

Community Foundation of Middlesex County

TO: **Grants Committee**
(John Boccalatte, Laura Colebank, Clio Coles, Sharon Griffin, Bob Kirkpatrick, Rona Malakoff, Scott Nardozi, Penny Robiner, Sandy Rogers, Bill Russell, Sue Sawchuk, Theresa Sistare, Gary Wallace, , Frantz Williams, Deborah Moore [ex-officio], Cynthia Clegg, and Thayer Talbott)

FROM: Meghan Whelen and Nancy Fischbach, Co-Chairs

DATE: February 7, 2019

We will meet on:

Wednesday, February 13, 2019
8:30 a.m.
Community Foundation of Middlesex County

Our tentative agenda includes:

1. **Minutes** of the November 28 and November 29, 2018 meetings and Voting Record
2. **Review and Discussion: 2018-2019 Competitive Grants Cycle**
3. **2019-2020 Competitive Application Cycle**
 - a. Updates and changes to the competitive process
 - b. Timeline
4. **New Business**
5. **Confirm dates of next meetings**
6. **Adjourn**

If for any reason you cannot attend this meeting, please leave a message for **Thayer** at **860-347-0025** or email: Thayer@MiddlesexCountyCF.org. Thank you.

Attachments:

Minutes of November 28 and November 29, 2018 (Document B)

Funding Recommendation Voting Record of November 28 and November 29, 2018 (Document C)

2018-2019 Competitive Grants Approved (Document D)

Upcoming Workshops and Information Sessions:

CFMC Grantee PR/Evaluation workshop, February 15 (9 a.m. DeKoven House, Middletown)

CFMC Grantee PR/Evaluation workshop, February 21 (4 p.m. CFMC)

Nonprofit Resource Center Morning Musing Workshop with Jason Otrin, Greater Things Technology, "Basics 101: Creating Engaging Video and Photo Thank Yous," February 26, 4 p.m., Essex Library

.Community Foundation of Middlesex County
Grants Committee
November 28, 2018
MINUTES

Presiding: John Boccalatte, Chairman
Present: Laura Colebank, Clio Coles, Sharon Griffin, Bob Kirkpatrick, Scott Nardozi, Penny Robiner, Bill Russell, Sue Sawchuk, Theresa Sistaire, Meghan Whelen, Frantz Williams, Deborah Moore [ex-officio], Cynthia Clegg, and Thayer Talbott
Absent: Rona Malakoff, Sandy Rogers, Gary Wallace

Chairman Boccalatte called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

1. Minutes

Upon a motion made by Bob Kirkpatrick and seconded by Sue Sawchuk, the Grants Committee VOTED to approve the Minutes of the October 11 and October 12, 2018 meeting as written.

2. Review of 2018 Process and Establish Timeline for Meeting

Mr. Boccalatte stated that it is the responsibility of the Grants Committee to do the best that it can with the dollars entrusted for the grant making cycle. He explained that the review and recommendation process evolves based on the discussion and the applications under consideration. He reminded the Committee that their responsibility is to review the merit of the request as presented and to vote on recommendations which will be presented to the Board for consideration and approval. Staff has reviewed all of the applications and provided Mr. Boccalatte with a list of those where staff insight and knowledge may be of merit. Mr. Boccalatte explained that as those applications are discussed, he will ask staff to share their insights. He explained that this is not to advocate for or against an applicant nor is it meant to supersede the Committee's discussion; rather, this is information which has come to the staff's attention since the last communication with the Committee and may have bearing on the general discussion. Mr. Boccalatte reminded the Committee that the Community Foundation underwent an extensive review of its grant making process during the first six months of the 2018, and that there are new criteria and types of funding requests included in the application process. This represents the Board of Directors' continued strategic work to ensure the Community Foundation is responding the needs of the community; the trends identified by staff in funding considerations and concerns on the part of the nonprofits; and the Community Foundation's ability to meet new funding requests and priorities. Mr. Boccalatte explained that the discussion should focus on the merits of the application rather than diving too deeply into the minutia of the budget information. It is important that the nonprofits exhibit their ability to present their information in a business format; however, it is not the Community Foundation's obligation to expect the nonprofits to change vendors or determine what a fair market value is for pieces required for their programs and services. Staff will again work with other funds within the Community Foundation to identify funding for applications of merit which the Committee may not be able to fund. Mr. Boccalatte has the "partial funding" responses from the application voting submissions and will incorporate that information into the discussion as each application is reviewed. Several applications have been partially funded by other committees, and that information is noted on the Committee's list. Mr. Boccalatte reminded the Committee that all discussions are confidential as are the recommendations to the Board of Directors.

The Committee will review applications until 11:30 a.m. today at which time, should there still be funding available and applications under review, the meeting will be adjourned until the following day, November 29, as designated, for final deliberations and funding recommendations. The Committee reviewed the Guidelines for Voting. Once again, the Committee is asked to take notes on those aspects of the meeting which work well and which raise comments or concerns. The meeting in February will include time to review the overall process as well as these meetings and the process for recommendations currently in place.

3. Review Available to Grant

The Finance & Investment Committee recommended, and the Board of Directors approved, a 4% distribution from with endowment for grant making. The funding available, including those pass through funds made available by grant making partners and individuals, totals \$147,217.

4. President's Discretionary Fund:

Ms. Clegg explained the Fund was established by an anonymous donor to respond to emergencies and special grant making needs which may fall outside of the Community Foundation's usual competitive grant making processes. Ms. Clegg explained that other donors have taken advantage of this Fund to support such emergencies and funding of the President's Discretionary Fund is not solely provided through the distribution from the Grants Committee. Ms. Clegg reviewed the grants distributed during 2018 from the President's Discretionary Fund. She explained that the Community Foundation recently received a generous donation from a private donor to support the Fund.

On a motion made by Bob Kirkpatrick and seconded by Clio Coles, the Grants Committee unanimously voted to approve \$1,000 for the President's Discretionary Fund from the unrestricted endowed funds.

