

NIP Directory - Fiscal Year 2026

Heart and Hand House, Inc.

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304-457-1295

County

Barbour

Project Information Home Repair and Construction

Project Information

Each summer, Heart and Hand House facilitates the completion of critical home repairs for low-income, Barbour County families to improve the quality and safety of their living conditions. This year we have 9 volunteerwork teams that are involved in the projects, which may include, but are not limited to: roof replacement or repair to eliminate leaking and related home damage; repair or replacement of damaged flooring to eliminate safety hazards; plumbing installation or repairs to enable running water in the home; electrical work to repair unsafe wiring or to connect power to the home; and installation of wheelchair ramps and other accessibility features to accommodate household members with disabilities. In addition to the repair projects, our volunteer teams generally construct one new home per year or build substantial additions onto existing structures to accommodate growing families and eliminate overcrowding.

**Berkeley County Congregational Cooperative Action
Project, Inc., dba, "CCAP/Loaves & Fishes"**

549 North Queen Street
Martinsburg

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25404 **Phone**

Berkeley
304-676-7332

Project Information

Emergency Financial Assistance for Maintaining Safe Housing

Project Information

CCAP/Loaves & Fishes helps low-income residents of Berkeley County remain safely in their homes by providing assistance with rent and utilities. To give clients enough time to make necessary arrangements, CCAP/L&F negotiates with landlords to provide funding so that they can remain at least 30 days before any eviction. Monies from the NIP program will help several hundred people avoid homelessness. CCAP/L&F will also improve the quality of life for many residents by assisting in restoring their electricity and water service/or preventing shut-off of these services.

Berkeley County Meals on Wheels, Inc.

116 East King Street

Martinsburg

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25401 **Phone**

Berkeley
304-263-6622

Project Information

Berkeley County Meals on Wheels

Project Information

Berkeley County Meals on Wheels, Inc. (non-profit) provides hot, nutritious, low-cost, home delivered meals seven days a week for HOMEBOUND seniors and/or disabled and convalescing residents covering the entire 322 square miles of the County. This service allows low-income seniors to remain independent in their own home. Hot meals are prepared fresh daily and delivered mid-day Monday - Friday with weekend meals delivered on Fridays upon request. The daily home visit serves as a LIFELINE for all recipients who live alone and are isolated. Our office maintains emergency contact information on each client so that if our driver's find an unsafe situation, we are able to immediately notify the families. We save lives!

Boys & Girls Club of the Eastern PanhandlePO Box 1184
Martinsburg**County** BerkeleyWV 25402 **Phone** 304-263-1832**Project Information** Triple M - Mentoring Matters Most**Project Information**

The Boys & Girls Club of the Eastern Panhandle provides after school and summer programming to over 800 children in Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan Counties. Members receive daily access to programs in five core areas: education and career development; character and leadership development; health and life skills; the arts; and sports, fitness, and recreation. We recognize that we can make a greater impact in our members' futures with programs targeting positive youth development. Our primary focus is engaging our most needy population by providing scholarships to 50 children who are at or below the federal poverty level. As part of their scholarship, members will be matched with a mentor who provides one on one support and guidance. Currently, over seventy-five percent of our membership falls below the FPL. An annual membership per child is \$3,200. This is the cost to provide services, however, this is not what our members are responsible to pay. Community investment through grants, corporations, and individual donations help to support our members' annual fees. A nominal tuition fee per child is assessed to the member family. To assist our most needy families, a sliding tuition scale is offered and in some cases, full sponsorship is provided. We respectfully request NIP credits to support the unfunded portion of a child's membership, which is \$1,000 per child. Funding 50 members comprises 4% of our total membership.

CASA of the Eastern Panhandle, Inc.397 Mid Atlantic Parkway, Suite 3
Martinsburg**County** BerkeleyWV 25404 **Phone** 304-263-5100**Project Information** CASA-EP's Make-It-Happen Fund**Project Information**

West Virginia faces the highest per capita rate of children in foster care, according to the Annie E. Casey Foundation. This is particularly evident in the counties of the Eastern Panhandle, where nearly 800 children aged 0-18 are removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect and navigating the court and child welfare system. The shortage of foster families compounds the challenges these vulnerable children endure, often resulting in distant placements. Child welfare professionals prioritize kinship placements to minimize trauma and maintain familial and cultural ties, as they offer the best environment for overall well-being. However, many kinship caregivers lack adequate support and resources, hampering their ability to meet placement criteria and provide necessary care. Insufficient resources exacerbate stress and hinder long-term placement success. CASA-EP addresses these pressing issues through the "Make it Happen" Fund, establishing emergency resources to assist families or close family friends in meeting state requirements for kinship placements. This fund swiftly provides essential items and services, reducing the need for foster care. Provisions often include but are not limited to beds, car seats, household supplies, diapers, clothing, transportation, and medical supplies. Experts universally advocate for familial settings, within the child's community, as the optimal environment for the child's ability to thrive, be it through relatives or foster homes, as opposed to institutional settings. In the event a child is institutionalized or placed in a group setting, they often have no one to offer assistance with items needed. CASA-EP also utilizes these funds to ensure the child has the necessary items for comfort and security in an unfamiliar setting. This includes providing essential items to enhance the child's well-being and ease their transition, such as bedding, personal belongings, and other comforting items.

