2024
Community Impact Grants

The Community Foundation is dedicated to supporting central Virginia's programmatic and systems improvement needs. The following local nonprofits have strategies and outcomes that align with our goals in four focus areas: Community Vibrancy, Economic Prosperity, Educational Success, and Health & Wellness.

COMMUNITY VIBRANCY

The Community Foundation supports organizations that enrich and educate area residents through a diverse offering of arts and cultural activities, and those that preserve our historic, cultural and natural assets for current and future generations.

Afrikana Institute - $20,000
To provide youth with access to BIPOC artists and their cinematic works.

ART 180 - $45,000
To provide youth with opportunities to create and showcase their art.

Beyond Boundaries - $15,000
To support the Outdoor Adventures program for people with disabilities and youth from historically marginalized communities.

Black History Museum & Cultural Center of Virginia - $45,000
To preserve and present Virginia's Black history and its impact in our communities today.

Blue Sky Fund - $25,000
To support the Explorers program for RPS Title I elementary students.

Cadence Theatre Company - $15,000
To support the STAGE WRITE program for RPS high school students.

CultureWorks - $40,000
To provide operating support.

The Happily Natural Day - $25,000
To support the Broad Rock Youth Farm.

The Hive - $25,000
To provide operating support, which helps keep youth and young adults out of the legal system and on the path to autonomy and economic mobility.

James River Association - $20,000
To provide operating support.

Just C - $15,000
To support college tours and other experiences for East End youth beyond their own neighborhoods.

Lamb Institute for Arts and Healing - $15,000
To support the Creative Change Makers teen leadership and workforce program, focused on change in Hopewell.

Leadership Metro Richmond - $15,000
To support Board Engagement programs.

Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden - $25,000
To develop a framework for workforce development opportunities at the garden, with emphasis on students from diverse backgrounds.

Library of Virginia Foundation - $20,000
To support the "House to Highway" Exhibition, illuminating the restorative justice movement in Jackson Ward and other Black communities in America.

Maymont Foundation - $20,000
To support environmental education for K-12 students, with emphasis on Title I schools.

Oakwood Arts - $40,000
To support creatives of color pursuing careers in the film and television industry.

Richmond Ballet - $20,000
To support the Minds In Motion program for RPS elementary school students.

Richmond Community ToolBank - $20,000
To provide skills and tools needed for home repair, with an emphasis on households 80-200% AMI.

Richmond Hill - $20,000
To support educational programming for The Dwelling of Enslaved Africans.

Robinson Theater Community Arts Center - $40,000
To support and expand Out-of-School Time programming and transportation for East End youth.

SPARC - $40,000
To provide diverse youth with platforms to create and showcase their art.

Sports Backers - $25,000
To support Bike Walk RVA as an advocate for safe, connected pedestrian/bicycle infrastructure.

The Valentine - $40,000
To support educational programs for students and teachers in the region.

Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities - $35,000
To provide operating support.

Virginia Repertory Theatre - $20,000
To provide Theatre Education, with an emphasis on Title I Schools.

Visual Arts Center of Richmond - $20,000
To provide art programs for students from historically marginalized communities.

ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

The Foundation supports opportunities for residents to access and maintain safe and affordable housing in thriving, sustainable communities, as well as opportunities to build the knowledge, skills and resources they need to attain financial independence and pursue career opportunities.

ACTS--Area Congregations Together in Service - $70,000
To prevent homelessness by providing financial assistance to households experiencing financial hardship.

Better Housing Coalition - $50,000
To support the Resident Services program for seniors and families.

Brightpoint Community College Foundation - $50,000
To support the Building Pathways to Healthcare Jobs initiative.

CARITAS - $50,000
To provide emergency shelter and recovery programming for single adults.

Central Virginia Legal Aid Society - $25,000
To support the Housing Outreach Attorney program and its work preventing eviction and foreclosures.

Commonwealth Catholic Charities - $50,000
To expand affordable housing services.

The Commonwealth Institute for Fiscal Analysis - $75,000
To provide economic mobility data to state decision makers and other stakeholders.

The Community Builders - $25,000
To support the Community Life program for seniors and families.

Cristo Rey Richmond - $25,000
To support Corporate Work Study Program, which prepares students from modest-income households for success in corporate work environments.

Enterprise Community Development - $25,000
To support the Housing-Based Services program for low-income seniors.

GoochlandCares - $30,000
To support critical home repair.

Groundwork RVA - $50,000
To help Black and Brown youth prepare to work within the environmental sector.

Habitat for Humanity Powhatan - $40,000
To support critical home repair, construction coordinators and the Rural Housing Workshop.