Review and Discuss 2018 Competitive Grant Proposals

- Two applications have been fully funded by other Committees, FISH of Chester, Deep River, and Essex, and Epoch Arts, and are therefore no longer under consideration.
- One application has been withdrawn from consideration by the applicant: BSA Troop 18 of Killingworth.
- The Committee voted, on motion by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to fully fund eight (8) applications with scores between 1.07 and 1.60.
 - On a motion by Bob Kirkpatrick, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, two applications within that group, Bikes for Kids and Simply Sharing, were tabled for further discussion. *The Committee VOTED to table two applications for further discussion Approved: Yes 12, Opposed: 0, No: 0*
 - The Committee then considered the original motion as moved by Ms. Coles and seconded by Mr. Williams with above approved amendment. *The Committee VOTED to fully fund six (6) applications between 1.07 and 1.6. Approved 12-0 with the following abstention votes: Mr. Russell, St. Vincent de Paul; John Boccalatte, The Connection, Inc; Theresa Sistaire, Child & Family Agency of Southeaster Connecticut.*
- The Committee voted, on motion by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to set aside seven (7) applications with scores of 2.813 and above to deny funding. *VOTED APPROVED 11-1-0*
- Mr. Boccalatte led the review of the remaining applications with an average committee score of 1.61 or greater, stating each applicant and program, with time for comments and discussion.
- Fifty-two (52) applications were approved on motions for funding and thirteen (13) applications were denied funding as stated below and on the attached voting record. Abstention votes are noted where necessary.

Record of Motions and Recommendations:

Applications between 1.0 and 1.6:

A motion made by Clio Coles and seconded by Frantz Williams, the Grants Committee voted to approve full funding for:

Shoreline Soup Kitchen & Pantries: Yes: 12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

The Connection, Inc.: Yes: 11, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 1 John Boccalatte

St. Vincent de Paul: Yes: 11, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 1 Bill Russell

Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut: Yes: 11, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 1 Theresa Sistaire

Coalition on Housing & Homelessness: Yes: 12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Ivoryton Playhouse Foundation: Yes: 12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Applications between 2.8 and 4.0:

A motion made by Clio Coles and seconded by Frantz Williams, voted to not fund organizations scoring 2.8 and above. Approved: Yes: 11, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

Coginchaug Area Transition

Natchaug Hospital

Close the Gap, Inc.

STEAM Train, Inc.

CDE Cooperative Nursery School

Madison Lyric Stage, Inc.

Shepardfields, Inc.

Discussion ensued regarding the applications for:

Simply Sharing, Inc.

A motion made by Laura Colebank, seconded by Bob Kirkpatrick, to fund in the amount of \$3,500. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Bikes for Kids, Inc.

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to fund in the amount of \$2,800. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed: 1, Abstentions: 0

Salvation Army of Middletown

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Bob Kirkpatrick, to deny funding. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut Veterans Legal Center (CVLC)

A motion made by Laura Colebank, seconded by Theresa Sistaire, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed: 2, Abstentions: 0

Valley Shore YMCA

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Clio Coles, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed: 3, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut Science Center, Inc.

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Penny Robiner, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed: 3, Abstentions: 0

Oddfellows Playhouse

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Theresa Sistaire, to fund in the amount of \$4,000. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 1 John Bocalatte

Center for Children's Advocacy, Inc.

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Laura Colebank, to fund in the amount of \$2,000. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Children in Placement CT

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Clio Coles, to fund in the amount of \$2,000. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed: 1, Abstentions: 0

Bushy Hill Nature Center (Incarnation Center)

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Laura Colebank, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed: 1, Abstentions: 0

Junior Achievement of SW New England

A motion made by Theresa Sistaire, seconded by Clio Coles, to fund in the amount of \$3,500. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed: 1, Abstentions: 0

[Frantz Williams left the meeting at 10:45 a.m.]

Salt Marsh Opera

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Laura Colebank, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:8, Opposed:3, Abstentions: 0

Adelbrook Behavioral & Development Services

A motion made by Theresa Sistaire, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, to fund in the amount of \$3,500. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed:2, Abstentions: 0

Greater Middletown Chorale

A motion made by Meghan Whelen, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed:1, Abstentions:1 Bob Kirkpatrick

Estuary Council of Seniors, Inc.

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Futures Inc.

A motion made by Laura Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Meghan Whelen, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Essex Historical Society

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Meghan Whelen, to fund in the amount of \$1,825. Approved: Yes:7, Opposed:3, Abstentions:1 Theresa Sistaire

[Scott Nardozi left at 11:04 a.m.]

Connecticut Gilbert & Sullivan Society

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Bob Kirkpatrick, to fund in the amount of \$1,500. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut River Foundation at Steamboat Dock

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Bob Kirkpatrick, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:6, Opposed:3, Abstentions:1 Meghan Whelen

Killingworth Library Association

A motion made by Theresa Sistaire, seconded by Penny Robiner, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

New Haven Symphony Orchestra, Inc.

A motion made by Laura Colebank, seconded by Bill Russell, to fund in the amount of \$1,000. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut Humanities

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Bill Russell, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:6, Opposed:4, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut Legal Services

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Meghan Whelen, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

Cromwell Senior Center

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Theresa Sistaire, to fund in the amount of \$1,350. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Middlesex Hospital Cancer Center

A motion made by Theresa Sistaire, seconded by Sharon Griffin, to fund in the amount of \$5,000. Approved: Yes:6, Opposed:3, Abstentions:1 Meghan Whelen

Ronald McDonald House Charities for CT and Western MA

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Laura Colebank, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:7, Opposed:3, Abstentions: 0

YMCA of Northern Middlesex County

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Meghan Whelen, to fund in the amount of \$4,500. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut Audubon Society, Inc.

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Theresa Sistaire, to fund in the amount of \$3,122. Approved: Yes:9, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut Forest & Park Association

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Clio Coles, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Mr. Boccalatte noted the time. The Committee agreed to adjourn until Thursday, November 29, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 p.m.

November 29, 2018

Presiding: John Boccalatte, Chairman
 Present: Laura Colebank, Clio Coles, Sharon Griffin, Bob Kirkpatrick, Rona Malakoff, Scott Nardozzi, Penny Robiner, Sandy Rogers, Bill Russell, Sue Sawchuk, Gary Wallace, Meghan Whelen, Frantz Williams, Cynthia Clegg and Thayer Talbott
 Absent: Theresa Sistaire, Deborah Moore [*ex-officio*]

Mr. Boccalatte called the meeting back in session at 9:14 a.m.