Community Combined Ministries Inc

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County Berkeley

Martinsburg

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25402 Phone 3042688778

Project Information Kidz Power Pacs

Project Information

The heart of Community Combined Ministries (CCM) is feeding children, souls, and empowering communities with HIS love. Our core objective is to cultivate unity across Berkeley and Jefferson counties by forging partnerships with individuals, churches, and businesses to alleviate food insecurity and address other essential needs within these communities. At the heart of our mission lies Kidz Power Pacs (KPP), our weekend food ministry operating under the CCM umbrella, alongside free community events. Through monthly gatherings, hundreds of volunteers spanning all ages come together to pack thousands of food bags, fostering a sense of solidarity and purpose while aiding those in need. CCM's objectives encompass raising awareness of the region's hunger challenges, educating on the adversities faced by children and families, dispelling the misconception that poverty is solely an issue of low income, and ensuring consistent access to nourishment for children. By fostering understanding, we aim to inspire compassion and generosity, thereby enabling CCM to continue its vital work of feeding as many children as possible. Over the years, CCM has distributed over 6 million meals to food-deprived children. Annually, we host a special Community Day in the Park, where local churches, nonprofits, and outreach agencies converge to provide essential resources and support. This event offers a day of free activities, music, and food, while also serving as an opportunity for attendees to learn about available resources and volunteer opportunities, enriching our community fabric. CCM also hosts an annual Christmas Party for all the children served through KPP. The children get to shop for toys, enjoy pictures with Santa, have a hot meal, crafts, games and each receive a large pantry box. The most profound impact we anticipate is the restoration of hope in the hearts and souls of the children we serve and the broader community that enables our mission. Together, we are stronger.

Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation

229 E. Martin Street

County Berkeley

Martinsburg

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25401 Phone 304-264-0353

Project Information Eastern WV Community Foundation Emergency Assistance, Community Service and Job Training/Education Project Information

The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation (EWWCF) uses West Virginia Neighborhood Investment Program Tax Credits to address the needs of over one-third of the 30,075 people in Berkeley, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson and Morgan Counties living at or below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level (per Census.Data.Gov). In 2026 NIP tax credits will support the following projects that assist these low-income residents in our region:1. Emergency Assistance: With the increase in cost of living continuing to outpace the increase in wages, EWWCF is experiencing high levels of demand to provide resources to fund emergency shelters for the homeless, support a wide variety of programs addressing food insecurity, and assist organizations serving victims of domestic abuse. 2. Community Service: Organizations that provide daycare, foster care, youth recreation, healthcare, transportation, shelter and food pantries for low-income families will also be supported with NIP donations to EWWCF.3. Job Training and Education: EWWCF will award grants to technical schools for job training programs, along with education and mini-grants to teachers in Title 1 schools, in all five counties we serve.EWWCF is the only organization in this five-county region that brings together a wide range of businesses, donors, charities and grantees to build innovative, creative and unique partnerships that fill an underserved population in our eastern region of West Virginia. In collaboration with the only two major grantmaking private foundations in our region, we have leveraged local donations with outside resources to provide funding for specific initiatives. With support from these corporate and family foundations, local philanthropists, nonprofit organization leaders and NIP Tax Credit Allocations, EWWCF awarded more than \$1 million in grants last year to support programs vital to the region.

For The Kids, By George

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Project Information The George Youth Scholarship Program

Project Information

For The Kids, By George Children's Museum ("The George"), has an overall goal to offer our museum experience to all children and their families in the Eastern Panhandle regardless of their ability to pay. We perform outreach to the local elementary schools as well as offer camps throughout the summer to Berkeley, Morgan and Jefferson counties. Many children in these areas are low income families are under served by extra curricula , cultural, and educational experiences. Our intent is to provide admission to our museum as well as scholarships for workshops and camps to this low income population so as to offer them the same exposure to culture and education that is enjoyed and that inspires others. We currently use private donations, ticket sales to help offset these costs. Funds from NIPPS will go towards creating even more ways to offer more learning experiences to a wider range of kids.

Habitat for Humanity of the Eastern Panhandle

630 W. Race Street

County Berkeley

Martinsburg

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25401 Phone

304-433-2663

Project Information HFHEP Safe, Affordable Housing Program

Project Information

The Habitat for Humanity of the Eastern Panhandle Safe, Affordable Housing Program provides accessible, durable and sustainable housing opportunities for low-income individuals and families in the Eastern Panhandle of WV. Partner families selected by HFHEP must live in substandard housing environments that may be structurally unsound; lack essential services such as plumbing or electricity; be severely over-crowded; or be located in government subsidized units. Income guidelines are based on HUD's income limits at the time of application with most partner families being at or below 60% of the median family income. New homes are constructed on lots owned by Habitat for Humanity EP and sold to eligible partner families through a zero-interest loan amortized over 20 years. The loan amount is such that a families' mortgage payment including taxes and insurance does not exceed 30% of their income. Partner families with two parents are required to complete 500 hours of "sweat equity" by contributing to the construction of their home, performing Habitat-related tasks, and participating in homeowner education classes. The program also provides small exterior repair services to income-eligible residents of owner-occupied housing who are willing to partner with HFHEP, are able to make affordable payments (if required), and demonstrate a need for repairs. These projects may include landscaping, deck or porch repairs, among other small projects that preserve the integrity and safety of houses. Funds raised through the NIP Tax Credit Award will be utilized to purchase materials, building sites, and other essential supplies to support these projects. Each project undertaken by our program is designed to create a safe, healthy, energy-efficient living environment for partner families to call home. With donors and community volunteers, we assist partner families in building strength, stability, self-reliance, and shelter.

