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# 2023 in Review

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# Investing in Positive Change

Two overarching goals drive our competitive grantmaking — **creating an equitable community** and **strengthening our region's vitality**. This focus helps us and our community partners close achievement and opportunity gaps in city schools, foster racial understanding, tackle the root causes and devastating impacts of poverty, support the arts, preserve historical assets, advance environmental justice and sustainability, and promote successful aging.

From April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023, the Community Foundation's board of directors approved the following competitive grants (categorized under the two main goals). Forever (unrestricted) and field of interest funds make possible most competitive grants.

A number in parentheses indicates how many grants were received during the one-year period for the same program and are included in the grant total. Symbols listed in the key at the bottom of pages indicate grants from funds that have their own application processes. Learn more about our grants at [racf.org/Grants](https://racf.org/Grants).

## CREATING AN EQUITABLE COMMUNITY

**\$2,171,569**

### Closing Academic Achievement and Opportunity Gaps

**\$1,497,191**

*Making a significant and sustainable reduction in academic achievement and opportunity gaps as experienced by many children, with emphasis on children living in the City of Rochester.*

**The Avenue Blackbox Theatre:** Children's Theatre Project, \$10,500\*

**Baden Street Settlement's Metro Council for Teen Potential:** Unintended Pregnancy Prevention, \$15,000

**Best Buddies New York:** School Friendship and Inclusion, \$15,000\*\*

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Rochester**

- Sports Buddies Pilot Program, \$10,000\*
- Youth Mentoring and Family Support, \$15,000\*\*

**Bivona Child Advocacy Center:** Child Safety Curriculum for Those With Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities, \$50,000

**Boys & Girls Clubs of Rochester:** Weekend Free Play Zone, \$25,000<sup>Δ</sup>

**Canandaigua Kiwanis Foundation:** Dream Big Inclusion in Motion, \$25,000<sup>Δ</sup>

**Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes:**

- Childhood Counseling & Intervention Program (CCIP), \$112,500<sup>⊙</sup>
- College Bound, \$35,000<sup>⊙</sup>

**Center for Disability Rights:** Rochester Rookies, \$12,815<sup>Δ</sup>

**The Center for Teen Empowerment:**

- Citywide Youth Peace Conference Process, \$7,450\*
- Neighborhood-based Youth Organizing Initiative, \$15,000\*\*

**The Center for Youth:** Community Navigator Support for Homeless Youth, \$20,000\*\*

**The Children's Agenda:**

- Advocacy to Support Successful Outcomes, \$20,000\*\*
- General Support 2022, \$60,000

**Children's Institute:**

- Behavioral Supports for Children, \$50,000
- Early Childhood Education Quality Council, \$25,000
- Rochester Early Childhood Assessment Partnership, \$30,000
- Rochester Area Parent Program, \$20,000
- Rochester International Children's Film Festival, \$5,000

**Community Resource Collaborative:**

- Build Educate Rise and Restore (B.E.R.R.!) - Infinite Mindz Summer Enrichment, \$10,000

- Marvelous Mind Bridge Care Program, \$10,000
- Saving AJ Youth Tech Academy, \$5,000

**Congregation Beth Sholom:** Youth Initiative, \$16,000

**Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Rochester:** Making a Connection Academy, a Youth Financial Empowerment Program, \$10,000\*\*

**Disability EmpowHer Network:** EmpowHer ROC for Girls with Disabilities, \$10,000

**Eastman Community Music School:** Play It Forward, \$10,000\*

**EnCompass:** Resources for Learning, \$15,000\*\*

**Family Counseling Service of the Finger Lakes:** You Are Not Alone Youth Program, \$5,000<sup>⊙</sup>

**Friends & Foundation of the Rochester Public Library:**

- Library Extension, \$3,000\*
- Safe to be Smart, \$10,000\*\*

**Friends of Roc City Skatepark:** ROC Rolling Friends, Mentors & Guides Project, \$25,000<sup>Δ</sup>

**Garth Fagan Dance:** School Dance Floors, \$17,966<sup>Δ</sup>

**Genesee-Orleans Youth Bureau:** Youth Outreach, \$2,500

**Genesee-Orleans County Regional Arts Council:** Creative Arts Camp, \$5,000

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**Girl Scouts of Western New York:** Reaching New Horizons through the Arts at Summer Camp, \$9,300