Mr. Boccalatte informed the Committee that Ms. Whelen will co-chair the Committee in 2019, joined by Ms. Fishbach. Mr. Boccalatte will remain on the Committee and looks forward to continuing to work with everyone. He reminded the Committee that the February 13, 2019 meeting will include a debrief of the current cycle, and all members are encouraged to take notes of what worked and what may need review. These notes can be forwarded to staff at any time. He thanked the Committee for its work yesterday and looked forward to continuing the review process. Mr. Boccalatte reminded the Committee that applications are to be reviewed based on the merit of the program or need, not on dollars remaining available. Staff continues to work with donors and Fund advisors on opportunities to support the grant making cycle.

The Committee resumed discussion and funding considerations for the remaining applications:

Friends of Chester Public Library

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Meghan Whelen, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Penny Robiner, to fund in the amount of \$1,500. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions:1 Meghan Whelen

Middletown School Readiness Council

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, to fund in the amount of \$35,000. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed:2, Abstentions: 0

National Conference for Community and Justice of CT and WMA, Inc. (NCCJ)

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:8, Opposed:5, Abstentions: 0

Buttonwood Tree (NEAR, Inc.)

A motion made by Frantz Williams, seconded by Penny Robiner, to fund in the amount of \$3,800. Approved: Yes:8, Opposed:5, Abstentions: 0

Community Music School

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Rona Malakoff, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Failed: Yes:4, Opposed:9, Abstentions: 0

Motion to reopen to discussion by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Frantz Williams. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed:3, Abstentions:0

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Rona Malakoff, to fund in the amount of \$1,500. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed:4, Abstentions:0

Haddam Citizens for Scouting, Inc.

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Bill Russell, to fund in the amount of \$2,000. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

[Laura Colebank arrives 9:45 a.m.]

I-Park Foundation, Inc.

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Penny Robiner, to fund in the amount of \$1,500. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed:2, Abstentions: 0

Kuhn Employment Opportunities

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Sandy Rogers, to fund in the amount of \$2,000. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed:4, Abstentions: 0

Middlesex County NAACP

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to fund in the amount of \$1,500. Approved: Yes:14, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut River Conservancy

A motion made by Penny Robiner, seconded by Scott Nardozi, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed:2, Abstentions: 0

Connecticut Storytelling Center

A motion made by Laura Colebank, seconded by Clio Coles, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:10, Opposed:4, Abstentions: 0

Greater Middletown Concert Association

A motion made by Frantz Williams, seconded by Penny Robiner, to fund in the amount of \$1,000. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed:3, Abstentions: 0

Parmelee Farm

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Rona Malakoff, to fund in the amount of \$1,500. Approved: Yes:14, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Central Connecticut Rowing

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Bill Russell, to fund in the amount of \$2,000. Approved: Yes:14, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

HOPE Partnership, Inc.

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to fund in the amount of \$4,000. Approved: Yes:8, Opposed:6, Abstentions: 0

Audubon Connecticut

A motion made by Sandy Rogers, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, to fund in the amount of \$2,500. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed:3, Abstentions: 0

Gilead Community Services

A motion made by Bill Russell, seconded by Meghan Whelen, to fund in the amount of \$3,000. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed:1, Abstentions:1 Gary Wallace

North End Action Team

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to deny funding. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Clinton Sailing Club

A motion made by Frantz Williams, seconded by Bob Kirkpatrick, to deny funding. Approved: Yes:13, Opposed:1, Abstentions: 0

Macdonough Elementary School

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to deny funding. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Middlesex Habitat for Humanity of CT

A motion made by Bob Kirkpatrick, seconded by Frantz Williams, to fund in the amount of \$5,000. Approved: Yes:13, Opposed: 0, Abstentions:1 Sharon Griffin

Antiquarian & Landmarks Society

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to deny funding. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Lower Connecticut River Land Trust

A motion made by Clio Coles, seconded by Frantz Williams, to deny funding. Approved: Yes:12, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Rushford, a Hartford Healthcare Partner

A motion made by Sue Sawchuk, seconded by Gary Wallace, to fund in the amount of \$4,980. Approved: Yes:11, Opposed:3, Abstentions: 0

[Frantz Williams left at 10:45 a.m.]

Mr. Boccalatte explained that staff would review the voting and the funding recommendations with the funding available. At the conclusion of the Committee's review and recommendation, there is an estimated \$12,000 available. The Committee may consider revisiting the President's Discretionary Fund allocation and/or revisit specific applications as requested by the Committee. The Committee agreed that the applications have been reviewed and voted upon, and it would not be in the best interest of the process or those members not in attendance to revisit applications for further funding. The Committee discussed increasing the distribution to the President's Discretionary Fund to support emergencies and other nonprofit needs.

Upon a motion by Gary Wallace, seconded by Sue Sawchuk, the Committee unanimously VOTED to increase the distribution to the President's Discretionary Fund by \$1,000.

Mr. Kirkpatrick suggested that remaining available funds could be used to establish an endowed President's Discretionary Fund. Over time this would provide essential funds for the President's Discretionary Fund while reducing the need to request funding from the Grants Committee each year. It could also be used as an opportunity to encourage donors to consider supporting efforts to aid the President today and in the future in responding to unforeseen emergencies or funding needs. The Committee discussed the purpose of available grant funds, noting that endowed funds are used both to support nonprofits today but also to build for future needs. The Committee discussed various options of how best to support the unforeseen needs of the community, both by building an endowed fund as well as supporting the existing unendowed fund. *Upon a motion by Mr. Kirkpatrick, seconded by Mr. Russell, the Committee voted 12-1-0 to recommend to the Board of Directors that it consider authorizing \$10,000 of the remaining available grant monies in the current cycle establish an Endowed President's Discretionary Fund, and any further monies remaining be transferred to the Unendowed President's Discretionary Fund, beyond that which has already been voted on by the Committee.*

Upon a motion made by Sue Sawchuk and seconded by Bob Kirkpatrick, the Grants Committee unanimously VOTED to authorize staff to review the voting record, the funding recommendations, and any available funds, ensure accurate accounting, and make any necessary funding corrections or allocations should additional monies be received or errors be found. Furthermore, staff is authorized to work with individual donors, donor advised funds, and other funds at the Community Foundation to supplement partial funding of applications approved or fund those applications which were under consideration. The motion passed unanimously. Yes: 13, Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0

Mr. Boccalatte thanked the Committee for its work during the last two days and expressed his appreciation for their attention and consideration to the requests submitted by the nonprofit organizations. He reminded the members that the work of the Grants Committee is confidential and all recommendations for funding remain so until the Community Foundation's Board of Directors authorizes the final approvals. He also reminded members to make notes of their thoughts and observations for the February 13, 2019 meeting. The Committee may bring their notes to the meeting or forward them to staff prior to the meeting.

