

2021 Community Foundation Competitive Grants

For 2021, the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo awarded funding totaling \$658,410 to 34 organizations through its annual competitive grants process. Below are the organizations, the specific program, and grant amounts. Grants are listed alphabetically under the Community Goal and corresponding Solution

Community Goal I: Improve Educational Achievement for Students Living in Low-Income Households

Solution I1: Improve the academic achievement and postsecondary completion of students living in low-income households, with a preference for systems change

• 716 Squash	Academic Program	\$20,000
• Assembly House 150	Model City Builders	\$26,000
• Boys & Girls Clubs of Buffalo	Bridging the Gap	\$20,000
• Boys & Girls Clubs of the Northtowns of WNY	Academic Success Program	\$20,000
• Buffalo Prep	College Prep & Student Success Center	\$20,000
• Buffalo-Area Engineering Awareness for Minorities	Summer Engineering Program	\$18,000
• Compeer of Greater Buffalo	Lackawanna High School Program	\$25,000
• Health Sciences Charter School	Center for Health Equity	\$20,000
• Journey's End Refugee Services	Refugee School Impact Program	\$20,000
• Peace of the City	Educational Survival & Advancement During & After COVID-19	\$20,000
• People Who Care Project	Wise Young Builders	\$20,000
• Rural Outreach Center	Think Big Academic Support Program	\$21,290
• Seneca Street Community Development Corporation	Youth Program	\$20,000

Solution I2: Improve the school readiness of children living in low-income households

• Buffalo Prenatal Perinatal Network	Community Health Worker Program	\$20,000
• Gillam Grant Community Center	Learning Foundation for Success	\$18,500
• Mental Health Advocates	BEST Program	\$30,000
• Native American Community Services of Erie & Niagara Counties	BELL Program	\$18,802

Community Goal III: Protect & Restore Significant Environmental Resources & Promote Equitable Access

Solution III2: Strengthen individual environmental organizations and support a more racially inclusive and collaborative environmental community

• Grassroots Gardens of WNY	Strengthening Urban Gardening in Niagara Falls	\$18,346
• Massachusetts Avenue Project	Growing Green	\$20,000

Community Goal IV: Strengthen the Region as a Center for Architecture, Arts, & Culture

Solution IV1: Increase access to long term arts instruction for children and youth living in low-income households

• Buffalo Arts & Technology Center	Youth Arts Program	\$20,000
• Center for Exploratory & Perceptual Arts	Photography Works	\$20,000
• Just Buffalo Literary Center	Writing Center	\$20,000
• Locust Street Neighborhood Art Classes	Children’s Visual Arts Classes	\$20,000
• Squeaky Wheel	Youth Education Programs	\$15,000
• Young Audiences of WNY	ArtWorks: Hired to Create. Inspired to Succeed	\$20,000

Solution IV2: Increase opportunities for residents to engage across racial/ethnic lines through the arts

• El Museo	Support for Activities	\$15,000
• Torn Space Theater	Outreach & Public Engagement	\$15,000

Solution IV3: Restore and leverage significant historic buildings and architectural landmarks, with a preference for sites that promote cultural tourism (Defining historic as official recognition by State/National Register of Historic Places or local preservation ordinance)

• Central Terminal Restoration Corporation	Welcome Entry	\$5,000
• Kleinhans Music Hall	General Operations	\$16,472
• Martin House Restoration Corporation	General Operating	\$16,000
• Reg Lenna Center for the Arts	Theater & Stage Roof	\$20,000
• Roycroft Campus Corporation	Visitor Center Support	\$20,000
• Shea's Performing Arts Center	Restore the Mighty Wurlitzer Organ	\$20,000

Field of Interest Funding

• Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper	Incorporating Public Access into Waterfront Restoration at North Tonawanda Botanical Gardens	\$20,000
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