**Girls on the Run of Greater Rochester:** Scholarship Program, \$7,200\*

**Greater Canandaigua Family YMCA:** Camp Glacier Lake, \$5,000

**Greater Rochester Summer Learning Association:** *summerLEAP* into Kindergarten, \$15,000\*\*

**Greentopia:** Green Visions - Growing Healthy Futures, \$10,000\*\*

**Hillel Community Day School:** Middle School Curriculum, \$30,000

**Hillside Children's Foundation:** Parents as Teachers: Supporting Care Providers, \$25,000

**Hoekelman Center, University of Rochester Department of Pediatrics:** The Joy of Literacy, \$22,752

**The Hub585:**

- Camp Hope, \$5,700
- Life Launch Program, \$40,000

**Jewish Community Center of Greater Rochester:** Maccabi Games, \$8,359<sup>Δ</sup>

**Jewish Family Service of Rochester:** Pencils & Paper, \$10,000\*\*

**Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester:** Israel Students Scholarships for Travel, \$25,000

**Joseph Avenue Arts and Culture Alliance:** Day of Life Camp, \$5,375\*

**Literacy Volunteers of Wayne County:** Transition to GED, \$3,500<sup>°</sup>

**Monroe Community College Foundation:** Healthy Hero Summer Camp, 24,860<sup>Δ</sup>

**Monroe Milers:** Running Program, \$5,865\*

**Nazareth University:** Global Citizenship Conference and Training, \$1,400

**New York Kitchen:** Junior Chef Initiative, \$5,000\*

**New York Stage Network for Youth Success:** After-School and Summer Capacity-Building, \$10,000

**ORA Academy:** Support for Torah Education for Women, \$5,000

**Partners in Restorative Initiatives:** Training Youth, \$8,000\*\*

**Player 1 Academy:** Summer Enrichment Program, \$10,000

**PUSH Physical Theatre:** Artist in Residence at Villa of Hope, \$15,000\*\*

**Reach Out and Read:** Rx for Early Literacy Rochester, \$25,000

**The Research Foundation for SUNY:**

- Brockport Summer Learning, \$8,100\*\*
- Soaring Stars Program at SUNY Geneseo, \$20,000\*\*

**RMG Elites:** Youth Football and Cheer, \$10,000

**Roberts Wesleyan University:** Summer Camp, \$9,900\*

**Roc E6:** Increase Youth Sports Participation, \$25,000<sup>Δ</sup>

**Rochester Childfirst Network:** Family Child Care Satellites, \$30,000

**Rochester City Ballet:** Kids on the Move, \$6,500\*

**Rochester City School District:** Engineering/Optics Program, \$47,000

**Rochester Education Foundation:** Urban Education Fund, \$8,000

**Rochester Hearing & Speech Center:** Learning Through Language and Movement, \$20,000\*\*

**Rochester Regional Health:** Scrubs Club, \$12,711

**Rochester Rookies Wheelchair & Ambulatory Track & Field Program:** Adaptive Sports Program, \$10,000

**Rochester's Child:** Support for Early Childhood Efforts, \$37,171

**SewGreen@Rochester:** 2023 Internship Program, \$12,567\*

**Sodus Bay Junior Sailing Association:** Access for All Sailing Program, \$5,000<sup>°</sup>

**Spirit NYS:** Helping Homeless Students Graduate, \$10,000\*

**Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach:** Family Reunification Program, \$11,000\*\*

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

**Starbridge Services:** Family and Youth Education and Advocacy Services, \$5,000\*\*

**Third Presbyterian Church:** Great Schools for All, \$21,500

**Vertus Charter School:**

- Career Exploration for At-Risk Youth, \$10,000\*
- Services for Students with Learning Disabilities, \$9,000

**Wayne Action for Racial Equity:** Glow Up Girl Equestrian Camp, \$2,500

**Wayne County Action Program:**

- Resiliency and Equity Developed Through Sports, \$25,000<sup>Δ</sup>
- Wayne Arts for All, \$5,000

**Wilson Commencement Park at PathStone:** Youth Program, \$10,000\*

**Writers & Books:** Junior Apprenticeship Opportunity, \$6,450\*\*

**Yates Cultural & Recreational Resources:** Raise the State of Play, \$25,000<sup>Δ</sup>

**Young Women's College Prep Foundation:** uAspire Advising Program, \$4,750\*

## Fostering Racial and Ethnic Understanding and Equity

**\$161,000**

*Creating community awareness of racial and ethnic inequities and building sustained, community-based collaborative initiatives that remediate and prevent such inequities.*

**540WMain:** Support for Programming to Dismantle Racism, \$50,000

**Center for Teen Empowerment:** Neighborhood-Based Youth Organizing, \$60,000

**PathStone Foundation:** Video Modules for Antiracist Curriculum Project, \$51,000

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## Partnering Against Poverty

**\$513,378**

*Creating community awareness and understanding and encouraging collaborative efforts to increase prosperity and reduce the effects of poverty. The total includes grants for Holiday Toys and Summer Mini Meals (at right), as well as Wayne County food pantries (page 6).*