Panhandle Home Health, Inc.

208 Old Mill Road

County Berkeley

Martinsburg

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25401 Phone 304-263-5680

Project Information Expanding Crisis Health Services for Underserved Households in the Eastern Panhandle

Project Information

Panhandle Home Health, Inc. (PHH) leverages West Virginia Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) Tax Credits to meet the critical health needs of 8,926 households in Berkeley, Morgan, and Jefferson Counties, all of which fall at or below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level (as per the 2022 ALICE Report). In 2025, these NIP tax credits will enable PHH to continue providing essential crisis health services to individuals in the Eastern Panhandle who meet Charity Care Program (CCP) requirements. PHH is a private, community-based, non-profit home healthcare agency that has been dedicated to serving patients of all ages in Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan Counties for over 49 years. Our mission is to enhance the well-being of our community by delivering high-quality medical services, including: • Registered Nurses • Physical, Speech, and Occupational Therapists • Social Work Services • Dietitian Services • Home Health Aides Our primary goal is to ensure full recovery from medical episodes, reduce potentially preventable hospitalizations and stabilize patients' health. We provide medically necessary care that is often critical and urgent, ensuring patients receive timely and effective treatment. PHH's Charity Care Program stands out as the only non-profit home health agency in the Eastern Panhandle offering free crisis health care services. This unique initiative embodies our mission to promote wellness and independence. By securing funding, we ensure that all patients, regardless of their financial situation, have access to comprehensive medical care. This support is vital to improving the overall health and well-being of our community. The continuation and expansion of our services through the utilization of NIP tax credits will significantly impact the health outcomes of the most vulnerable populations in the Eastern Panhandle. Your support helps us maintain this crucial resource, fostering a healthier, more resilient community.

Boone County Community Foundation

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County Boone

Madison

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Project Information Nourishing Boone County

Project Information

The Boone County Community Foundation (BCCF) will implement "Nourishing Boone County," an emergency aid and basic needs assistance initiative aimed at addressing hunger, food insecurity, and access to essential services—such as primary healthcare—throughout Boone County. Food insecurity remains a pressing issue for many local families and seniors, particularly those with limited income. A significant number of children in Boone County rely on school meals as their primary source of nutrition. For many, weekends and summer breaks mean limited access to adequate food. Through partnerships with existing food assistance programs, healthcare providers, other funders, and local agencies, BCCF will strategically leverage its resources to ensure vulnerable populations—especially low-income seniors and families—have year-round access to nutritious food and basic care. One key component of the initiative involves supporting local backpack programs that help feed children on weekends and during school breaks. These grants are essential in preventing hunger among Boone County youth when school is not in session. By continuing to coordinate with regional food networks and funding partners, "Nourishing Boone County" will facilitate shared resources, information, and referrals, creating stronger pathways to sustainable food access and support services for those in need.

A Child's Place CASA, Ltd.

613 Main Street
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County Brooke
Phone 26037 (304) 737-4444

Project Information A Child's Place CASA, Ltd.

Project Information

The Neighborhood Investment Program tax credits will be used to fund recruiting, screening, training and supervising community citizens to advocate on behalf of the abused and neglected children in Brooke & Hancock Counties West Virginia.

Cornerstone Christian Academy

300 High St.
Beech Bottom

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County Brooke
Phone 26030 304-277-7578

Project Information Cornerstone Preschool Project

Project Information

Early childhood education builds a strong foundation for children, yet many families in the Northern Panhandle face financial barriers and a lack of options that prevent their children from attending preschool during these critical early years. The Cornerstone Preschool Project expands access to high-quality early childhood education by providing scholarships for 3- and 4-year-olds to attend Cornerstone. CCA's Preschool program is effective and engaging, teaching early literacy and numeracy through creative play and hands-on learning, and it also includes instruction in special classes, such as Music, PE, and STEM.

