

Community Foundation of Middlesex County 2004-2005 Competitive Grants - Approved

2004 - 2005 Competitive Grants Approved by the Board of Directors		
Recipient & Purpose	Amount	Focus Area(s)
Advocate Performing Arts Association to publish educational brochures about psychiatric illness.	\$1,500	Human Service, Education
Antiquarian & Landmarks Society to expand publicity and educational programming at the Amasa Day House in East Haddam.	\$3,750	Heritage Enhancement
Camp Hazen YMCA to develop a "pilot" ecology discovery program for elementary school students.	\$2,000	Environment, Education
Chester Historical Society to catalog the Society's collection of artifacts reflecting life and industry in Chester.	\$2,150	Heritage Enhancement
Chester Land Trust, Inc. to produce a brochure identifying the flora in its Carini Preserve.	\$2,500	Environment, Education
Children in Placement Connecticut to implement a new Independent Study training curriculum for guardians ad litem appointed by the Middlesex County Juvenile Court to represent abused and neglected children.	\$2,500	Education, Human Service
Community Health Center for the purchase of new mattresses for the Battered Women's Shelter in Middletown.	\$2,625	Women & Girls
Community Music School to fund a music education and appreciation series in schools and in the community.	\$2,000	Arts, Education
Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to design and print brochures about Nathan Hale Schoolhouse in East Haddam.	\$2,275	Heritage Enhancement, Education
Deep River Ambulance Association to purchase a portable automatic external defibrillator (AED).	\$1,695	Safer Communities
Deep River Historical Society, Inc. to develop multi-generational educational	\$1,200	Heritage Enhancement,

programming at the Stone House about Deep River history.		Education
East Haddam Youth & Family Services to fund Girls on the Run, a skill building program for 3rd and 4th grade girls.	\$2,000	Women & Girls
Essex Historical Society to upgrade its computer system to provide better access to information on the Society's extensive collection.	\$2,000	Heritage Enhancement
Estuary Council of Senior Clubs for computer courses offered to older women considering employment or volunteer work opportunities.	\$600	Women & Girls, Education
Estuary Council of Senior Clubs to provide transportation for seniors who are unable to get to medical and other appointments.	\$3,000	Human Service
FISH for Chester, Deep River & Essex, Inc. - Friends in Service Here to provide free rides to medical facilities for Chester, Deep River and Essex residents who do not have any other means of transportation.	\$500	Human Service
Geeks for Givers to expand its ability to provide other nonprofits with refurbished, affordable computer systems.	\$1,000	Human Service
Greater Middletown Chorale to fund an interim executive director who will provide administrative support and strategic planning for the organization.	\$2,600	Arts
Green Street Arts Center to support its Family series, a series of free Saturday arts and culture workshops in Middletown's North End.	\$2,000	Arts
I Have A Friend Youth Center to support an after-school tutoring program for low income Middletown children. (Submitted for '03, approved '04)	\$2,000	Neighborhood Enhancement
Ivoryton Playhouse Foundation to support its productions of plays which complement school curriculums for middle and high school students.	\$1,250	Arts, Education
Kuhn Employment Opportunities for an Outreach Peer Mentor Program to provide support for persons with mental illness seeking and maintaining employment in Middlesex County.	\$2,000	Human Service
Long Lane Farm and Garden Project at Wesleyan University to fund a joint project for high school and college students to farm and distribute organic	\$1,310	Environment, Human

produce in Middletown.		Service
Middlesex County Substance Abuse Action Council to fund a Spring Youth Leadership Conference for high school students who work on substance abuse prevention projects.	\$1,000	Education, Human Service
Middletown Fire Department for a safety education program for 3rd graders in Middletown Public Schools.	\$500	Safer Communities
Middletown Foundation for the Arts to begin a collaborative cultural arts planning process in Middletown.	\$5,000	Arts
Middletown Housing Authority to furnish Traverse Square's Community Room for an after school program for elementary school student.	\$2,000	Neighborhood Enhancement, Human Service
Middletown School Readiness Council to expand an early literacy initiative and to purchase books for low income preschoolers enrolled in Middletown preschool and child care programs.	\$3,500	Education
Nehemiah Housing Corporation to purchase appliances for two new apartments for homeless families.	\$2,000	Neighborhood Enhancement, Human Service
North End Action Team for a raft building project involving children from the North End of Middletown.	\$1,500	Education, Neighborhood Enhancement
North End Action Team to provide operational support for community outreach.	\$1,500	Neighborhood Enhancement
Northern Middlesex Habitat for Humanity to defray the cost of renovations to its 34-36 Fairview Street property in Middletown.	\$3,000	Human Service
Oddfellows Playhouse to produce the 30th anniversary presentation of "Middletown Fantasia", a satire of Middletown's historical highlights.	\$1,500	Arts, Heritage Enhancement

Old Saybrook Fire Co. No.1 to purchase a portable automatic external defibrillator.	\$2,050	Safer Communities
Rushford Center for "Mother and Daughter Evenings Out" for Middletown sixth, seventh or eighth grade girls and their mothers.	\$1,500	Women & Girls
Russell Library to expand its services to the elderly population confined in their homes or nursing facilities.	\$4,800	Human Service
Shoreline Soup Kitchens to purchase fundraising software to help build revenue.	\$4,250	Human Service
St. Vincent DePaul Place for the Community Assistance Fund, providing emergency assistance for rent, medical expenses, utility bills and transportation.	\$2,400	Human Service
Tri-Town Youth Services to fund the Parent Resource Program and upgrade office computers.	\$4,000	Education, Human Service
UCONN Cooperative Extension System for a study of changes in agricultural land use in Middlesex County from 1978-2004 to better inform decision makers about the effect of growth on the changing landscape.	\$2,500	Environment, Education
Vista Vocational & Life Skills Center, Inc. to provide staff support and training for a federal employment program for adults with learning disabilities and neurological impairments.	\$1,000	Education
Wadsworth Mansion at Long Hill Estate to develop a cultural landscape plan which would record the estate's landscape history and provide a strategy for the long-term management.	\$3,000	Heritage Enhancement, Environment
Westbrook Youth & Family Services to provide funding for a program which helps sixth through ninth graders with homework and study skills.	\$1,600	Education
YMCA of Northern Middlesex County to construct two self-guided interactive nature stations along a half mile nature trail at Camp Ingersoll.	\$2,500	Environment, Education
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