**Bishop Sheen Ecumenical Housing Foundation:** Healthy Homes for Very Low-Income Seniors, \$7,500\*

**Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes:** Community Clothing Center, \$5,000°

**City Roots Community Land Trust:** Transforming Derelict Properties, \$50,000

**Community Action of Orleans and Genesee:** Financial Assistance Grant Program, \$15,000

**Community Food Cupboard of Rochester:** Replenish Food Supply, \$2,500

**Community Resource Collaborative:** Imprinting Lives, \$10,000

**Empire Justice Center:** C.A.S.H. Program's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, \$75,000

**Family Promise of Greater Rochester:** Financial Assistance Grant Program, \$4,500

**Foodlink:** Summer Meals Ambassadors Project, \$1,600

**Goodwill of the Finger Lakes:** Community Connections Desk Pilot Project, \$74,000

**Greater Rochester Enterprise Foundation:** 2023 Economic Gardening, \$40,000

**Ibero-American Action League:** Operational Support, \$150,000

**Keuka Housing Council:** Hope Center (Phase 2), \$13,100

**North Rose United Methodist Church:** Food Pantry, \$2,500°

**The Salvation Army:** Assistance with Affordable Housing Application Fees for Shelter Residents, \$3,778

**Survivor Advocacy Center of the Finger Lakes:** Financial Assistance Grant Program, \$17,000

**Wayne County Rural Ministry Community Center:** Heat and Rental Assistance, \$5,000°

## STRENGTHENING REGIONAL VITALITY

**\$1,982,563**

## Supporting Arts and Culture

**\$813,369**

*Encouraging vibrant and diverse arts and cultural offerings and improving the capacity of local arts organizations. Total also includes grants from the New York State Council on the Arts (page 7).*

**BioDance:** Taking New Dance Works Into the Community, \$5,000

**Blackfriars Theatre:** "Once On This Island" Creative Collaboration, \$5,000

**Center for Teen Empowerment:** Clarissa Uprooted's Pythodd Tribute Mural, \$5,000

**The Center for Youth:** Strings for Success, \$5,000

**DEEP Arts:** Finding Home, \$5,000

**The Dove Block Project:** Educate Community on Arthur Dove's Connection to the Finger Lakes, \$5,000

**Finger Lakes Opera:** Two Corners Workshop Support, \$10,000

**fivebyfive:** Eclipse Project, \$4,500

**Flower City Arts Center:** Youth Photography and Writing Program, \$12,000\*\*

**Friendly Senior Living:** Music Matters: Music Therapy, \$5,000

**Garth Fagan Dance:**

- Summer Movement Institute, \$15,000\*\*
- Introduction to StageCraft Careers Training, \$5,000

**Gateways Music Festival:** 2023 Festival Includes Performances in Rochester, New York City, and Chicago, \$50,000

## Holiday Toys

**\$6,600**

*Since 1999, 298 grants totaling more than \$155,000 have been distributed from the **Hubertus and Helmi Behrla Endowment Fund** to nonprofits in our region to help make the holidays brighter for children they serve. The following organizations each received grants of \$825 for the 2022 holidays:*

**Ark of The Covenant Church of God By Faith**

**Boys & Girls Clubs of Rochester**

**Champions of Change**

**The Hub585**

**Roc Royal Foundation**

**Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach**

**Trinity Inter-Faith Church**

**Wayne Arc**

## Summer Meals Mini-Grants

**\$18,000**

*This capacity-building grant program seeks to increase the number of children and youth in the City of Rochester receiving summer meals and the number of days meals are served.*

**441 Ministries:** Kids Camp Summer Meals Program, \$1,211

**Agape Haven of Abundance:** Summer Enrichment Program, \$1,500

**Ark of The Covenant Church of God By Faith:** Summer Meals Program, \$1,250

**Dreamteam Universal LLC:** Feed the Dreamers, \$5,000

**Kreative Kids Zone Childcare Center:** Breakfast & Lunch Program, \$2,500

**Research Foundation for SUNY Brockport:** Summer Learning, \$2,500

**Roc Royal Foundation:** DREAM 585 Youth Summer Program, \$1,500

**Salvation Army Rochester:** Summer Adventure Program, \$1,250

**YMCA of Greater Rochester:** Meal Delivery, \$2,189

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**Genesee-Orleans Regional Arts Council:** Explore Art!, \$5,000

**Genesee Valley Council on the Arts:** Creative Artists Migrant Program Services, \$5,000

**Geneva Music Festival:**

- Website Redesign and Implementation, \$5,000
- 2023 Festival, \$7,500

**George Eastman Museum:** The Art of Movie Music, \$5,000

**Greece Community Broadcasting:** Jazz 90.1 FM Cultural Programming, \$5,000

**Grupo Cultural Latinos En Rochester:** Los Del Mambo, \$5,000

**The Hochstein School:** Making Music, Making Strides, \$5,000

**Livingston County Historical Society:** Anti-Slavery Society Digital Display, \$5,000

**Louisville Visual Arts Association:** Constance Mitchell, Minister Franklin Florence and Malcolm X Mural at East High, \$5,000