Ms. Sawchuk, on behalf of the Committee, thanked Mr. Boccalatte for his guidance and leadership as Chair over the last three years and looks forward to continuing to work with him in 2019.

Adjourn

The Grants Committee agreed to adjourn at 11:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thayer Talbott
Vice President, Programs & Operations

CFMC Grants Committee - 2018 Funding Recommendation Voting Record

Organization	Amount Request'd	Notes	Cm Mem Recmn'd	Amt Rec to Date
Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries, Inc.	\$5,000		12-0-0	\$5,000
FISH for C.D.& E.	\$1,800	<i>Fully funded by another committee: \$1,800</i>		
Connection, Inc.	\$5,000	<i>J.Boccalatte abstain</i>	11-0-1 JB Abst	\$5,000
Simply Sharing, Inc.	\$5,000		12-0-0	\$3,500
St. Vincent DePaul Place	\$5,000	<i>B.Russell abstain</i>	11-0-1 BR Abst	\$5,000
Bikes for Kids, Inc.	\$2,800		11-1-0	\$2,800
Child & Family Agency Southeastern Connecticut	\$5,000	<i>T.Sistaire abstain</i>	11-0-1 TS Abst	\$5,000
Coalition on Housing & Homelessness	\$5,000		12-0-0	\$5,000
Ivoryton Playhouse Foundation	\$5,000		12-0-0	\$5,000
Salvation Army of Middletown	\$3,300		Denied 0-12-0	
Connecticut Veterans Legal Center (CVLC)	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another committee: \$2,000 Remaining request: \$3,000</i>	10-2-0	\$3,000
Valley Shore YMCA	\$2,500		9-3-0	\$2,500
Connecticut Science Center, Inc.	\$3,500		9-3-0	\$2,500

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Oddfellows Playhouse	\$5,000	<i>J.Boccalatte abstain</i>	11-0-1 JB Abst	\$4,000
Center for Children's Advocacy, Inc.	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another committee: \$3,000 Remaining request: \$2,000</i>	12-0-0	\$2,000
Children in Placement CT	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another committee: \$3,000 Remaining request: \$2,000</i>	11-1-0	\$2,000
Bushy Hill Nature Center (Incarnation Center)	\$5,000		11-1-0	\$3,000
Junior Achievement of SW New England	\$1,500		11-1-0	\$1,500
Salt Marsh Opera	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another committee: \$2,500 Remaining Request: \$2,500</i>	8-3-0	\$2,500
Adelbrook Behavioral & Development Services	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another Committee: \$1,500 Remaining Request: \$3,500</i>	9-2-0	\$3,500
Greater Middletown Chorale	\$5,000	<i>B.Kirkpatrick Abstain</i>	9-1-1 BK Abst	\$3,000
Estuary Council of Seniors, Inc.	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another Committee: \$2,000 Remaining Request: \$3,000</i>	11-0-0	\$3,000
Futures Inc.	\$5,000		11-0-0	\$3,000
Essex Historical Society	\$1,825	<i>T.Sistaire abstain</i>	7-3-1 TS Abst	\$1,825
Connecticut Gilbert & Sullivan Society	\$2,500		10-0-0	\$1,500

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Connecticut River Foundation at Steamboat Dock	\$5,000	<i>M.Whelen abstain</i>	6-3-1 MW Abst	\$3,000
Killingworth Library Association	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another Committee: \$2,000 Remaining request: \$3,000</i>	10-0-0	\$3,000
New Haven Symphony Orchestra, Inc.	\$2,000	<i>Funded by another committee: \$1,000 Remaining request: \$1,000</i>	9-1-0	\$1,000
Connecticut Humanities	\$4,800		6-4-0	\$2,500
Connecticut Legal Services	\$5,000		9-1-0	\$3,000
Cromwell Senior Center	\$2,550	<i>Funded by another committee: \$1,200 Remaining Request: \$1,350</i>	10-0-0	\$1,350
Middlesex Hospital Cancer Center	\$5,000	<i>M.Whelen abstain</i>	6-3-1 MW Abst	\$5,000
Ronald McDonald House Charities for CT and Western MA	\$3,000		7-3-0	\$3,000
YMCA of Northern Middlesex County	\$4,500		9-1-0	4500
Connecticut Audubon Society, Inc.	\$3,122		9-1-0	\$3,122
Connecticut Forest & Park Association	\$5,000	<i>Funded by another Committee: \$1,125 Remaining Request: \$3,875</i>	10-0-0	\$3,000
Friends of Chester Public Library	\$3,370		12-1-0	\$2,500

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Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center	\$3,000	M.Whelen abstain	12-0-1 MW Abst	\$1,500
Middletown School Readiness Council	\$5,000		10-2-0	\$5,000
National Conference for Community and Justice of CT and WMA, Inc. (NCCJ)	\$3,000		8-5-0	\$3,000
Buttonwood Tree (NEAR, Inc.)	\$3,800		8-5-0	\$3,800
Community Music School	\$3,000		10-4-0	\$1,500
Haddam Citizens for Scouting, Inc.	\$3,500		12-1-0	\$2,000
I-Park Foundation, Inc.	\$3,000		12-2-0	\$1,500
Kuhn Employment Opportunities	\$5,000		10-4-0	\$2,000
Middlesex County NAACP	\$5,000		14-00-0	\$1,500
Connecticut River Conservancy	\$3,500		12-2-0	\$2,500
Connecticut Storytelling Center	\$5,000		10-4-0	\$2,500
Epoch Arts	\$3,200	<i>Fully funded by another Committee</i>		
Greater Middletown Concert Association	\$2,500		11-3-0	\$1,000