The scholarships cover roughly 60% of tuition and will help prepare young children for kindergarten success and long-term academic achievement. In addition to improving school readiness, this project supports working families by enabling parents and caregivers to pursue employment or education, knowing their children are in a safe, enriching environment. By investing in early education through the Cornerstone Preschool Project, we aim to break cycles of poverty, close achievement gaps, and foster a brighter future for this community's youngest learners.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-State

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25701 Phone

304-522-2191

County Cabell

Project Information Increasing Youth Mentorship Opportunities in Rural Communities

Project Information

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-state provides guidance and companionship to youth through a one-to-one relationship with a caring volunteer to assist them in achieving their highest potential. This is done through a school-based mentoring program, a community-based program, high school mentoring programs, and corporate mentoring programs. Volunteers spend one-on-one quality time with at-risk children providing mentoring and friendship. What sets our mentoring program apart from many in the country is the on-going, professionally managed support that our families, children, and mentors receive during their match. Our staff of Match Support Specialists are social workers dedicated to ensuring that all parties feel safe and comfortable with the match, have the information necessary to be successful, and have support when/if things get difficult. Monthly match support conversations include conversations around activities, interests, and outings, as well as ensuring the ongoing appropriateness of the mentoring relationship and home environment. Following these match support communications, intervention is taken when needed. Our greatest challenge at Big Brothers Big Sisters is recruiting and enrolling adult mentors. This is amplified in our West Virginia region through geographic and economic challenges. Recruitment and support of youth in more rural areas requires higher levels of staffing, more intentional efforts, and more regional specific knowledge. This project will focus on rural expansion through community recruitment efforts, new school relationships, establishment of new corporate and community partnerships, and raising awareness of our services. The more we can enhance mentor recruitment, the more youth we can serve!

CONTACT Huntington, Inc.

P. O. Box 2963
Huntington

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25728 Phone

304-523-3447

County Cabell

Project Information Support for Children Healing from Sexual Abuse

Project Information

At CONTACT Rape Crisis Center, we are dedicated to providing comprehensive support to children from Cabell and Wayne counties who have experienced the trauma of sexual abuse. Our mission is to offer these young survivors and their families the compassionate care and practical assistance they need to navigate the aftermath of abuse and begin their journey toward healing. Our specially trained Child Victim Advocates play a crucial role in this process. These professionals provide emotional and practical support during forensic interviews and medical exams at the Child Advocacy Center (CAC) in Cabell Huntington Hospital. They also accompany and assist children and their non-offending caregivers as they interact with law enforcement agencies and the court system, ensuring they feel supported and understood throughout these challenging experiences. In addition to in-person support, CONTACT Rape Crisis Center offers around-the-clock assistance. Our advocates are available 24 hours a day to help with safety planning, provide counseling referrals, or simply answer questions that may arise at any time. This continuous availability ensures that children and their families always have a trusted resource to turn to, no matter when they need it. In 2024, CONTACT Advocates provided support to 245 children from Cabell and Wayne Counties who were affected by the trauma of child sexual abuse.

Developmental Therapy Center, Inc.

803 7th Avenue

County Cabell

Huntington

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25701 **Phone** 304-523-1164**Project Information** Empower Through Therapy Expansion Initiative**Project Information**

Overview of Proposed NIP Project: Empower Through Therapy Expansion Initiative Developmental Therapy Center's (DTC) Empower Through Therapy Expansion Initiative is a focused project aimed at increasing access to high-quality pediatric therapy services for children with developmental disabilities in our region. This project supports the expansion of our occupational, physical, and speech-language therapy programs to address growing needs in our community, especially among economically disadvantaged families. Through this initiative, we will expand our sliding-fee scale program, allowing more children to receive consistent, individualized therapy services regardless of their family's financial situation. Funds will be used to support direct therapy time, add supplemental therapist hours to reduce waitlists, and purchase pediatric therapy equipment essential for treatment effectiveness. Additionally, the project includes resources for caregiver support and training to help families carry therapeutic strategies into the home. By strengthening both in-clinic and at-home care, we aim to create a more comprehensive and accessible model of support for children facing developmental challenges. This initiative is not only a direct response to the overwhelming demand for services but also a proactive investment in our community's future. Waitlists continue to grow as more children are referred for therapy, and families often struggle to find timely and affordable care. By increasing capacity and removing financial barriers, we can help ensure that every child has the opportunity to thrive and gain greater independence through meaningful, developmentally appropriate interventions.

Ebenezer Medical Outreach Inc.

1448 10th Ave

County Cabell

Huntington

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25701 **Phone** 13045290753**Project Information** Ebenezer Dental Outreach**Project Information**

Huntington's Ebenezer Medical Outreach is offering life-changing free and charitable dental care for the uninsured and underserved in Cabell, Wayne, and Lincoln counties through our "Ebenezer Dental Outreach" project. Oral health is essential to overall health, yet 27% of the population lacks dental insurance - nearly three-times the rate lacking health insurance. They include the working poor, seniors with traditional Medicare, and many veterans. Through visits with our public health dental hygienist and our volunteer dentists, Ebenezer will help these neighbors keep their mouths healthy, get out of pain, avoid the emergency room, and prevent oral cancer. Supporting this project gives lots of reasons to smile!

Faith Health Appalachia

Attn: Rory Chapman

County Cabell

Huntington

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25701 Phone 304-416-2098

Project Information Neighborhood Service and Support Project

Project Information

FaithHealth Appalachia's Neighborhood Assistance Project uplifts Huntington, WV's Highlawn, Fairfield, and West End (ZIP Codes 25701-05), where poverty and limited access to resources hinder wellness. These underserved areas face challenges like transportation barriers, substance use disorders, mental health struggles, and social isolation. In the coming year, we aim to:

1. Connect Resources: Unite healthcare, faith communities, and local organizations to address physical, emotional, and spiritual needs holistically.
2. Foster Inclusion: Integrate isolated residents into the broader community for enhanced physical, emotional, and spiritual care.
3. Promote Wellness: Expand access to resources that cultivate a culture of holistic health.