**Magical Journey Thru Stages:** Summer Youth Theatre Programs, \$5,000

**Main Street Arts:** Exhibition Programming, \$5,000

**Mary Cariola Children's Center:** Art Therapy, \$5,000

**Pegasus Early Music:** Old and New: Collaboration with fivebyfive, \$5,000

**Pennsylvania Yankee Theatre Company:** Youth Summer Camp in Penn Yan, \$5,000

**Publick Musick:** Professional Period-Instrument Concerts, \$4,000

**PUSH Physical Theatre:** FLUSH: Your Future Self Will Thank You, \$8,000

**Rochester City Ballet:** Emerging Choreographers' Initiative, \$7,000

**Rochester Fringe Festival:** 2023 Festival, \$50,000

**Rochester International Jazz Festival:** 2022 Jazz Street Stage Sponsorship, \$30,000

**Rochester Oratorio Society:** Arts Connexions, \$7,200

**Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra:**

- 2022-23 Education Programming, \$5,000
- 2022 Access to Educational Programming, \$20,000\*\*

**Smith Center for the Arts:** Establishing Streaming Capacity, \$5,000

**Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach:** Family Reunification: Arts & Nature Project, \$5,000

**St. Peter's Community Arts Academy:** Success of the Next Generation, \$13,650\*\*

**The Strong:** 2022 Juneteenth Activities and Support for Free Admission, \$12,500

**Student Arts Foundation:** Access to the Arts, \$5,000

**Timothy M. Draper Center for Dance Education:** Ballet Jump-Start!, \$5,000

**Vertus Charter School:** Music Education, \$9,000

**Village of Brockport:** "Macbeth" at the Morgan-Manning House, \$5,000

**Visual Studies Workshop:**

- Pressure Gradient, \$15,000
- ROC Arts United Rochester Arts Convenings, \$1,869

## Preserving Historical Assets

**\$226,860**

*Preserving our region's rich historical assets and promoting educational efforts that build on these assets.*

**540WMain:** Gentrification Conference 2023, \$15,000

**Brockport First Baptist Church:** Repair of Stained Glass, \$5,000

**Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association:** Underwater Shipwreck Preserve on Canandaigua Lake, \$10,000

**The Center for Youth:** Bridge to Peace — a Historical Site, \$15,000

**The Cobblestone Society:** Building Restoration and Electrical Upgrades, \$12,000

**The Dove Block Project:** Building an Arts Center, \$10,000

## Wayne County Food Pantries \$11,400

*With support from the **Bullis Fund**, the **Wayne County Community Endowment** awarded grants to food pantry programs, with more money going to those located in areas with poverty rates higher than 15 percent. The following food-distribution programs received grants of \$1,425:*

**Clyde United Methodist Church Food Pantry**

**Cougar Cupboard in Wolcott**

**Daily Bread Food Pantry in Williamson**

**Macedon Center United Methodist Church Food Pantry**

**Newark Food Closet**

**Palmyra-Macedon Food Pantry**

**Sodus Point United Methodist Church Food Pantry**

**Wayne County Action Program Success Center in Sodus**

**Friends of Ganondagan:** Haudenosaunee Traditions, \$13,008

**Friends of Parrott Hall:** Restoration of Historic Building in Geneva, \$10,000

**Galen Historical Society:** Technology and Building Improvements, \$2,500°

**George Eastman Museum:** Transforming Our Visitors' Experience Phase II, \$15,000

**Harriet Tubman Bicentennial Committee:** Research on African Americans' Contributions, \$10,000

**Joseph Avenue Arts and Culture Alliance:** Stained Glass Windows, \$15,000

**Landmark Society of Western New York:**

- Landmark Society/Rochester Historical Society Collection Assessment, \$19,912
- Window Workforce Pilot Training Program, \$20,000

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## New York State Council on the Arts Regranting:

**\$296,150**

*In Spring 2022, New York State Council on the Arts awarded a grant to Rochester Area Community Foundation Initiatives to distribute one-time grants for arts projects by nonprofit and public organizations in the Foundation's eight-county region.*

*Grants to 61 organizations were intended to increase audience reach, organizational capacity, and equitable access to program support. At NYSCA's request, funding was set aside for a report on the creative economy in upstate New York. Compiled by the Center for an Urban Future, find it at [racf.org/reports](http://racf.org/reports). All grants were \$5,000 unless noted below.*