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Organization	Amount Request'd	Notes	Cm Mem Recmn'd	Amt Rec to Date
Parmelee Farm	\$5,000		14-0-0	\$1,500
Central Connecticut Rowing	\$5,000		14-0-0	\$2,000
HOPE Partnership, Inc.	\$4,000		8-6-0	\$4,000
Audubon Connecticut	\$5,000		11-3-0	\$2,500
Gilead Community Services	\$5,000	<i>G. Wallace Abstain</i>	12-1-1 GW Abst	\$3,000
North End Action Team	\$5,000		Denied 0-12-0	
Clinton Sailing Club	\$5,000		Denied 1-13-0	
Macdonough Elementary School	\$5,000		Denied 0-12-0	
Middlesex Habitat for Humanity of CT	\$5,000	<i>S. Griffin Abstain</i>	13-0-1 SG Abst	\$5,000
Antiquarian & Landmarks Society	\$5,000		Denied 0-12-0	
Lower Connecticut River Land Trust	\$5,000		Denied 0-12-0	
Rushford, a Hartford Healthcare Partner	\$4,980		11-3-0	\$4,980
Coginchaug Area Transition	\$3,035	<i>Funded by another committee: \$1,685 Remaining request: \$1,350</i>	Denied 1-11-0	

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Organization	Amount Request'd	Notes	Cm Mem Recomn'd	Amt Rec to Date
Natchaug Hospital	\$5,000		Denied 1-11-0	
Close the Gap, Inc.	\$4,880		Denied 1-11-0	
BSA Troop 18 Killingworth	\$4,000	<i>Withdrawn</i>		
STEAM Train, Inc.	\$5,000		Denied 1-11-0	
CDE Cooperative Nursery School	\$1,500		Denied 1-11-0	
Madison Lyric Stage, Inc.	\$2,800		Denied 1-11-0	
Shepardfields, Inc.	\$3,500		Denied 1-11-0	
70	\$290,262			\$160,877

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Organization: Adelbrook Behavioral & Development Services
Program Name: Text to Tablets: Language Arts Tools for 21st Century Special Education Students

Description: to provide technology-based tools and accessories, such as iPads, Chrome Boxes, and Chrome Books, for students in special education programs. These tools provide access to web-based portions of the curricula, allowing for greater reading comprehension, improvement in writing skills, and enhanced focus in the classroom.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Co-funded by the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Audubon Connecticut
Program Name: Connecticut Bird Atlas

Description: To fund the Connecticut Bird Atlas to assess the distribution and abundance of breeding, migrating, and wintering birds. The end result, maps for each species, will be an invaluable tool for protecting birds and their habitats. The grant will supplement the funding for the migration work.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$2,500.00

Funded by the Janvrin Fund

Organization: Bare Necessities, Inc.
Program Name: Middlesex County diaper/wipe distribution through Clinton Food Pantry

Description: To support the growing need for diapers and wipes for families in Middlesex County. We began distributing diapers in Clinton 3 years ago; Westbrook in April 2018; & Old Saybrook in March 2018. New families request diapers each month.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Funded by Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls

Organization: Bears Pet Food Pantry, Inc.
Program Name: Equipment and Accounting Software / Pet Food

Description: to purchase equipment and software which will improve donation and stock tracking and intake as well as supplement food to support the mission of the Pet Food Pantry.

Amt Requested:
\$2,146.00

Amount Recommended:
\$2,146.00

Funded by the Animals: Respect & Friendship Fund

Organization: Bikes for Kids, Inc.
Program Name: Helmets for Maximum Protection

Description: to provide 400 new bike helmets for children receiving refurbished bikes.

Amt Requested:
\$2,800.00

Amount Recommended:
\$2,800.00

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Organization: Bushy Hill Nature Center
Program Name: Bushy Hill Camper Assistance Program

Description: to provide camperships for Middlesex County youth ages 4 to 14 to attend summer day camps.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$3,000.00

Organization: The Buttonwood Tree (NEAR, Inc.)
Program Name: Consultant for Organizaition Advancement and Capacity Building

Description: to fund extensive consulting and hands-on assistance to increase organization capacity through increased sustainability and efficiency. The consultant will assist with organizational reorganization, restructuring, and developing a strategic business plan and brand.

Amt Requested:
\$3,800.00
Amount Recommended:
\$3,800.00

Organization: Center for Children's Advocacy, Inc.
Program Name: Advocacy for Homeless Children and Youth

Description: To fund legal training, legal consultation and legal services to help homeless youth and families reduce barriers to permanent housing caused by utility arrearages, criminal records and other legal issues.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Co-funded by the At Risk Boys Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Central Connecticut Rowing
Program Name: Power 5! Get Us Closer to the Finish Line!

Description: to support the purchase of a quality, used eight-person shell for the Middletown Community Rowing Program.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$2,000.00

Organization: Child & Family Agency Southeastern Connecticut
Program Name: Essex Child Guidance Clinic

Description: To fund mental health services at our Essex child guidance clinic to Middlesex County children and their family members regardless of their ability to pay or their insurance status. With continuing state budget costs these services are more at risk.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Organization: Children in Placement CT
Program Name: Volunteers for Abused and Neglected Children in Middlesex County

Description: to support child advocacy of children in foster care and children in Middlesex County who are victims of abuse and neglect, ensuring each child a safe, permanent home as quickly as possible.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Co-Funded by the At Risk Boys Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

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Organization: Coalition on Housing & Homelessness
Program Name: Increasing Housing Options for Low and Moderate Income Households

Description: to support programs to maximize the region's capacity to solve the issues of housing and homelessness, utilizing a variety of tools including customizing housing plans to meet individual needs; creating collaborations among service providers; and increasing support for affordable housing development.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Organization: Coginchaug Area Transition
Program Name: Fencing and Irrigation System for the Giving Garden

Description: to purchase deer fencing and posts as well as an underground irrigation system for a charitable garden, the Giving Garden, to serve the Middlefield community.

Amt Requested:
\$3,035.00
Amount Recommended:
\$1,685.00

Organization: Community Music School
Program Name: New Horizons Senior Band

Description: to support the New Horizons Senior Band, which provides an entry point for seniors who have either never studied music or who have been away from music for many years, allowing them to share the joyful and therapeutic experience of recreational music making.

