



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
OF GREATER BIRMINGHAM

RESULTS FRAMEWORK GRANTS AWARDED IN 2013

Cycle 1 Grants – awarded in May 2013

RESULT: Children are successful along the education pipeline:

Increase high quality early learning opportunities for birth to eight-year olds

- **Bell Center for Early Intervention Programs**, \$15,000 to support the Center's six programs providing early intervention services including physical, occupational and speech-language therapies and early childhood special education.
- **Childcare Resources**, \$30,000 over two years to support their Early Learning Resource Library and Van, which delivers educational materials to child care centers.
- **Hand-in-Paw**, \$10,000 to activate their Sit, Stay, Read! program at Children's of Alabama—a program pairing a handler/animal therapy team to make reading fun, positive, and non-threatening for children in need of extra motivation.
- **McWane Science Center**, \$100,000 over two years to create a pipeline ensuring school readiness for preschoolers via development of the Birmingham Children's Museum.
- **New Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church Community Support Corporation**, \$40,000 over two years to establish reading proficiency Rising Stars Educational Enrichment program for K-3 students.
- **Positive Maturity**, \$20,000 over two years to increase the number of Foster Grandparents mentoring and tutoring at-risk children in the Jefferson County and Birmingham school districts.
- **Tarrant City Schools**, \$125,000 over two years to increase the number of students served by the System's Extended Day Program, as well as incorporate math tutoring into the curriculum.

Increase high school graduation rate

- **Alabama Poverty Project**, \$35,000 over two years to develop its Blueprints College Access Initiative and lead formation of a college access network to increase the number of youth who pursue post-secondary education.
- **Better Basics**, \$90,000 over three years to support additional teachers for both one-on-one and group instruction thereby putting more than 200 additional students on the path to school success through their Reading Intervention Program.
- **Desert Island Supply Co. (DISCO)**, \$5,000 to support additional staff to direct in-house initiatives such as writing workshops, after-school tutoring and summer camp programs.
- **Jefferson County Schools Public Education Foundation**, \$50,000 over two years to assist at-risk students by providing Graduation Coaches through its Dropout Prevention Pilot Program, which focuses on math and reading.
- **Maranathan Family Learning Center & Academy Inc.**, \$20,000 to add supporting staff, thereby allowing the Executive Director to focus on developing strategic partnerships to better serve both current and future students.

RESULT: People can lead healthy lives

Improve nutrition and healthy food access and increase opportunities for physical activity through grants to the following organizations:

- **Girls on the Run of Birmingham**, \$5,000 to provide scholarships for this fee-based program to girls living in areas where this is limited access to after school programming and the opportunity for safe, healthy physical activity.
- **Junior League of Birmingham**, \$25,000 for a mobile “Kitchen for the Kids” to make their Kids in the Kitchen program more accessible to the community.
- **United Way of Central Alabama**, \$60,000 over three years to improve health outcomes in Walker County through increased access to healthy foods and nutrition education.
- **Workshops, Inc.**, \$60,000 over two years to launch a Healthy Living program aimed at enhancing their already-existing Food Service Training program with healthy food options, as well as offering their consumers health-focused education, cooking classes, and access to fresh produce.

Improve access to care for vulnerable populations through grants to the following organizations:

- **Arc of Walker County**, \$15,000 to purchase a 4WD vehicle allowing the Early Intervention team to expand their services to children in rural areas.
- **Birmingham AIDS Outreach**, \$20,000 over two years for a part-time position to support Project Equality—a collaboration of agencies in the Birmingham area seeking to improve outcomes for Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender/Questioning youth and their families.
- **Exceptional Foundation**, \$20,000 to expand and upgrade their technology to better serve the Foundation’s special needs attendees with more social and recreational opportunities.
- **Equal Access Birmingham**, \$5,000 to provide additional primary medical services, patient health education, and social services at their medical student-run free clinic at the Church of the Reconciler.
- **Ronald McDonald House Charities of Alabama**, \$45,000 over three years to expand and upgrade their technology to more effectively cultivate and track donors, as well as meet donor expectations, ultimately leading to more funding to better serve guest families.
- **Special Equestrians, Inc.**, \$20,000 over two years for operational expenses related to their Therapeutic Riding and Hippotherapy programs designed for persons with physical, mental, developmental, and emotional disabilities.
- **Travelers Aid Society**, \$45,000 over three year to match federal New Freedom funds designed to cover costs associated with the Society’s free medical transportation for low-income elderly and disabled residents in Jefferson County.