**540WMain:** Anna Murray Douglass and Rosetta Douglass Public Mural

**Agape Haven of Abundance:** Urban Youth Empowerment Program

**Cheshire Community Action Team:** Summer Arts

**City Roots Community Land Trust:** Art on the Avenue

**Community Resource Collaborative:** HEAL Project

**Cornell Cooperative Extension-Yates:** 4-H Fine Arts and Crafts Project Kits for Youth and Families

**Educational Success Foundation:** Our Voices Mural Project

**EnCompass:** Resources for Learning: Summer of the Arts

**EZ Kids Creativity Shell:** Sewing/Textile Arts Education for Mental Health

**Finger Lakes Area Counseling and Recovery:** Exploring Cultures Through Art

**Finger Lakes Community Band:** Working with an Underserved Community, \$2,600

**First Universalist Society of Rochester:** Honorarium for Musicians Performing at Washington Square Concerts

**Friends of the Three Bears:** Cultural Community Connections

**Genesee Valley Orchestra and Chorus:** Honoring Florence Price, Nathaniel Dett, and Margaret Bonds Through Music and Community

**GiGi's Playhouse:** Music in Motion

**Greentopia:** The Symbol

**Hinge Neighbors:** Composers Crossing 2.0

**Ibero-American Action League:** Día Dominicano at the International Plaza

**Irondequoit Community Orchestra:** Amplifying Local Voices

**Isaiah House:** Flower City Arts Documentary "Terminal"

**Jazz 90.1 FM/Greece Community Broadcasting:** Community Concert Series

**Jewish Family Service of Rochester, Inc.:** Pencils & Paper Program

**Kids That Roc:** GENERATION Z

**Linwood:** "Macbeth" at Linwood Gardens, \$4,000

**Literacy Volunteers of Wayne County:** Literacy Through the Arts

**Lyons Community Center:** The Youth Art Council

**M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence:** Mural Restoration

**Madrigalia:** 2022-23 Season Programming

**Mary Cariola Children's Center:** Creative Arts Therapy

**Mentors Inspiring Boys & Girls:** Breaking the School-to-Prison Pipeline Stage Play

**Metro Council for Teen Potential:** Mighty Liberators

**Monroe County Family Coalition:** L.O.V.E. is the Answer Mural Arts Project, \$2,600

**Nativity Preparatory Academy of Rochester:** Student Art Lessons with Flower City Arts Center

**New York Kitchen:** Tasteful Creations

**New York State Network for Youth Success:** Opening the Door to the Arts for High-Needs Rural Children

**Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension:** 4-H Family and Consumer Sciences Identity and Belonging Fashion Project, \$2,500

**Our Lady of Mercy School for Young Women:** Children's Theatre

**Puerto Rican Festival:** Support for the Annual Festival

**Rainbow Junction, Ltd:** Updated and Specialized Art Supplies

**Roc Royal Foundation:** 585 DREAM After-School Arts and Entertainment Program

**Rochester Academy Charter School:** STEAM Family Nights and School Assemblies

**Rochester Childfirst Network:** Summer Adventures 2022

**Rochester Community Players:** Shakespear's "Antony and Cleopatra" at the Highland Bowl in Summer 2022

**Rochester Institute of Technology:** Planning Meeting for Deaf/Blind Children's Play

**St. Michael's Woodshop:** Summer Program 2022

**St. Peter's Community Arts Academy:** The Success of the Next Generation ... A Community Partnership

**Saunders Finger Lakes Museum:** Mural Project

**Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion State Historic Park:** Community Conversation Programs

**South Wedge Planning Committee:** Arts in the Market

**Southwest Area Neighborhood Association:** Concerts & Crafts at Montgomery Neighborhood Center, \$4,830

**Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach:** Family Reunification: Arts & Nature Project

**Student Arts Foundation:** Arts Day

**Swillburg Neighborhood Association:** Life and Legacy of Blanche Calloway

**Trillium Health:** MOCHA Center Power Mural

**United Youth Music and Arts:** Drumline and Martial Arts

**Veterans Outreach Center:** Artistic Expressions From Those Who Have Served Our Nation

**Villa of Hope:** Arts Reaching and Teaching

**Wayne Action for Racial Equity:** Artists as Historians — Empowering Wayne County Youth to Overcome the Whitewashing of Local History

**Wayne County Action Program:** Opening the Door to the Arts for High-Needs Rural Children

**Wayne County Historical Society:** Wayne County Memories Book

**YWCA-Rochester & Monroe County:** Activists and Allies, \$4,620

**Pennsylvania Yankee Theatre Company:** Renovation of Sampson Theatre in Penn Yan, \$19,440

**St. John's Episcopal Church Canandaigua:** Bell Tower Restoration and Stabilization, \$15,000

**University of Rochester, River Campus Libraries, and Memorial Art Gallery:** Archiving the Black Lives Matter Movement, \$20,000