Amt Requested:
\$3,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$1,500.00

Organization: Connecticut Animal House, Inc.
Program Name: Middlesex County Shelter Dog Veterinary Fund

Description: to provide veterinary needs to Middlesex County municipal shelters, funding basic medical care, emergency surgeries, and rehabilitation of animals to aid in adoption and avoid euthanasia.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$3,000.00

Funded by the Animals: Respect & Friendship Fund

Organization: Connecticut Audubon Society, Inc.
Program Name: Science in Nature Education Program for Deep River Elementary School

Description: outdoor, field-based programming aimed at improving science achievement, critical thinking, and self-directed discovery.

Amt Requested:
\$3,122.00
Amount Recommended:
\$3,122.00
Funded by the Janvrin Fund

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Organization: Connecticut Forest & Park Association
Program Name: Highlawn Forest Education/Gathering Amphitheater

Description: to facilitate educational meetings and encourage hiker and CFPA member gatherings through a new outdoor amphitheater in the Highlawn Forest which will complement the Discovery Loop.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$4,125.00

Co-funded by the Katchen Coley Conservation and Beautification Fund and the Janvrin Fund

Organization: CT Gilbert & Sullivan Society
Program Name: Support for Costuming of the 2019 production of Gilbert and Sullivan's THESPIS

Description: To help fund the 2019 production of THESPIS, which will take place in October 2019. The funds will be used to underwrite a portion of the costume expenses for the theatrical production.

Amt Requested:
\$2,500.00

Amount Recommended:
\$1,500.00

Organization: Connecticut Humane Society
Program Name: Have Vet, Will Travel: Delivering Care to Pets Owned by Middletown Senior Citizens

Description: to support a free, pop-up veterinary clinic event for pets owned by Middletown senior citizens living in fixed income housing. The program will deliver accessible veterinary care, keep pets in homes and out of shelters, and ensure pets get the care required.

Amt Requested:
\$4,319.00

Amount Recommended:
\$3,000.00

Funded by the Animals: Respect & Friendship Fund

Organization: Connecticut Humanities
Program Name: Book Voyagers

Description: to bring engaging literature and learning experiences to families and children in Middletown by providing books, parental resource materials, facilitators, workshop leaders, and presenters.

Amt Requested:
\$4,800.00

Amount Recommended:
\$2,500.00

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Organization: Connecticut Legal Services
Program Name: Capacity Building for Impact and Sustainability

Description: To support the drafting and operationalizing stages of a strategic planning and rebranding initiative that will allow us to expand and improve service delivery; respond more quickly to a changing landscape; and enhance sustainability by recruiting more private funding.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$3,000.00

Organization: Connecticut River Conservancy
Program Name: Stop the Spread! Water Chestnut Monitoring and Removal in the Mattabeset River

Description: to support the monitoring and removal of European water chestnut (a manageable aquatic invasive plant) in the Mattabeset River in order to achieve seasonal management goals of annually removing 95% of plants before seed set by 2020.

Amt Requested:
\$3,500.00
Amount Recommended:
\$2,500.00
Funded by the Janvrin Fund

Organization: Connecticut River Foundation at Steamboat Dock
Program Name: Connecticut River Myths and Legends Project

Description: which uses historical artifacts, original art, and creative exhibit design to explore stories that carry cultural meaning.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$3,000.00

Organization: Connecticut Science Center, Inc.
Program Name: Next Generation Science for Middletown Elementary Students

Description: to support a district-wide collaboration with Middletown Public Schools to provide classroom Science In Motion outreach programs for students at Lawrence School.

Amt Requested:
\$3,500.00
Amount Recommended:
\$3,500.00
Funded by the Janvrin Fund

Organization: CT Storytelling Center
Program Name: Littlest Listeners

Description: emergent literacy skills. Children will hear multicultural folk tales and participate in follow up language-rich activities.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended:
\$2,500.00

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Organization: Connecticut Veterans Legal Center (CVLC)
Program Name: Removing Legal Barriers - Middlesex County

Description: to provide legal-aid services for indigent veterans who live in Middlesex County to help move them from homelessness to stable housing, poverty to sustainable income, and access to VA health care and other veteran benefits that have been wrongly denied.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Co-funded by the St. Luke's Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Connecticut Women's Education and Legal Fund (CWEALF)
Program Name: Legal Education Program

Description: to increase access to free legal information, bilingual legal advocacy, and referrals to low-cost attorneys for low-income and marginalized women in Middlesex County.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Funded by the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls

Organization: Connection, Inc.
Program Name: Basic Program Needs for Eddy Shelter of Middlesex County

Description: to provide food for Eddy Shelter guests, an average of 26-34 clients daily, and as many as 43 during winter months. This includes hot meals on Sundays throughout the year and on inclement weather days in winter as well as daily breakfast and snacks.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$5,000.00

Organization: Cromwell Senior Center
Program Name: Portable Sound System with Wireless Microphones

Description: To fund a portable wireless sound system to support senior center programming throughout the building where senior center programs are held to accommodate those with hearing loss.

Amt Requested:
\$2,550.00

Amount Recommended:
\$2,550.00

Co-funded by the St. Luke's Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Durham Middlefield Youth & Family Services
Program Name: BTW ... Can We Talk?

Description: to support the "BTW ... Can We Talk?" program which provides a safe space for young girls to find their voice on a variety of issues such as peer pressure, social media, bullying, female role models, lack of self confidence, navigating social circles, and health and wellness with the assistance of a female mentor.

Amt Requested:
\$1,000.00

Amount Recommended:
\$1,000.00

Funded by the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls

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Organization: Epoch Arts
Program Name: Speak Out Productions

Description: To fund Speak Out Productions, which consists of three of our cornerstone programs - Mini Production, Arts Response and Main Stage Theater Production. These programs offer outlets for teens to voice opinions, express feelings and work through issues that directly impact them every day.

Amt Requested:
\$3,200.00

Amount Recommended:
\$3,200.00

Funded by the At Risk Boys Fund

Organization: Essex Historical Society
Program Name: Tour of River View Cemetery

Description: To develop a tour of River View Cemetery highlighting its unique history in parallel with the growth of Essex, significant gravestones that reflect changing carving and social trends in the CT River Valley and representative stories of the people buried there.