How We Help:

- Partner with churches to launch tailored wellness and education programs.
- Arrange transportation for medical appointments to prevent health setbacks.
- Link individuals to community resources via dedicated connectors.
- Train Faith Community Nurses to serve local congregations.
- Combat food insecurity through fresh food partnerships. This project empowers Huntington's residents toward vibrant, connected lives.

Faith in Action of the River Cities, Inc.

1900 Third Avenue

County Cabell

Huntington

WV

25703 Phone 304-697-1274

Project Information Expanding Services to Assist with Community Mental Health

Project Information

Our project aims to improve the mental health of our communities by decreasing isolation experienced by those we serve. Our office receives numerous phone calls from community members seeking in-person visits and outings, which have become increasingly more valued within the populations we serve. Overwhelmingly, our services have centered on transportation to medical appointments and grocery stores. We hope this project changes that. Nearly every Care Receiver out of the 80 active Receivers we serve live alone. Due to physical disabilities, weakness, or diminished means of transportation, many of our community members live in isolation. We aim to reduce this isolation by extending our services to accommodate increased in-home visits, daytrip opportunities, and community organization outreach. We will accomplish these goals through our Volunteer base and community and faith-based organization relationships. We will provide activities for in-home visits, such as books, puzzles, and games. Volunteers can take these materials and spend time with our Receivers. For daytrip opportunities, we will provide \$20.00 vouchers to Care Receivers and Volunteers for a day each month. This will mitigate the costs of local activities and lunch during the outings. Finally, we will continue to connect with local youth and young adult organizations and associations within the community to provide handmade cards and crafts to our Receivers. We partnered with First United Methodist Church and Asbury Woods Winter Retreat for Valentine's Day. Youth at each organization crafted special messages to our Receivers, which received overwhelming praise from our Receivers. Our Care Receivers and Volunteers have a deeply committed relationship with each other. With an already extraordinary bond, the addition of the project's proposed visits, excursions, and community collaboration would further Receiver relationships with their neighbors, and benefit their mental wellbeing.

Foundation for the Tri-State Community, Inc.

P.O. Box 7932

Huntington

County Cabell

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25779 Phone 304-942-0046**Project Information** Building sustainable funding sources for support of at-risk individuals and their neighborhoods**Project Information**

FTSC's proposed NIP project expands the reach of WV NIP by channeling funding – generated from endowments, donor-advised funds, restricted funds, and discretionary sources – into programs that serve at-risk individuals and support neighborhood revitalization in Cabell, Wayne, and Mingo Counties. Grants are awarded to both well-established and emerging nonprofits, including Goodwill Industries, United Way, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, A.D. Lewis Center, Ronald McDonald House, YMCA, Boys and Girls Club, Huntington City Mission, Team for WV Children, Ebenezer Medical Outreach, Heritage Farm, Christian Help of Mingo County, Children's Home Society, and Larry Joe Harless Center. Field-of-interest funds support projects focused on health, wellness, education, children, and community development. Discretionary funds provide critical early-stage support, such as seed money for new programs, matching funds for grants, training for staff, and equipment or technology purchases – particularly for small organizations without the donor base to apply for WV NIP credits independently. FTSC also collaborates with other funders and community partners, including the Pallottine Foundation, James H. Harless Foundation (Mingo County), Coalfield Development Corporation, and Heritage Farm Museum (Wayne County). We support place-based revitalization through efforts like the Huntington Innovation Project (HIP), which targets three blighted neighborhoods to improve housing, infrastructure, and job opportunities. In coordination with local leaders, nonprofits, neighborhood groups, and institutions such as the City of Huntington, Mountain Health, and Marshall University, FTSC ensures that its investments have broad, lasting, and measurable impact.

Goodwill Industries of KYOWVA Area, Inc.

PO Box 7365

Huntington

County Cabell

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25776 Phone 304-525-7034**Project Information** Goodwill KYOWVA's Community Prosperity Services**Project Information**

Goodwill Industries of KYOWVA Area Inc.'s Community Prosperity Services is an ongoing project that provides Job Training & Employment supports, strategically designed to offer vulnerable populations much-needed vocational skills to obtain employment and financial stability. Our holistic programming addresses varied employment barriers by providing services in high-demand employment sectors directly responsive to area business needs. Our Community Prosperity Services project offers various Vocational Skills classes and Industrial Certifications tracks, providing résumé writing, job search strategies, interviewing skills & internships. These include: 1. Fundamental Computer Courses (six levels of digital skills training from basic computer literacy to advanced courses and AI training). 2. Forklift Certifications (teaching proper standards for forklift operations and providing the required certification). 3. Food Handler's Certification (required for all Cabell County employees who handle food and/or wash dishes). 4. Job Skills Training & Emergency Assistance Supports (via conducting BenefitsCheckUp® assessments). 5. GCF Global (offers a variety of topics including reading, math, and critical thinking). 6. On-Site Training/Independent Living Skills Training. 7. Financial Education Certifications (including budgeting, managing savings, and housing counseling). Goodwill KYOWVA cultivates collaborative communication practices that allow us to better serve our underserved communities. Our Counseling and Therapy Division provides in-person, virtual, or Telecommunication counseling sessions that fosters stabilizing behavioral health supports, which empower individuals to gain & retain high-quality employment. Participants also receive essential employability skills and appropriate interview attire.