## Advancing Environmental Justice and Sustainability

**\$186,080**

*Addressing the threats of climate change, prompting individual and collective action, and ensuring that everyone in greater Rochester has equitable access to an inclusive green economy.*

**Climate Solutions Accelerator of the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region:** 2023 Climate-Focused Collective Impact, \$70,000

**National Audubon Society:** Youth Leadership Program, \$2,500<sup>o</sup>

**Rochester ENergy Efficiency and Weatherization:** Support for Collective Impact Partnerships, \$73,000

**Taproot Collective:** Strengthening Our Roots, \$40,580

## Promoting Successful Aging

**\$756,254**

*Fostering successful aging by helping to create more age-friendly communities.*

**Catholic Charities Family and Community Services:** Lifespan's Gerontology Certificate Program, \$1,199

**Catholic Charities of Buffalo:** Home Visitation Program, \$65,000<sup>o</sup>

**Community Action of Orleans and Genesee:** Door Through Door Transportation, \$133,166

**Genesee County Office for the Aging:**

- Centralized Intake, \$88,000<sup>o</sup>
- Marketing Coordination, \$16,225<sup>o</sup>
- Got Groceries? Program, \$14,464<sup>o</sup>

**Genesee Senior Foundation:** Recreation Mini-Grant Program, \$5,000<sup>o</sup>

**Greater Rochester Area Partnership for the Elderly:** ElderPages Directory, \$8,000\*

**JustCause:** Helping Elders Law Project, \$10,000\*

**Lifespan of Greater Rochester:**

- Financial Management Volunteer Assistance Program, \$45,000<sup>o</sup>
- Healthcare Coordination for Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities, \$60,000

**Monroe County Aging Alliance:** Operating Support, \$95,000

**PathStone Corp.:** Genesee County Handyman Program, \$72,000<sup>o</sup>

**Richmond Memorial Library:** Library Visits Program, \$60,000<sup>o</sup>

**T. Franklin Williams, MD Foundation:** Enhancing Resident Independence and Connectivity, \$7,200\*

**United Way of Greater Rochester and the Finger Lakes:** Aging Alliance/Livable Community Initiative, \$76,000

## Broadly Aligned Strategic Grants

**\$214,312**

*Supporting positive, enduring change through information-sharing, asset-building, and leadership.*

**ACT Rochester:** Support for Community Indicators Project, \$202,612

**Center for Governmental Research:** Latino Community Profile, \$11,700

## Other Regional Grants

**\$169,750**

*Supporting a wide array of interests throughout our eight-county region. Includes grants awarded through the **Bullis Fund**, one of our geographic affiliates. Total also includes hospice grants from the **Joseph E. Brown Fund** (listed in breakout on next page).*

**Causewave Community Partners:** Capacity Building, \$3,000<sup>oo</sup>

**Cracker Box Palace:**

- Animal Shelter and Historic Farm, \$10,000
- Strengthening our Community Farm, \$2,250<sup>o</sup>

**Heritage Christian Services:** Springdale Farm Animal Care, \$5,000

**Historic Palmyra:** Windows and Painting for the Erie Canal Depot, \$25,000<sup>oo</sup>

**Humane Society of Greater Rochester:** Farm Animal Rescue and Adoption Program, \$5,000

**Lifespan of Greater Rochester:** Living Healthy with Diabetes for Older Adults and Caregivers, \$10,000

**Macedon Historical Society:** Quaker Meeting House/Grange Preservation, \$25,000<sup>oo</sup>

**New York State Network for Youth Success:** Finger Lakes Community Schools Videography Trip, \$5,000

**Palmyra Community Center:** Facilities and Fitness Center Equipment Upgrade, \$40,000<sup>oo</sup>

**Rochester Museum & Science Center:** Sensory Sunday, \$10,000

**Research Foundation for SUNY Brockport:** Camp Abilities Brockport, \$10,000

**University of Rochester:** Elucidating the Role of Innate T Cells, \$7,500

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## Giving Circle Grants

**\$241,250**

The giving circles at Rochester Area Community Foundation provide an introduction to philanthropy for their more than 300 members. Each giving circle has its own mission. Members contribute annually to the giving circle's fund and, in most cases, they vote on grants vetted and recommended by other members or a grant review committee. Get more information on these dynamic groups of donors at [www.racf.org/GivingCircles](http://www.racf.org/GivingCircles).