Cycle 2 Grants – Awarded in December, 2013

RESULT: INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ARE ECONOMICALLY SECURE

Improve housing stability

- **Aletheia House**, \$50,000 for program to identify and provide for housing needs for veterans and their families.
- **Greater Birmingham Habitat for Humanity**, \$50,000 to support affordable homeownership for 50 households in 2014.
- **The Village**, \$30,000 to support improvement of the physical space for Growth Track program that helps residents to establish a stable and self-sufficient life.
- **Woodlawn Foundation**, \$50,000 to support renovation and repair of mixed-income housing development.

Increase public policy/services that positively impact low income individuals and families

- **Alabama Appleseed Center for Law & Justice**, \$25,000 for predatory lending reform advocacy efforts.
- **Birmingham Regional Paratransit Consortium**, \$54,000 to support purchase of new vans for the Clastran program that supports independent living for the elderly and disabled population in Jefferson, Shelby and Walker counties.
- **First Light, Inc.**, \$40,000 for direct services for homeless women and their children to provide housing and other resources.
- **Gateway**, \$25,000 for pilot program that will provide alternatives to payday lending for low-income families trapped in the downward spiral of payday loans.
- **Impact Alabama: A Student Service Initiative**, \$30,000 to support the development of a new free tax site in Roebuck as well as the expansion of four existing sites in Birmingham.
- **Oak Mountain Mission Ministries**, \$25,000 to purchase a new truck for their program that provides food, clothing, furniture and basic household items to disadvantaged families and individuals.
- **Three Hots and a Cot**, \$25,000 to assist in renovation of facility that will provide job training, life skills training, counseling and case-management services to help stabilize the mental health, finances, employment and housing of homeless and at-risk veterans.
- **Walker County Coalition for the Homeless**, \$25,000 to assist with support for programs that fill the gap for individuals that do not qualify for other resources but are homeless or verging on homelessness.
- **YWCA Central Alabama**, \$50,000 to expand services to meet the needs of low income victims of domestic violence in Blount and St. Clair counties.

RESULT: COMMUNITIES ARE SUSTAINABLE, LIVABLE AND VIBRANT

Strategies:

Expand access to arts and cultural opportunities

- **Alabama Symphonic Association**, \$100,000 over two years toward the creation of the Greater Birmingham Music Education Alliance, a collaboration of ASO, MOP and Scrollworks dedicated to advancing music education for young people and encourage participation in youth orchestras.
- **Birmingham Children's Theatre**, \$14,500 to replace their Wee Folks touring van. The Wee Folks program reaches children in the five county area who cannot attend performances at the BJCC.
- **Children's Dance Foundation**, \$16,500 to launch a pilot program that will serve more than 50 ESL students in first and second grade.

- **City of Pell City**, \$48,500 to renovate the Program and Activity room in the Pell City Public Library. The room will serve as a learning and activity center for children and teens
- **Jefferson-Blount Public Library Foundation**, \$50,000 to support the collective efforts of six communities to retrofit an existing armory as a Regional Library and Arts Center.
- **Magic City Smooth Jazz**, \$15,000 toward equipment to support the Jazz in the Park program which provides quality artistic performances to culturally underserved areas.

Expand and improve public green space

- **Red Mountain Park Fund**, \$250,000 over 2 years toward Phase Two of the Round the Mountain Loop Trail, part of the 21 mile, multi-use trail system.
- **Montevallo Development Cooperative District**, \$100,000 to support construction of an NCAA track and field facility. The facility will connect to the recently constructed Montevallo Parks Trail and will provide an economic benefit to the area with an increase in events and other programs.
- **Southeastern Climbers Coalition**, \$5,000 toward improving access and providing sustainable waste disposable facilities for the Steele climbing site.

Further develop vibrant city center for Birmingham

- **Economic Development Partnership of Alabama**, \$50,000 to further the size and scope of Alabama Launchpad entrepreneurship competition.
- **Parkways LLC**, \$50,000 to support the partnership with ALDOT, City of Birmingham and other municipalities to enhance interstate entranceways.
- **REV Birmingham**, \$100,000 to fund capacity building through a Director of Catalytic Development.

Improve the natural environment

- **Alabama Historic Ironworks Foundation**, \$50,000 toward development of a wastewater treatment system for Tannehill State Park.
- **Black Warrior Riverkeeper**, \$30,000 support for Riverkeeper Patrol Program expenses.
- **Coosa Riverkeeper**, \$15,000 towards purchase of a patrol boat that will be used for education and research purposes.