

**FIRST QUARTER 2021 FUNDING CYCLE – 21ST CENTURY ENDOWMENT FUND
FOUNDATION FOR THE TRI-STATE COMMUNITY, INC.**

GHPRD.....West Virginia
.....**\$5,000.00**

Ritter Park Pickleball Courts

Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District converted two of the eleven existing tennis courts in Ritter Park into six pickleball courts. This project involved resurfacing and relining of the courts in addition to purchasing appropriate play equipment. The District has been approached by the pickleball community expressing the need to have their own space to play and not compete with tennis players. Pickleball is a fast growing sport in the area with approximately seventy five local residents playing regularly in Ritter Park. While pickleball is fun for all ages, it especially benefits senior citizen teams and promotes physical activity and social engagement for that demographic.

HERITAGE FARM FOUNDATION.....West Virginia
.....**\$5,000.00**

Appalachian Aviary

The Appalachian Aviary at Heritage Farm will be the only attraction of its kind in the Tri-State Area. The giant treehouse, designed to look like a birdhouse, will be filled with exciting educational exhibits about the birds of Appalachia attached to a walk through aviary filled with the live native avian inhabitants. This grant was used to complete the educational exhibits for the birdhouse classroom. A few examples of these exhibits included creating a life-sized eagle’s nest for guests to climb into, a mural for guests to see how their arms width compares to some of our area’s largest birds, a wall of birdsongs with pictures of native songbirds next to buttons to press to learn their calls, dioramas of common area bird nests and eggs, and a large bird feeding and housing station. This exhibit will specifically celebrate birds that are native to, or migrate through, Appalachia. Many of our area residents and school children around the region would not have the opportunity to be exposed to this knowledge as a hands-on learning opportunity or to travel to an exhibit such as this.

SAINT PETER’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.....West Virginia
.....**\$2,500.00**

Urban Garden Project

Saint Peter’s Urban Garden Project will be shared with the Huntington Addiction and Wellness Center. HAWC used a portion of the garden to grow food with residents going through the recovery process. A part of their mission is to not only provide recovery support, but to also help members after completion of the program with training and job placement. The garden expanded opportunities to members of HAWC for gardening and culinary skills along with the benefit of healthy eating. The other portion of the garden is operated by the Saint Peter’s Outreach Ministry and the On the Street Committee to grow and distribute the food to the community through the Blessing Box at the church site, weekly bag distributions, and by using fresh produce for weekly cooked meal distributions in the area. This grant was funded, in part, by the West Virginia Neighborhood Investment Program Fund

IRONTON IN BLOOM, INC.....Ohio
.....**\$5,000.00**

Storms Creek Accessibility Improvements

The City of Ironton’s Moltons Field Park has the ability to provide easy access to Storms Creek, a unique preserved creek with back water from the Ohio River and a forest area. This project improved access to the creek (including handicapped accessibility) for fishing, canoes, kayaks, and other small boats. This grant helped pay for the costs of seating, fencing, signage, handrails, and related improvements incorporated as part of this project. These improvements allowed for greater accessibility for all and assisted in the beautification of this area to make it more inviting for the community to enjoy.

**SECOND QUARTER 2021 FUNDING CYCLE – 21ST CENTURY ENDOWMENT FUND
FOUNDATION FOR THE TRI-STATE COMMUNITY, INC.**

CITY OF FLATWOODS.....Kentucky
.....**\$1,064.05**

Flatwoods Park Swing Replacement Project

The City of Flatwoods grant requested to replace a 1970s swing set used by young children accompanying pet owners at the dog park. This grant was used toward the construction of a swing set that is code compliant and will meet current safety standards. The addition of wheelchair-friendly swings made it handicap accessible. The safety and accessibility this new swing set provided is enriching for young children and provided peace of mind to parents who bring their children to the park, allowing children of all abilities to play together.