## African-American Giving Initiative, \$9,000

**The Commissary Fund:** Everybody Is Somebody Project, \$2,500

**Interdenominational Health Ministry Coalition:** Community Counseling Circle, \$4,000

**Raising the Barcode:** College 101 for Students & Families, \$2,500

## LGBT+ Giving Circle, \$38,000

**Blackfriars Theatre:** Brightness of Leonard Pelkey, \$2,000

**BOA Editions:** Transitory by Subhaga Crystal Bacon, \$2,400

**The Center for Youth:** LGBTQ and Trafficked Homeless Youth Independent Living Program, \$3,000

**Center for Teen Empowerment:** Youth Peace Initiatives, \$3,000

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# Giving Together for Impact

Generous donors made it possible for the Community Foundation to distribute grants and scholarships totaling \$39.2 million between April 1, 2022, and March 31, 2023. In the pages that follow, you'll find only the new funds established during that time, as well as those that converted to Forever Funds.

Fund balances are current as of March 31, 2023. At the request of some donors, fund names and/or balances are omitted.

## FUNDS THAT SUPPORT CHANGING NEEDS

### Forever Funds

*These funds support the community and the Community Foundation's role as a catalyst for positive, enduring change. The flexibility of Forever Funds provides an effective means to match donor generosity with the dynamic nature of our region's ever-changing needs.*

**Shirley A. King Pay It Forward Fund, 2022:** A single mom, who relocated to Rochester because of its livability, created this fund to give back to the community that has given so much to her.

**Ann M. Mayer Fund, 2022:** A bequest from a retired Churchville-Chili Central School District elementary school teacher and librarian and co-author of nonfiction children's books, established this fund to support the community. \$67,403

**Nathan Robfogel Discretionary Fund, 2022:** A Community Foundation founding board member used proceeds from an insurance policy to create this fund to support the changing needs of the community. \$55,169

**John B. Rumsey, 2023:** A longtime journalist for Rochester's former *Times-Union* requested that this advised fund convert to one that will support the ever-changing needs of our community forever. \$88,591

## FUNDS THAT SUPPORT BROAD CAUSES

*People who have a passion for making a difference in broad or specific areas of interest know they can rely on the Community Foundation's expertise to evaluate and select appropriate local nonprofit organizations to receive grants from their funds.*

### Field of Interest Funds

*This type of fund ensures permanent support for a donor's favorite charitable interests.*

**Joan and Harold Feinbloom Fund, 2022:** A local family converted a supporting foundation to this type of fund to carry on its philanthropic legacy by supporting youth and families, including arts and culture programming and violence prevention initiatives. \$5,734,991

**Latino Giving Circle Fund, 2022:** Created by community members, this fund for annual giving and endowment will provide support for nonprofit organizations addressing ongoing issues important to the Latino community. \$25,724

### Scholarship Funds

*These new funds and existing scholarship funds help students pursuing college, trade school, advanced degrees, or special enrichment opportunities. Check out more at [racf.org/Scholarships](http://racf.org/Scholarships).*

**Savin Engineers, P.C. Scholarship Fund, 2022:** This Westchester County-based firm, which is administering Phase II of the Rochester City School District's school modernization project, established this fund to support RCSD graduates pursuing college degrees. \$102,700

**Chuck Tuttle Scholarship Fund, 2022:** A bequest from a retired Rochester City School District science teacher established this fund to assist motivated students who have financial need and plan to attend the State University of New York at Brockport for an associate's or bachelor's degree. \$235,916

### RACF Initiatives

*Rochester Area Community Foundation Initiatives, Inc., is a separately incorporated nonprofit organization affiliated with the Community Foundation. Established in 2001, it provides fiscal and program sponsorship for charitable projects that further the purposes of the Foundation, benefit the local community, and meet certain application criteria.*

**Aging Alliance Initiative Fund, 2022:** Supports a joint initiative of Rochester Area Community Foundation and United Way of Greater Rochester and the Finger Lakes that provides guidance and focus to promote the value and well-being of older adults.

**NYSCA Regrant Fund, 2022:** Supports a partnership with New York State Council on the Arts to award one-time grants for art projects to increase audience reach, organizational capacity, or equitable access to program support. (*List of grantees on page 7*)

## FUNDS THAT SUPPORT SPECIFIC CHARITIES

### Designated Funds

*Individuals or organizations created these funds to benefit specific charitable organizations. The Community Foundation ensures that these funds continue to be useful through the years. Typically, grants are distributed annually to the named organization(s).*

**Fred C. Beyer Memorial Scholarship Fund, 2023:** This fund was established to honor a father's lifelong commitment to public education and educational leadership. Benefits students at the Fred C. Beyer High School in Modesto, CA. \$68,698



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**John and Carol Condemni Fund, 2022:** A donor-advised fund established by a local doctor who made advancements in allergies, asthma, immunology, and rheumatology, converted at his death to one that will provide ongoing support for Geva Theatre Center. \$50,815

**Laurel Gibbs Memorial Fund, 2022:** A bequest from a retired nurse established this fund to support Blue Star Mothers of America, Victor Farmington Library, Finger Lakes Land Trust, and The Friends of Ganondagan. \$1,313,697

**The James Vernard Leenhouts Memorial Scholarship Fund, 2022:** Established by the family of a young man who was tragically killed by a drunk driver in 1968, this fund provides aid to graduates of Marion Jr.-Senior High School in Wayne County who plan to attend a two- or four-year college or trade school.