Amt Requested:
\$1,825.00

Amount Recommended
\$1,825.00

Organization: Estuary Council of Seniors, Inc.
Program Name: Transportation Program Expansion for Seniors

Description: to expand the transportation program to include more local medical trips and expand weekly shopping trip program to residents of Clinton, Killingworth, and Westbrook as well as a lunch bus for the Clinton and Killingworth congregate meal sites.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00

Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00

Co-funded by the St. Luke's Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Everyone Outside
Program Name: Girls Outside & Women Too

Description: to expand environmental education programming to enable more girls and women experience outdoor activities, develop skills, knowledge, promote healthy living, and foster environmental stewardship.

Amt Requested:
\$2,650.00

Amount Recommended
\$2,650.00

Funded by the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls

Organization: FISH for C.D. & E.
Program Name: Free Transportation Services to Medical Appointments for Seniors and Individuals in Need

Description: to support dispatching and operating costs of the FISH program for Chester, Deep River, and Essex.

Amt Requested:
\$1,800.00

Amount Recommended
\$1,800.00

Funded by the St. Luke's Fund

Organization: Friends of Chester Public Library
Program Name: Teen/Tween STEAM Initiative

Description: to fund STEAM and Robotics programs and services that connect middle and high school students with current trends that most interest them, in an unbiased, nonjudgemental environment where they can create, problem-solve, and develop skills that are essential in today's world.

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Amt Requested:
\$3,370.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,500.00

Organization: Futures Inc.
Program Name: The Kitchen at Futures - Culinary Training and Employment - Phase 2

Description: To fund the purchase of a freezer for a second commercial kitchen that will be located on the lower level of our Middletown office building. This will ensure that space is available to store baked goods being prepared for distribution and that all health and safety standards are met.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$3,000.00

Organization: Gilead Community Services
Program Name: Auricular Acupuncture Therapy

Description: currently have four clinicians that are trained and certified and ready to start the therapy with clients once the space is ready.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$3,000.00

Organization: Girl Scouts of CT
Program Name: 2019 Campership Program

Description: to provide camperships for Middlesex County girls at summer camps and the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, helping them develop skills which will enhance academic achievement and reduce summer learning loss.

Amt Requested:
\$2,500.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,500.00

Funded by the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls

Organization: Greater Middletown Chorale
Program Name: Balancing Classical Music Deprivation Trend with A Bruckner Immersion

Description: to fund immersion in Anton Bruckner's music, continuing his tradition of unifying people.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$3,000.00

Organization: Greater Middletown Concert Association
Program Name: "Turandot" - the Right Opera for the Right Place and Time!

Description: to support a performance of "Turandot," the final opera of Puccini.

Amt Requested:
\$2,500.00
Amount Recommended
\$1,000.00

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Organization: Haddam Citizens for Scouting, Inc.
Program Name: Camp Gus Land Transfer

Description: to complete the land transfer of 26 acres of land from the ad-hoc committee of the Haddam Boy Scouts to Haddam Citizens for Scouting, Inc. (HCFS) so that the land can be maintained for the benefit of local youth. The transfer process requires a survey and title insurance.

Amt Requested:
\$3,500.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,000.00
Funded by the Janvrin Fund

Organization: High Hopes Therapeutic Riding
Program Name: Student Assistance Program

Description: to provide program fee assistance for Middlesex County students to support participation in equine-assisted activities during 2019.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,000.00
Funded by the Animals: Respect & Friendship Fund

Organization: HK Backpack Program
Program Name: HK Backpack Program

Description: to provide backpacks with non-perishable food every weekend to children in need in the towns of Killingworth, Haddam, and Higganum.

Amt Requested:
\$1,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$1,000.00
Funded by the Killingworth Community Fund

Organization: HOPE Partnership, Inc.
Program Name: Affordable Housing Administration

Description: to fund staff training on compliance with affordable housing standards, administration, and application development and screening.

Amt Requested:
\$4,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$4,000.00

Organization: I-Park Foundation, Inc.
Program Name: Experiencing Art in Nature: I-Park's Open Studios and CT Trails Days

Description: to support one CT Trails Day and seven (7) Open Studios events for the public to explore the richness of I-Park's natural and built environment, view site-specific artwork, and engage with the creative minds of the artists who found and continue to find inspiration in this site.

Amt Requested:
\$3,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$1,500.00
Funded by the Janvrin Fund

Organization: Ivoryton Playhouse Foundation
Program Name: Access for All - Installation of Hearing Assistive Devices

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Description: To help support upgrades to our sound system that will enable a new system of assistive listening devices to be installed.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00

Organization: Junior Achievement of SW New England
Program Name: Igniting the Entrepreneurial Spirit for Middletown Young Adults

Description: to provide a seven-session "JA Be Entrepreneurial" program for 120 seniors at Vinal Technical School. The program will challenge students to start an entrepreneurial venture while completing their senior year.

Amt Requested:
\$1,500.00
Amount Recommended
\$1,500.00

Organization: Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center
Program Name: Technical Booth Improvements at the Kate

Description: To fund improvements to the Kate's sound and light booth and other production elements, resulting in a better technical environment that is easy to use and will contribute to the quality of our events and those of our community partners.

Amt Requested:
\$3,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$1,500.00

Organization: Killingworth Library Association
Program Name: Consortium Program Initiation and Start - Up Costs

Description: To fund the initiation and start-up costs for the Killingworth Library Association to become part of the LION and Bibliomation Library Automation Network. Consortium membership will greatly improve patron service and will improve technology support.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00

Co-funded by the Killingworth Community Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Kuhn Employment Opportunities
Program Name: Enhanced Outreach and Engagement Services

Description: to enhance the outreach and engagement services offered by Kuhn Employment Services to individuals referred to the Middlesex County Supported Employment program.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,000.00

Organization: Living in Safe Alternatives, Inc.
Program Name: Youth Excellence Project

Description: to empower adversity and trauma-exposed boys to experience success, navigate life obstacles, and achieve resilience, including incorporating a 1:1 mentoring component.

Amt Requested:
\$1,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,000.00

Funded by the At Risk Boys Fund

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Organization: Manes & Motions Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc.
Program Name: Pathways Youth Development Program

Description: To fund equine-assisted experiential learning programming for at-risk adolescents and teens. This innovative program incorporates developing self-awareness, critical thinking, confidence, goal-setting and communication skills through guided experiential learning with horses.