Hospice of Huntington, Inc.

1101 Sixth Avenue

County

Cabell

Huntington, WV

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25701 **Phone**

304-633-2169

Project Information

Peace of Mind Hospice Care.

Project Information

The Neighborhood Investment Program will cover cost of services to patients of Hospice of Huntington, Inc. who are unable to pay.

Huntington Children's Museum INC

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Cabell

Barboursville

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25504 **Phone**

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Project Information

Increasing Museum Access

Project Information

Huntington Children's Museum (HCM) is dedicated to ensuring that STEAM learning opportunities are accessible to all children, particularly those facing financial hardships. Through a variety of innovative programs, the museum provides families in need with the chance to engage with its interactive exhibits and activities. One key initiative, "Museums for All," offers reduced admission of just \$2 per person during operating hours for families receiving WIC or SNAP benefits, with around 25% of visitors taking advantage of this program. Additionally, HCM has partnered with Central City Elementary, located in one of Cabell County's most economically challenged areas, to provide six complimentary field trips for students in Pre-K through third grade, along with six free family nights for all students. Central City Elementary serves over 400 students from preschool to fifth grade, with 83% classified as economically disadvantaged and 22% identifying as minority students. This year HCM is enhancing its community outreach by collaborating with organizations such as Big Brothers Big Sisters, Harmony House, the Ronald McDonald House, and Branches Domestic Violence Shelter. These partnerships aim to support at-risk populations by offering free tickets and hosting family engagement nights, fostering community connections and ensuring that individuals and families facing challenges can participate in enriching experiences. In its commitment to inclusivity, HCM plans to further expand its outreach by collaborating with after-school programs, aiming to serve even more children in the community and break down barriers to access. Through these efforts, HCM is dedicated to creating a welcoming environment where everyone can enjoy and benefit from the museum's offerings.

Huntington City Mission

62410th street

County Cabell

Huntington

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25701 Phone 304-523-0293

Project Information

Huntington City Mission Community Feeding Program

Project Information

The Huntington City Mission (HCM) operates a community-based open-to-all food service program. The Mission was founded in 1939 as a soup kitchen for men experiencing homelessness. Eighty-six years later, we continue to provide the basic needs of food to men, women, and children, while also expanding our services to include overnight shelter, clothing, education, intensive case management programs, and behavioral health services. We are the only full-service shelter within a 50-mile radius of Huntington, WV. Daily, HCM provides shelter for approximately 200 individuals, including 40 children, every night. HCM is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Our food service program provides a daily average of over 700 meals to shelter residents and community members in need. One does not have to be a client of HCM to receive meals. Anyone is welcome to eat, no questions asked. We collect certain demographic information without being intrusive to the individual. Staff members monitor the meal count collect approximate age, gender, race, and whether the individual is a community member or a current shelter client. Through this data collection, we see that more than half of all meals served are to the community at large. We serve three hot meals daily to anyone who shows up to eat. In 2024, HCM served 274,705 meals at no cost. We provided 56,097 nights of lodging, taking nearly 200 individuals off the streets each night. 80% of the individuals we served in 2024 originated from our local Tri-State area.

John W. Hereford Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington, Inc.

520 Everett Street

County Cabell

Huntington

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25702 Phone 304-523-5120

Project Information

John W. Hereford Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington

Project Information

The John W. Hereford Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington have provided shelter, safe haven, and a nurturing environment for tens of thousands of children in the Huntington area since 1959. The club, as a whole, is our Project. We provide both after school and full day summer care to the most in need students in the Huntington area. 100% of our members fall below the poverty line and/or are food insecure. We have seen an increase in the number of foster children that we are serving. The number of members who aren't living with either parent has doubled in the last year. The meals we provide are the only food some of our members will get for the day. We served over 34,000 meals to our members in 2024. We are an after school program during the school year but we are an all-day summer program each summer. We provide breakfast, a hot lunch and snacks for our members daily. In addition, our programs and services are designed with the whole child in mind. Each year, approximately 500 children between the ages of 6 and 18 participate in our Power Hour Program, which is designed to include homework assistance, tutoring enrichment, educational computer programs and field trips. We design our program with field trips and experiences for our members to help them build as many connections as possible to the real world. Both club locations, B.C. McGinnis in Guyandotte and Henrietta Payne in West Huntington, are in neighborhoods with higher rates of poverty and crime, which shows the value of the clubs' purpose as shelter and a safe haven, both after school and during the summer. We aim to we provide support for the member and family when one or more parents or guardians maybe working or seeking employment. Focusing our efforts on providing shelter, food, safety, well-being, and educational advancement of our members, we hope has led and will continue to lead them to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.