**McMath Family Fund, 2022:** A bequest from a former Community Foundation board member, who also assisted early organizers of the Yates Community Endowment, established this fund to annually support the Blessed Sacrament Church Supper Program and the Foundation's general endowment. \$66,299

**Pat and Tom Mitchell Fund, 2022:** A Webster couple established this endowed fund to provide ongoing support to the Center for Youth, St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center, and University of Rochester Golisano's Children's Hospital. \$24,847

## Organization Endowment

*Nonprofit organizations that place their endowments with the Community Foundation enjoy permanent stewardship, access to planned giving tools, and the benefit of participating in a multimillion-dollar investment pool.*

**Brighter Futures Endowment Supporting The Children's Agenda, 2023:** This fund supports efforts to advocate for effective policies and drive evidenced-based solutions for the health, education, and success of children. \$50,178

## Community Place of Greater Rochester

- **Board-Designated Fund, 2022:** Supports the operations of a neighborhood-based community center serving northeast Rochester.

- **Reserve Fund, 2022:** Provides for long-term financial needs of this organization.

**The Mark Cuddy Fund for Artistic Excellence, 2022:** Geva Theatre Center established this fund to honor the legacy of its 27-year artistic director. \$51,074

**The Henderson Harrison and Alston Foundation Fund, 2022:** The roots of the Henderson Foundation began in the early 2000s as a way to pool contributions from local African American-owned automobile dealers to help youth and faith-based causes. This effort is being continued by the Henderson, Harrison, and Alston families to support and address needs in the community.

**Livingston County Cares Endowment Fund, 2022:** This organization endowment fund supports local, national, and international humanitarian projects, including disaster relief and recovery efforts.

## Rochester Education Foundation

- **Edward Wilson Scholarship Fund, 2022:** This fund was created to honor the memory of a beloved Rochester City School District social studies and history teacher who served for more than 30 years.
- **Peg Witmer Memorial Fund, 2022:** This fund supports programs and initiatives at Rochester's School 4 in memory of a longtime teacher who worked there.

## Advised Funds

*Individuals, families, and businesses may recommend grants from their funds to nonprofit organizations in our eight-county region and beyond. The Community Foundation provides grant suggestions, information on community needs, administration, and investment management.*

**Jeff Alicandro Memorial Fund, 2022:** Established by the family of a dedicated and beloved agriculturist who worked hard to support educational opportunities for young adults interested in life sciences.

**Clairebear Fund, 2022:** An Ontario County family established this fund in memory of their four-year-old daughter to help parents with sick children who are far from home.

**Karen M. Duguid, MD and Wallace E. Johnson, MD Fund, 2022:** A local couple created this fund to further their philanthropic interests, particularly to support those from the Greater Rochester region who are ill, elderly, disabled, or destitute.

**Florence Fund, 2022:** Longtime Monroe County Family Court Judge Joan Kohout established this fund, named for her mother, to advance her philanthropic goals.

**Handy Charitable Fund, 2022:** A Pittsford couple's bequest established this endowed donor-advised fund for their son and daughter to continue the family's charitable giving by supporting the areas of health, education and youth, historic preservation, the arts, and Monroe County. \$1,183,974

**Max Kamin-Cross Positive Social Action Fund, 2022:** This fund was established through the contributions of many to honor a local advocate who was passionate about positive change and social justice.

**Gian Xavier Ortiz Memorial Fund, 2022:** Established by Gian's parents, Denishea and Orlando, and his brother, Esaias, this fund honors the life of a graduate of the Golisano Children's Hospital NICU and a resilient two-year-old who developed an admiration for books, "folding" bibs, and playing cars. The fund will support education and special health care initiatives for City of Rochester children. \$25,889

**Bruce Popper Memorial Fund, 2022:** Friends and colleagues of a local labor leader established this fund to honor him and his contributions to our community. \$17,065

**Rochester Downtown Vitality Fund, 2022:** Established by Rochester Downtown Development Corporation to honor longtime leader Heidi Zimmer-Meyer, this fund will support initiatives within the future Business Improvement District boundaries.

**Louise and Bob Slaughter Fund, 2022:** The family of the Rochester area's longtime U.S. Congressional representative and her husband created this fund to honor Louise and Bob's service and dedication to the community. \$248,540

**Simmons Family Fund, 2022:** An Ontario County family established this fund to help fulfill their philanthropic goals locally and their interest in historical and land conservation and preservation.