Hanover and King William Habitat for Humanity - $30,000
To support critical home repair.

HomeAgain - $50,000
To provide emergency shelter and housing-focused case management.

Homeward - $50,000
To provide operating support.

Housing Families First - $50,000
To provide emergency shelter and housing-focused case management.

Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia - $75,000
To support advocacy efforts for Fair Housing Enforcement and Eviction Prevention.

HousingForward Virginia - $25,000
To provide operating support.

HumanKind - $35,000
To support the Economic Resource Center, which provides affordable vehicle loans, financial education, and comprehensive case management.

J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Educational Foundation - $50,000
To support workforce development programming in skilled trades and healthcare.

Legal Aid Justice Center - $25,000
To support the Housing and Consumer Justice Program.

Liberation Veterans Services - $25,000
To support the Liberation Center serving the Midlothian Turnpike corridor.

Maggie Walker Community Land Trust - $50,000
To support home ownership opportunities for BIPOC residents and low- to medium-income households.

Mechanics of FAITH - $35,000
To stabilize transportation for low-income households through low-cost car repairs.

Neighborhood Resource Center - $50,000
To provide operating support.

OAR of Richmond - $30,000
To provide comprehensive re-entry services for individuals leaving incarceration.

Partnership for Housing Affordability - $114,000
To support the Policy Director and contract marketing support.

project:HOMES - $100,000
To support critical home repair.

The READ Center - $25,000
To serve the literacy needs of adult learners.

REAL LIFE - $30,000
To support the Employment Pathways program, which supports people transitioning from incarceration and/or recovering from substance abuse.

Rebuilding Together of Richmond - $50,000
To support critical home repair.

ReEstablish Richmond - $50,000
To support the needs of refugees and other international newcomers to Richmond.

ReWork Richmond - $25,000
To support living wage employment and thriving households in Richmond's East End.

Richmond Metropolitan Habitat for Humanity - $55,000
To support critical home repair.

RVA Rapid Transit - $50,000
To catalyze a robust public transportation system through stakeholder engagement and decision-maker education.

Sacred Heart Center - $75,000
To provide operating support.

The Salvation Army - $35,000
To support capacity building for the Center of Hope.

Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation - $35,000
To support the CEO transition and capacity building.

St. Joseph's Villa - $50,000
To support the Flagler Housing and Homeless Services program.

Startup Virginia - $25,000
To provide equitable and accessible support to entrepreneurs.

Urban Hope - $50,000
To provide operating support.

Virginia Community Voice - $75,000
To advance equitable community engagement.

Virginia Hispanic Foundation - $50,000
To support the Bilingual Workforce Development program.

Virginia Housing Alliance - $75,000
To provide operating support.

Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy - $25,000
To support a campaign to enable religious congregations to develop affordable housing on unused land.

Virginia Supportive Housing - $75,000
To reduce chronic homelessness through the provision of permanent supportive housing.

EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS

The Foundation seeks to ensure children enter school ready to learn and receive effective academic and social support throughout their educational experience, and youth are nurtured to become skilled, self-sufficient and contributing members of the community.

Autism Society Central Virginia - $25,000
To support accomodations for autistic youth with autism to engage in out-of-school programs.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Richmond - $40,000
To support college-and-career readiness programming for 6th-12th graders in Richmond and Petersburg.

Capaz+IT - $20,000
To support Newcomer Academy, which helps ESL and ELL students fulfill a high school diploma or GED.

Chesterfield Education Foundation - $40,000
To provide operating support.

Children's Home Society of Virginia - $25,000
To support advocacy efforts focused on improving systems that impact the lives of children in foster care.

Children's Museum of Richmond - $20,000
To support early childhood play-based initiatives.

Communities In Schools of Chesterfield - $65,000
To provide operating support.

Communities In Schools of Petersburg - $50,000
To provide operating support.

Communities In Schools of Richmond - $100,000
To provide operating support.

Family Lifeline - $100,000
To support home visiting services in Greater Richmond and Petersburg.

First Connections, Coalition For Early Success - $35,000
To support parent engagement and professional development opportunities for teachers at Westview Early Childhood Education Center in Petersburg.

FRIENDS Association for Children - $35,000
To support early childhood education programs at two locations.

Girls For a Change - $25,000
To provide career-and lifeireadiness programming for Black girls in high school.

Goochland Education Foundation - $10,000
To provide operating support.

GRASP (Great Aspirations Scholarship Program) - $25,000
To assist high school students navigate financial aid and scholarship opportunities.

Hanover Education Foundation - $10,000
To support classroom innovation grants.