Lily's Place

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Project Information MERGE Mobile

Project Information

MERGE Mobile takes the mentoring program of Lily's Place out into the community. MERGE stands for Mentoring, Encouragement, Recovery, Guidance and Education, and is a program designed to keep the youth we serve in the best lane. MERGE is comprised of trained and employed young adults who mentor youth in the area from ages 7 to 18. Mentoring starts by building a relationship between the mentor and the youth. While there are activities involved, like helping with homework, games, art, sports, etc., the real goal and purpose is providing a safe place to be encouraged, guided, inspired and free to decompress and unload any stress they are carrying. MERGE Mobile takes the program on the road. Recognizing that transportation and scheduling can be a barrier for some families, MERGE Mobile arranges a set time to bring the mentors on-site weekly to public housing to consistently be available to the youth they serve. MERGE Mobile began by serving Marcum Terrace, and will be adding the Huntington City Mission as a location to serve. This will add an average of 16 children/youth at a time to connect to our mentors. MERGE Mobile also provides access to the behavioral health services at the Lily's Place Children's Center, including therapy, play therapy, and social/emotional educational groups.

PROACT, Inc.

800 20th Street

County Cabell

Huntington

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25703 Phone 304-696-8700

Project Information Access to Recovery Project

Project Information

At PROACT, we welcome every individual ready to embark on their recovery journey, regardless of their ability to pay. While treatment for substance use disorder—including therapy, medication, and physician services—is billed to insurance for those with coverage, we offer additional services like employment assistance, family support, and spiritual care at no cost to patients as part of our commitment to the community. For uninsured patients, our team provides guidance through the Medicaid application process. However, some individuals remain uninsured or underinsured, facing significant barriers to recovery. The Access to Recovery Fund, supported by private contributions, helps cover the cost of treatment for these patients, ensuring they can access the care they need. Addiction treatment is highly individualized, with many patients engaging in weekly sessions for months or even years until they achieve active recovery. Uninsured individuals often use less healthcare overall, and PROACT is dedicated to ensuring that financial limitations do not hinder their path to recovery. In the past 12 months, PROACT provided nearly \$200,000 in uncompensated care, a figure expected to rise as our services expand. By establishing the Access to Recovery Project, PROACT channels charitable giving to directly benefit patients while advancing our mission to support long-term recovery for all. This forward-thinking initiative ensures we can serve more individuals in need for years to come.

Recovery Point of Huntington, Inc.

1040 Adams Ave	Huntington	25704	Phone	Cabell	304-523-4673
Project Information Recovery Point Parkersburg Kitchen Upgrade					

Recovery Point West Virginia is applying for Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) support to complete essential kitchen upgrades at our long-term, peer-led recovery facility in Parkersburg. Recovery Point Parkersburg (RPP) provides a cost-free residential recovery program for up to 80 men at a time, offering structure, accountability, and support to help individuals overcome substance use disorder and build healthy, self-sufficient lives. This NIP project will fund the purchase and installation of a new commercial stove, dishwasher, hotplates, and freezer. These items are critical to the continued safe and efficient operation of the RPP kitchen, which serves three meals a day, seven days a week to residents. The current equipment is outdated and increasingly unreliable, limiting our ability to meet the demands of a full residential program. Upgrading our kitchen infrastructure will allow us to better serve our clients, maintain food safety standards, and support the day-to-day operations of our recovery community. The kitchen is more than a place to prepare food—it's a space where residents learn responsibility, contribute to their peer community, and reestablish healthy routines. Many residents take on meal preparation duties as part of their recovery journey, gaining valuable skills and a renewed sense of purpose. These upgrades will improve their experience and ensure we continue meeting nutritional needs without disruption. This project complements our larger mission by reinforcing the support systems essential to recovery. With NIP funding, Recovery Point Parkersburg can continue offering safe, stable, and dignified services to those working toward lasting recovery.

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Huntington, Inc.

1500 17th Street	Huntington	25701	Phone	Cabell	304-529-1122
Project Information Providing Access to Lifesaving Medical Care to West Virginia Children					

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Huntington offers a compassionate home-away-from-home for families with critically ill or injured children receiving treatment in Huntington, WV. Our mission is to ease the burdens families face during medical crises by providing free lodging just steps away from the hospital, along with meals, toiletries, clothing, and emotional support. Our House features amenities designed for comfort and connection, including an indoor playground, outdoor playground, kitchens, laundry facilities, and welcoming common areas—all maintained by a dedicated staff. We routinely serve families from some of West Virginia's most economically distressed counties—including Clay, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo, and McDowell—many of whom travel more than 100 miles to access the specialized care their children need. These families often face overwhelming challenges: high medical bills, lost income, the need for childcare back home, and transportation costs. By providing daily meals, basic necessities, and personalized support, we help alleviate these financial and emotional strains so parents can focus fully on their child's healing. Our mission is rooted in family-centered care and improving children's health outcomes by fostering an environment of stability, compassion, and connection. Over time, we have continued to evolve to meet the changing needs of the families we serve—ensuring they not only have a place to stay, but also access to critical resources and a supportive community. This project directly supports all families staying at Ronald McDonald House while their child receives treatment. It helps offset the financial strain of long-term displacement, provides nourishing meals, fosters emotional well-being through shared experiences with other families, and includes regular support from our Family Services Manager. Our goal is to meet each family's immediate needs while equipping them with the tools and connections they'll need when transitioning home.