Amt Requested:
\$2,938.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,000.00

Funded by the Animals: Respect & Friendship Fund

Organization: Middlesex County NAACP
Program Name: Middlesex County NAACP Branch Health Committee Health Equity Project

Description: To fund a health equity project where focus groups will identify the most salient drivers that negatively impact health outcomes for African American and Latino residents of Middlesex County. The qualitative data will prioritize what system changes are needed to promote health equity.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$1,500.00

Organization: Middlesex Habitat for Humanity of CT
Program Name: Capacity Building | Board Development and Governance Consulting

Description: To fund a consultant who will work closely with the board and executive staff to better understand the distinctions between management and corporate governance, evaluating board member performance, and board member recruitment.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00

Organization: Middlesex Hospital Cancer Center
Program Name: Shake Off Cancer

Description: to supply complete nutritional drinks which prevent or reverse malnutrition to patients in financial need who are undergoing treatment for cancer.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00

Funded by the Barbara Weeks Hart and George A. Hart Memorial Fund

Organization: Middletown School Readiness Council
Program Name: Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation

Description: to support children with severe, persistent challenging behaviors in preschool programs in order to prevent expulsions and suspensions and help the children on a path to school success.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00

Organization: National Conference for Community and Justice of CT and WMA, Inc. (NCCJ)
Program Name: NCCJ Prejudice Reduction Education Partnership

Description: to support a yearlong partnership with the Middletown Racial Justice Coalition to provide youth ages 13-19 with prejudice reduction educational programs.

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Amt Requested:
\$3,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$3,000.00

Organization: New Haven Symphony Orchestra, Inc.
Program Name: Musical Coachings for Middletown High School

Description: to provide musical coachings for the instrumental students of Middletown High School, providing fourteen (14) individual or small group coachings and three (3) large group coachings which will serve 225 students.

Amt Requested:
\$2,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,000.00

Co-funded by the Elizabeth Swaim Arts Enrichment Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters
Program Name: The Community-Based Mentoring Program

Description: To support the Community-Based Mentoring Program in Middlesex County. The program matches inspirational adult volunteers with at-risk children and teens ages 6 to 18.

Amt Requested:
\$4,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$4,000.00

Funded by the At Risk Boys Fund

Organization: Oddfellows Playhouse
Program Name: Oddfellows Playhouse Circus Programs for Youth

Description: to support the year-round circus programming serving young people, including youth who are underserved and under-resourced. The program includes after-school activities for ages 5-12, Circophony Teen Circus, and the 2019 Children's Circus of Middletown.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$4,000.00

Organization: Parmelee Farm
Program Name: Parmelee Farm Community Sugarhouse

Description: to purchase of a Leader 2x6 foot maple sap evaporator for the production of maple syrup at the Parmelee Farm Sugarhouse

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$1,500.00

Organization: Protectors of Animals, Inc.
Program Name: East Hampton Dog Shelter Flooring

Description: to purchase and install new flooring in the East Hampton dog shelter.

Amt Requested:
\$2,340.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,340.00

Funded by the Animals: Respect & Friendship Fund

Organization: Ray of Light Farm, Inc.
Program Name: Horse and Donkey Rescue and Sanctuary

Description: to facilitate the care, feeding, and rehabilitation of horses or donkeys that have arrived at Ray of Light Farm for various reasons.

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**Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00**

**Amount Recommended
\$3,500.00**

Funded by the Animals: Respect & Friendship Fund

Organization: Ronald McDonald House Charities for CT and Western MA
Program Name: Sponsor a Stay (SAS)

Description: to support families staying at the Ronald McDonald House.

**Amt Requested:
\$3,000.00**

**Amount Recommended
\$3,000.00**

Funded by the Barbara Weeks Hart and George A. Hart Memorial Fund

Organization: Rushford, a Hartford Healthcare Partner
Program Name: Support for Physical Fitness in Recovery

Description: to support client recovery through offering three-months membership to Planet Fitness post discharge from the adult inpatient unit at Silver Street, Middletown.

**Amt Requested:
\$4,980.00**

**Amount Recommended
\$4,980.00**

Organization: Salt Marsh Opera
Program Name: Kids Love Opera! presents "The Magic Flute"

Description: to support "The Magic Flute," a lively, classic opera project for 750 5th and 6th grade Middletown students. The program includes unique opportunities to experience music, while engaging in unfamiliar cultures and exploring the lessons learned for today's world.

**Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00**

**Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00**

Co-funded by the Elizabeth Swaim Arts Enrichment Fund and the CFMC Grants Committee

Organization: Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries, Inc.
Program Name: Pantry Food Distribution

Description: to support CT Food Bank and wholesale food purchases for distribution in the Westbrook, Clinton, and Old Saybrook pantries.

**Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00**

**Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00**

Organization: Simply Sharing, Inc.
Program Name: Beds and Bedding Project

Description: to purchase new mattresses, box springs, and pillows based on the needs of clients as well as sheets, blankets or comforters and frames to supplement donated items.

**Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00**

**Amount Recommended
\$3,500.00**

Community Foundation of Middlesex County
2018-2019 Grant Recommendations approved by the Board of Directors

Organization: St. Vincent DePaul Place
Program Name: Community Assistance Program

Description: to support the Community Assistance Program staff who guide people in need to find solutions to overcome homelessness, addictions, and debilitating challenges.

Amt Requested:
\$5,000.00
Amount Recommended
\$5,000.00

Organization: Valley Shore YMCA
Program Name: Fit Kids Learn to Swim Program

Description: To help fund swimming and water safety instruction for 2 groups of first graders - 1. Westbrook first graders in the Fall 2019, and 2. all Valley Shore YMCA Summer Camp first graders during the Summer 2019.

Amt Requested:
\$2,500.00
Amount Recommended
\$2,500.00

Organization: YMCA of Northern Middlesex County
Program Name: LIVESTRONG at the YMCA

Description: to support the LIVESTRONG program, an evidence-based, small group program, which assists individuals who are living with, through, or beyond cancer to strengthen their spirit, mind, and body.

Amt Requested:
\$4,500.00
Amount Recommended
\$4,500.00

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