sendup of all 37 of Shakespeare's plays in 90 minutes that will showcase Shake on the Lake's signature fast, fun, and engaging performance style.