BOYD COUNTY SEARCH & RESCUE INC.....Kentucky
.....**\$4,414.20**

Search and Rescue Basic Medical and Safety Equipment

As an all-volunteer, non-funded organization, Boyd County Search and Rescue often relies on their own personal equipment or equipment borrowed from other agencies. This can lead to deficiencies that can compromise successful search and extraction or the safety of team members. The equipment purchased with this grant allowed KYEM standards of minimum equipment to be met. Meeting this standard will meet eligibility requirements that will allow for application for additional funds from KYEM through their SAR grant program. Equipment purchased from this grant, including a litter wheel and GPS units, and future funds this will allow them to apply for will be used to provide equipment to increase the safety of team members and search efficiency. This grant was funded, in part, by the Boyd County Fund.

ASPIRE CONSERVATORY OF FINE & PERFORMING ARTS.....Kentucky
.....**\$4,994.00**

Making Music Accessible for All Populations

This project equipped Aspire Conservatory with the instruments needed to provide quality classes and activities for people of all ages including people with disabilities. This provided a place for special populations in the Tri-State to come participate in beneficial music making activities without judgment. The portable nature of these instruments allowed them to be brought to residential facilities and provide activities or therapy. By developing these areas within Aspire Conservatory, doctors, therapists, counselors, psychiatrists, psychologists, agencies, and advocates will have a program

they can refer their clients to as part of their overall well-being. This grant was funded, in part, by the John R. and Donna S. Hall Fund

EBENEZER MEDICAL OUTREACH.....West Virginia
.....**\$4,881.00**

A New ECG for Huntington's Most Vulnerable

This project purchased a new ECG machine for Ebenezer Medical Outreach, the only free clinic for the uninsured in the Huntington area serving patients with incomes within 300 percent of the federal poverty level. This machine will be used for many years and will benefit thousands of patients over its lifespan. Detecting heart abnormalities and problems is a front-line healthcare service, and Ebenezer provides this in their clinic for any patient needing the test. This grant was funded, in part, by a grant from MVB Bank.

**THIRD QUARTER 2021 FUNDING CYCLE – 21ST CENTURY ENDOWMENT FUND
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THE OLDTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.....Kentucky
.....**\$4,350.00**

The Oldtown Fire Department Outdated Equipment Project

This project purchased airbags and other rescue equipment (Multi-Purpose Device) that was placed in a rescue apparatus to dramatically increase crew and civilian safety and provide a wide variety of benefits to the department. One of the most frequent causes of firefighter injuries is a collapse. The MPD (a mechanical device used in rope rescue operations) will save critical time and confusion, all the while reducing the need for additional manpower. The equipment purchased with this grant will help reduce the number of injuries (both crew and civilians), pain and suffering, cost of injury, and insurance costs. This grant was funded, in part, by the Putnam Agency Fund.

THE BIG IDEA CAMP, CORP.....Kentucky
.....**\$3,697.00**

The “We Love Local” Project

This new project is a unique way for local products (custom laser engraved) to be made by local people to support local programs. The Big Idea Camp is hiring workers through the Employment Initiative Program of The Neighborhood. This project will not only help financially sustain The Big Idea Camp’s Character Development program, but also provides a unique way for other local organizations to fundraise while supporting a local program to help hard-to-employ individuals in poverty as they receive soft skills training, financial counseling, and workforce experience.

KIWANIS DAY CARE CENTER.....West Virginia
.....**\$3,592.14**

Nursery Expansion

The current nursery has the space to provide care for eight children ranging in age from 6 weeks to 12 months. However, due to the number of weekly inquiries for infant care, there is a need to expand. Funds from this grant was used to purchase equipment to convert an unused classroom into a nursery space for eight additional infants. Along with opening the additional nursery space, in cooperation with River Valley Child Development, monthly education classes will be offered for new parents. This grant was funded, in part, by the West Virginia Neighborhood Investment Program Fund.

