

Neighbor Up COVID-19 Grants Report

Overview

Week	# Grants Made	\$ Amt. Granted
5/3 to 5/10	19	\$61,060

Grant Summaries

Location	Description	Amount
Broadway-Slavic Village Cleveland	The Empowered Learning Network* will provide weekly meals (every Friday) and resources to the senior residents at Harvard Village Apartments. The Senior Meals and Resource Program will consist of both meals, distribution of some basic non-perishable items and resource information to help take the seniors connected and help with providing them with a meal to increase their nutrient intake for those who might not eat adequately, and, as a way to help them remain healthy and independent during COVID-19 and beyond.. Hot or other appropriate meals will be delivered to each resident door (no contact) once a week for 12 weeks.	\$3000
Clark-Fulton/Brooklyn Centre Cleveland	Advocates for Peace and Change* , led by young adult refugees, will offer immediate assistance to many families in the refugee community that have been affected by the lockdown and Covid-19. Due to COVID-19 and the lockdown, many refugee families have either lost their jobs or have suffered from a reduction in working hours. Families are struggling to keep up with their rent, groceries, and utility payment which has caused fear of debt in many refugee families. Their goal is at least help 50+ families who are in a deep financial hole due to the lockdown.	\$3500
Hough/St. Clair-Superior Cleveland, OH	The Ward 7 Raising Children’s Awareness Environmental Youth Organization* will create a video educating their peers about bacteria versus viruses. Video will include how to properly wash your hands and how to make a mask without a sewing machine. With the support of adult volunteers, we will make kits with needed supplies for facemask making. Kits will also include homemade environmentally friendly hand sanitizer with a recipe so that they can make their own. Youth volunteers will deliver kits to community members and or allow for	\$4,000

	pickup at a designated location. Kits will also include an environmental awareness craft and a healthy immune system boosting snack.	
Cleveland	S.O.S. Initiatives* has been contracted to pick up hundreds of pounds of food each week from participating restaurants in East and Southeast Cuyahoga County. Volunteer drivers, mainly senior citizens, pick up different kinds of food to make deliveries to shelters, food distribution centers, and other social service agencies to distribute. Participating restaurants are throughout Cuyahoga County, including Chick-fil-A, Chipotle, Outback Steakhouse, and others.	\$3800
East Cleveland	Strong Hands United will place portable hand washing sinks in the city of East Cleveland so that the homeless and the un-sheltered population can have access to fresh water to wash their hands and face. According to the CDC one of the most important ways to combat the corona virus is to wash your hands on a regular basis. Before the pandemic, the homeless had access to places like McDonald's and Wendy's bathrooms to wash their hands and freshen up. Now this population have very little if any access to fresh water and soap. The portable hand washing stations will help to alleviate that problem.	\$5000
Cleveland	The Northeast Ohio Black Health Coalition provides food to children in need. Food insecurity is a big concern in communities of color and although programs exist in the community through the school system, they don't make special provisions for children or parents and grandparents that are handicapped or under the age of 9. This volunteer led food delivery effort has provided 4200 meals and snacks a month to families that are most in need. The families receive a two-week supply of provisions every two weeks.	\$2000
East Cleveland	The Living Truth Center for Better Living , a neighborhood hub, received funding to safely reopen the doors of their facility over the next month. To do this according to the Governor's Plan they must have several automatic hand sanitizer dispensers, gloves, masks and proper cleaning equipment. These supplies are needed so that they can open their doors to the community for various support services, including community outreach programs, counseling, Alcoholics/Narcotics Anonymous Meetings, and more.	\$3,500
Cleveland	The Gilmore Girls Greetings Foundation will ensure that the basic needs of adolescent females in Cleveland are met, particularly female students who attend Cleveland Metropolitan Schools. With this funding, they will hire temporary personnel, construct and provide basic needs supplies in the form of care	\$2500

