

Community Foundation of Middlesex County 2005-2006 Competitive Grants - Approved

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Recipient & Purpose	Amount	Focus Area
Concora to fund a multicultural, interactive choral program in Middletown elementary schools.	\$2,500	Arts
Essex Art Association to fund an open show to celebrate its 60th Anniversary.	\$2,690	Arts
Oddfellows Playhouse to fund production expenses of Spoon River, performed by members of Oddfellow's Neighborhood Troupes and Teen Repertory Company.	\$1,500	Arts
Tracy Art Center to help fund a program of recognition and mentorship for middle and high schools students and professional artists.	\$1,500	Arts
Durham-Middlefield Youth & Family Services to fund an after-school program for middle school students.	\$3,375	Education
Middlesex Coalition for Children to develop and disseminate a 2006 Children's Legislative Agenda for Middlesex County.	\$3,000	Education
Middlesex Community College to purchase textbooks for a pre-freshmen math immersion course.	\$3,500	Education
Middletown Adult Education-Even Start Program to offer educational family activities to strengthen parenting skills and increase parent involvement in their children's education.	\$1,600	Education
Middletown Public Schools to fund program which enables parents to become better advocates and leaders for themselves and their children within their communities.	\$5,000	Education
Middletown School Readiness Council to purchase books for distribution through Middletown medical practices and to parents of newborns to promote early literacy.	\$4,200	Education

Middlesex County Substance Abuse Action Council to fund workshops focused on developing student leadership skills to help prevent and reduce substance abuse.	\$1,500	Education
Nutmeg Big Brothers/Big Sisters to expand the mentoring program benefiting at-risk and disadvantaged children in Middletown.	\$2,000	Education
Arbor Garden Club of Clinton to create a late 18th - early 19th century garden, providing produce for the less fortunate.	\$1,000	Environment
Camp Hazen YMCA to build an outdoor amphitheatre to enhance environmental education programs.	\$3,000	Environment
Connecticut River Museum to offer an elementary education program which explores the Connecticut River's natural environment and cultural heritage.	\$3,500	Environment
Connecticut River Watershed Council to fund intern to study the biological impact of consumptive water diversion and state water allocation policies.	\$2,500	Environment
Essex Land Conservation Trust to develop a plan for a park along the Falls River in Ivoryton.	\$3,000	Environment
Chester Historical Society to build portable display units to bring the Society's artifact collection into the community.	\$1,950	Heritage Enhancement
Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to create exterior interpretative markers for the Nathan Hale Schoolhouse in East Haddam.	\$3,000	Heritage Enhancement
Haddam Historical Society to research and fund authentic 19 c. activities for a camp at which students experience life as a child during this period.	\$2,000	Heritage Enhancement
Ivoryton Library Association to help fund a documentary on the ivory trade in Ivoryton and Deep River and to produce a complementary study guide for local schools.	\$4,200	Heritage Enhancement
Russell Library to microfilm and preserve issues of the Middletown Press from 2001 to 2006, chronicling the life of citizens in Middlesex County.	\$4,700	Heritage Enhancement
Essex Historical Society to create an historic marker for the Hills Academy in	\$500	Heritage

Essex Village.		Enhancement
American Red Cross to provide gap funding for rental assistance and/or heating or electric bills for low income residents.	\$3,000	Human Service
Estuary Council of Seniors to purchase a meal packaging machine for the Meals-On-Wheels program.	\$5,000	Human Service
FISH for Chester, Deep River & Essex, Inc. to provide free rides to medical facilities for Chester, Deep River and Essex residents who do not have other means of transportation.	\$500	Human Service
Kuhn Employment Opportunities to provide peer support for persons with mental illness in obtaining and maintaining employment in the Middlesex County business community.	\$2,000	Human Service
MARC Community Resources to fund recreation programs throughout the county for cognitively disabled children and adults.	\$3,500	Human Service
Shoreline Soup Kitchens to fund a coordinator to work with other social service agencies and providers to coordinate services to people in need.	\$5,000	Human Service
St. Vincent DePaul Place for the community assistance fund which is used as direct emergency assistance for rent, security deposit, medical expenses, utility bills and transportation.	\$2,400	Human Service
Westbrook Youth & Family Services to fund a support group for teens facing sexuality and gender issues.	\$1,000	Human Service
Nehemiah Housing Corporation to purchase appliances for two new apartments for homeless families.	\$2,000	Neighborhood Enhancement
Northern Middlesex Habitat for Humanity to help defray costs of rehabilitation of 13-15 Huber Street, Middletown.	\$5,000	Neighborhood Enhancement
Old Saybrook High School to provide funding for programming that combats prejudice and gender bias.	\$1,000	Safer Communities
Children's Home of Cromwell to provide stipends and financial management instruction for at-risk girls working in the community.	\$2,000	Women & Girls

Community Health Center to purchase furniture for the Battered Women's Shelter in Middletown.	\$1,800	Women & Girls
Connection, Inc to purchase car seats and strollers for children residing with mothers enrolled in a drug rehabilitation program.	\$500	Women & Girls
Estuary Council of Seniors to develop and pilot a comprehensive health education program for older women in the Valley Shore.	\$900	Women & Girls
Girl Scouts, CT Trails Council to fund a program for girls, ages 8-14, designed to raise their self esteem.	\$2,300	Women & Girls
Ray of Light Farm, Inc. to support a program which provides young girls with the opportunity to teach adults interested in learning horseback riding and animal care.	\$750	Women & Girls
Rushford Center to support "Mother and Daughter Evenings Out" for Middletown sixth, seventh or eighth grade girls and their mothers.	\$1,750	Women & Girls
2005 - 2006	\$103,615	
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