**ASHLAND-BOYD COUNTY-CATLETTSBURG OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT.....Kentucky
.....\$3,559.36**

Water/Flooding Rescue Equipment-Small Watercraft

The Office of Emergency Management serves in direct field response areas to include hazardous materials response, specialty rescue, flooding/water rescue, as well as off-road patient access response. This grant was used for the acquisition of one NRS R120 Water Rescue craft and associated specialized watercraft equipment for Emergency Management flooding/water rescue team utilization. This small rescue watercraft is needed to facilitate water rescues where a larger boat cannot be used, such as in flood conditions and small bodies of water like creeks and streams. This grant was funded, in part, by the Boyd County Fund.

**LILY’S PLACE.....West Virginia
.....\$5,000.00**

Security Camera Project

Security at Lily’s Place is crucial. The current cameras were old and unreliable. This has led to security issues in the past illustrating the possibility for danger without a better system in place. This grant was used for a new camera system to ensure all of the infants, families, volunteers, and staff are kept safe. This grant was funded, in part, by the West Virginia Neighborhood Investment Program Fund.

***DISTRIBUTION FROM THE MORNING HAS BROKEN FUND**

**ASHLAND AREA YMCAKentucky
.....\$5,000.00**

Building a Stronger Foundation In Education: Pre-school Play Groups

A Community Task Force has been assembled to form a multi-faceted education plan for students ages 3-18. This request was for materials for the pre-school groups. The goal is to have groups of ten students in each group on a scholarship. These groups will be started at the YMCA to address all skills needed to prepare students for success as they enter Kindergarten.

**FOURTH QUARTER 2021 FUNDING CYCLE – 21ST CENTURY ENDOWMENT FUND
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HOPE'S PLACE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER.....Kentucky
.....**\$4,500.00**

Darkness to Light

This project aims to provide training to 500 participants within the next year and to purchase 500 workbooks for a course for Darkness to Light, a program designed to educate adults on signs of child abuse. This course is free to adults ages 18 and over. This grant was funded, in part, by the Putnam Agency Fund.

SAFE HARBOR OF NORTHEAST KENTUCKY.....Kentucky
.....**\$3,000.00**

Safe Harbor Pet Kennel Program

Safe Harbor's new Pet Kennel program will help pay for veterinary bills for domestic violence survivors' pets. Offenders harm pets as a tactic of domestic violence-to hurt victims, to gain power and control, and to coerce victims to stay. Many shelters do not have the means to house animals and consequently many survivors stay in abusive homes. Safe Harbor's Pet Kennel program has been a tremendous asset to survivors, but also to their pets who need veterinary services such as shots, spay and neuter, and general healthcare. This grant was funded, in part, by the Boyd County Fund.

CITY OF RUSSELL.....Kentucky
.....**\$2,300.00**

Russell Fire Department Wildland Rescue Gear

This grant was used to purchase fire safety gear for the Russell Fire Department. The gear includes fire-retardant clothing that is worn while fighting fires, such as shirts, pants, and jackets. These pieces of clothing are vital to the safety of firefighters as it prevents them from sustaining severe burns while fighting fires.

KING'S DAUGHTERS HEALTH FOUNDATION.....Kentucky
.....**\$5,000.00**

A Picture Can Save a Life

The purpose of this project is to continue providing lifesaving breast cancer screening using a mobile mammography unit. It will serve an average of fourteen patients a day.

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MARSHALL UNIVERSITY RESEARCH CORPORATION, OBO ROBERT C. BYRD INSTITUTE.....West Virginia
.....**\$3,000.00**

Entry Accessibility Enhancements

This project will enhance accessibility to its Huntington headquarters at 1050 Fourth Avenue through replacing the entry's front step with a ramp, as well as the purchase of a new button-operated door. This will allow for safe, ease of access into the building for both mobility impaired individuals and the general public.

RENEWALL, INC.....West Virginia
.....**\$2,500.00**

Pride in Place: Stories of Central City: Oral History Project

The Central City Museum will create a place where the community can come together. The goal of this project is to build an audio-visual archive to compliment the artifacts from Central City's early history of manufacturing and industry. The materials included in the budget will emphasize appropriate preservation methods for each item in the collection. The new exhibit will allow visitors to push a button and hear a selection of the oral history collected.