Henrico Education Foundation - $25,000
To provide operating support.

Higher Achievement - $25,000
To provide after-school tutoring at two RPS middle schools.

NextUp RVA - $125,000
To support coordination of out-of-school time programming in RPS middle schools.

Partnership for the Future - $50,000
To prepare low-income and first-generation high school students for post-secondary educational opportunities.

Peter Paul Development Center - $50,000
To provide operating support.

Podium RVA - $25,000
To provide 6th-12th grade Richmond, Hopewell, and Petersburg public school students with literacy-based interventions and programming.

Pretty Purposed - $25,000
To build an advocacy network focused on improving systems that impact young women and girls.

Richmond Public Schools Education Foundation - $30,000
To provide operating support.

SOAR365 - $35,000
To support the Pediatric Therapy program.

St. James's Children's Center - $35,000
To support early childhood education programming.

Thrive Birth to Five - $125,000
To support regional, systems-level coordination and capacity-building of publicly funded early childhood care and education programs.

United Way of Greater Richmond & Petersburg - $50,000
To support the WomenRise program and other early childhood and kindergarten readiness initiatives.

Urban League of Richmond - $40,000
To provide tutoring for 3rd-12th graders in Petersburg City Public Schools.

Virginia Commonwealth University Foundation - $25,000
To support Engaging Parents in After-School STEAM Projects (EPASP) program.

Virginia Early Childhood Foundation - $100,000
To support state-level advocacy and policy initiatives for early childhood care and education programs.

Virginia Early Learning Partners (Henrico Education Foundation) - $25,000
To support the Early Educator Success Program, which targets the early childhood education career pipeline.

Virginia Literacy Foundation - $45,000
To support the ExCELL program supporting early literacy in Richmond Public Schools.

Voices for Virginia's Children - $75,000
To support state-level advocacy and policy initiatives to better support youth and their families.

YMCA of Greater Richmond - $75,000
To support early childhood education programming and before/after school care at Southside YMCA preschools.

YWCA of Richmond - $100,000
To support the Sprout School program across five locations.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

The Foundation seeks to ensure residents have access to comprehensive and coordinated preventative services, quality health care, and the resources that meet their health, nutritional and safety needs.

Assisting Families of Inmates - $25,000
To provide meaningful visitation, family support and children's services for families of the incarcerated.

Birth in Color RVA Foundation - $35,000
To provide operating support.

Capital Center of Virginia /dba/Urban Baby Beginnings - $35,000
To expand navigation, Doula support, and home visiting services.

Central Virginia Health Services - $25,000
To support Peterburg's substance abuse disorder peer recovery program.

Chesterfield Food Bank Outreach Center - $30,000
To provide operating support.

ChildSavers - $75,000
To provide operating support.

Colonial Heights Food Pantry - $20,000
To provide operating support.

Conexus - $25,000
To support vision screenings for students at Title I schools in the region.

Diversity Richmond - $20,000
To provide a voice, programs and resources for the LGBTQ+ community of Greater Richmond.

Feed More - $40,000
To provide operating support.

Greater Richmond Fit4Kids - $30,000
To provide operating support.

Greater Richmond SCAN (Stop Child Abuse Now) - $75,000
To support the region's trauma-based network.

He She Ze and We - $30,000
To empower communities to create inclusive, life-saving spaces for transgender and nonbinary people.

Henrico Community Food Bank - $30,000
To provide operating support.

James House - $30,000
To support adults and children in the Tri-Cities Region impacted by interpersonal violence and trauma.

La Casa de la Salud - $30,000
To support Community Health Workers in facilitating access to resources for the Hispanic community.

Latinos in Virginia Empowerment Center - $30,000
To provide a culturally appropriate mental health program for Spanish-speaking victims.

Positiveage - $20,000
To support coalitions and innovative solutions that promote positive aging.

Richmond and Henrico Health District - $100,000
To support Community Health Workers serving the Fairfield and Southwood communities.

Senior Connections, CAAA - $25,000
To support an outreach and education campaign to increase older adult enrollment in safety net benefits.

Shalom Farms - $30,000
To provide operating support.

The Society of St. Andrew - $15,000
To support the Virginia Gleaning Network program serving food insecure individuals and families.

Sportable - $20,000
To provide adaptive sports programs for children with disabilities in Hopewell and the Richmond Region.

Sylvia's Sisters - $20,000
To support distribution of free quality period products to low-income people who need them.

Virginia Home for Boys and Girls - $25,000
To provide trauma-Informed care for young adults, 18-25, who identify as LGBTQ+ in the Richmond region.

Waymakers Foundation - $30,000
To provide operating support.