	<p>packages, and continue to build social connections for our females through virtual platforms. Having additional personnel ensures that they can meet the demands of the needs of the girls. Care packages include basic hygiene needs, non-perishable food items, and school supplies. Funding allows them the ability to host additional virtual meeting spaces for girls to stay socially connected by securing additional coaches to provide a common shared space.</p>	
Lyndhurst/S. Euclid	<p>The 1,000 Ties Etiquette Program* is for youth in Northeast Ohio. The program has four parts: Mentoring Program, STEM program at TRI C, 1,000 Ties events, and now the Etiquette Program that will run out of the Cleveland Public Library. In the curriculum we teach about proper hygiene. Due to COVID19 we are unable to run the program out of CPL so we would like to give away the hygiene kits with a small booklet with hygiene tips. We will partner with the school district to setup at the lunch distribution site so that we can give the kits to students. The goal is to teach youth proper hygiene and give them the products to do that with. The 1,000 Ties Hygiene Kit will include toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, deodorant, comb, brush, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, & shower cap.</p>	\$2500
Cuyahoga County	<p>The Hummingbird Project works for social justice through ecological regeneration and community empowerment initiatives. They will allow access to their Seed Libraries digitally and send seeds via the US mail to anyone who needs high quality seeds to grow healthy food this year. Their goal is to mail 5000 seed packets to 1000 community members to allow them to grow nutritious food and engage in healthy activities during this global pandemic.</p>	\$3500
Hough/Glenville Cleveland	<p>The Positive Plus Women's Support Group* will create linkages between those in isolation and in need for support and those who have the capability to assist. An intergenerational link between older adults and youth will be created. They will collaborate with youth from the Wade Park School's Ambassador Program, who be assigned to identified seniors. They will then correspond with them via telephone, personal hand-written cards, food delivery, yard work and more.</p>	\$3500
Lee-Harvard/Lee-Miles Cleveland	<p>The Henry Johnson Center, which works with high school students, is focusing on supporting and encouraging high school seniors. They are doing this in 3 ways: 1) Providing daily tutoring to 80 high school seniors who have college acceptances and jobs that are waiting on them to graduate from high school, 2) providing weekly mental health counseling to 80 high school seniors, and 3) providing 80 baskets filled with medicine and cleaning supplies to help high school seniors</p>	\$5000

	successfully fight COVID-19. We will have volunteers deliver these baskets to the program's participants. The program will last 8 weeks from the first week of June 2020 until the end of July 2020. This will help participants to graduate by August 2020 as they were initially scheduled.	
Cuyahoga County	The Ramadan Rapid Relief Fund , organized by the Pakistani community, is donating food and supplies and providing volunteers to local mosques to provide services to the neighborhood communities during the month of Ramadan. They aim to get food, supplies, and volunteers to assist at-risk, vulnerable and low-income families in Cuyahoga County that have been affected by the current economic downturn resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$5000
Chesterland Geauga County	St. Mark's Lutheran Church Women's League received funding to provide a monthly free community lunch for older adults with the Chesterland Senior Center. They also provide rides for older adults to doctor's appointments, make phone calls to the sick, run a small food pantry, and provide financial aid for emergencies. In addition, they take lunch/dinner to Trinity Lutheran Church in Cleveland where we support low income and/or homeless folks once a month.	\$2000
Eastside of Cleveland and Eastside Inner Ring Suburbs	Give Box Cleveland's* mission is to empower neighbors to help neighbors through small gestures of giving. Our motto is "give what you can, take what you need". The boxes are just like a Little Free Library, except filled with non-perishables, toiletries and notes of positivity all donated by individuals. There are six official "Little Free Pantries" (LFPs) (http://mapping.littlefreepantry.org/) in eastside Cleveland neighborhoods and eastside inner ring suburbs where high rates of poverty and unemployment exist.	\$530
South Collinwood Cleveland	Reliable Hearts will provide food and books for the children in the neighborhood via the Summer Feeding Program in partnership with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank and First Book. The goal of the program is that no child goes hungry when schools are closed and that children have tools to maintain literacy during the summer months.	\$3230
Cleveland	Girls United: I AM YOU* enriches the lives of women through healthy living. They will supply products and services to women who are in need of hygiene products, transportation, and food. They bring young mothers, daughters, family, and friends together because we are all going through this pandemic together. There are many single mothers who are barely surviving during these trying times. Their goal is to supply care packages for these women.	\$2000

St. Clair-Superior Cleveland	The St. Clair Superior Youth Leadership Council* will employ 45 young people that will work 120 hours in July. The teens get involved in meaningful community development projects. They gain hands-on skills, learn important job skills, and are exposed to career paths that interest them. They have four job tracks for the teens to work on in the summer. Garden2Kitchen, Mural Painting, Design-Build, and Voter Registration. The teens complete projects, visit career projects, gain certifications, host professional speakers, all while earning part-time wages. They will use these funds to provide teenagers with masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer. They also will introduce social distancing measures: keeping meetings of people to smaller numbers plus sanitizing surfaces regularly in our programming areas.	\$1500
Midtown Cleveland	Mutual Aid Disaster Relief Cleveland's COVID-19 Relief Project distributes basic needs items, educational resources, and grows social connections among neighbors at the Willson Towers and Family Apartments. This funding allows them to continue weekly distribution of food and survival items to 85 households (approx. 560 people) for one month, expand educational outreach, and host a socially distant home-delivered community BBQ in late May to raise people's spirits.	\$5000

*These groups do not have 501 c 3 status.