St. Mary's Medical Center Foundation

2900 1st Ave
Huntington

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Cabell
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Project Information

See, Test and Treat Project for Uninsured Women - Pelvic and Breast Exams

Project Information

In Cabell, Wayne, Mason, and Lincoln Counties, WV, few organizations directly compete with the St. Mary's Medical Center Foundation's See, Test & Treat program, a single-day, culturally appropriate event providing pelvic and breast exams, Pap tests, mammograms, same-day results, follow-up care connections, interpretive services, and translated health education materials. Competing organizations include: Cabell-Huntington Health Department: Offers breast and cervical cancer screenings but lacks same-day results and comprehensive, culturally tailored services. See, Test & Treat adds value with its one-day model, ensuring rapid results and dignified care. Valley Health Systems: Provides women's health services but focuses on ongoing care, not single-day events. Our program differs by addressing barriers like time and language with a targeted, annual event. No organization in the area replicates our culturally sensitive, one-day approach, serving 60+ underserved women annually with efficiency and impact, reducing health disparities.

TEAM for West Virginia Children, Inc.

P.O. Box 1653
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304-523-9587 ex

Project Information

Western Regional CASA

Project Information

Provides advocacy for 950 child abuse victims in Boone, Cabell, Calhoun, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Mason, Putnam, Roane, and Wayne civil courts by recruiting, screening, training and supporting community volunteers known as Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA Volunteers). CASA volunteers advocate for the best interests of 500 children experiencing out-of-home care, including non-family foster care, until they are in safe, loving and permanent homes. Trained CASA staff recommend services and community resources for another 450 children while awaiting volunteer appointment.

Tri-State Huntington Homeless Shelter Mission, Inc.

624 10th Street

County Cabell

Huntington

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25701 Phone 304-523-0293

Project Information Emergency Shelter Beds**Project Information**

Tri-State Huntington Homeless Shelter (TSHHS), a fundraising arm of the Huntington City Mission (HCM), will use NIP support to sustain essential emergency shelter operations for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Until FY2024, HCM received DHHR shelter voucher funding to offset shelter costs for those we serve. That program ended in 2024 and was replaced with a competitive grant process through the WV Coalition to End Homelessness. In FY2025, HCM was awarded funding through this new process, which enabled us to staff two full-time Emergency Shelter Coordinators (one for Men's Shelter and one for Women's Shelter) and two full-time Case Managers. These staff members provide critical support, ensuring smooth daily shelter operations and offering wraparound services, including case planning, employment assistance, benefit navigation, and help securing permanent housing. However, for FY2026, our award was reduced—as it was for all competing agencies—making it financially impossible to sustain these positions solely through grant funding. To continue offering safe shelter beds and transformational services, we must now rely on individual donations even more to bridge the funding gap. This NIP project will fill this gap. With the help of donors incentivized by NIP tax credits, we aim to raise the necessary funding to maintain these four positions and ensure uninterrupted care for individuals experiencing homelessness. These roles are vital not only for daily shelter functioning but also for helping individuals and families exit homelessness permanently. This project directly complements our mission and existing services, ensuring continuity and impact for our most vulnerable neighbors.

United Way of the River Cities

820 Madison Avenue

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Project Information Creating Opportunities Together**Project Information**

Creating Opportunities Together is United Way of the River Cities' 2025 NIP Project, focused on removing systemic barriers that keep individuals and families in poverty or in the ALLICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) population. At the heart of this initiative is the launch of the Community Opportunity Plan, a bold, collaborative strategy to improve financial stability across our service region including Cabell, Lincoln, Mason, and Wayne counties. Through this project, we will convene three cross-sector task forces focused on workforce readiness, childcare, and transportation, which are three of the most pressing barriers to economic opportunity in our region. These task forces will develop actionable, community-based plans by engaging leaders from business, economic development, healthcare, education, government, nonprofit, and faith-based organizations. In addition, we will continue delivering critical direct services that improve quality of life, including free tax preparation through VITA, distribution of menstrual hygiene kits to support school and work attendance, afterschool and literacy programs, health programs, weekend backpack meals for children, hygiene kits, infant essentials, food boxes, and community meals.

Young Men's Christian Association of Huntington West Virginia

935 10th Ave
Huntington

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County Cabell
Phone 25701 304-525-8127

Project Information YMCA of Huntington Development Programs for At-risk Youth

Project Information

The YMCA of Huntington offers multiple dynamic programs for at-risk youth. These programs enrich the lives of those children who normally would not have the opportunity to participate because of cost and lack of transportation. The YMCA offers low-cost daycare, low-cost and free mentoring programs during after-school and summer hours, low-cost and free nutrition and healthy living programs, sports programs that keep kids active and healthy in a safe environment, swim lessons for kids that don't have adult swimmers in their families, and a unique warm-water pool program that provides free therapy space for developmentally disabled children. All YMCA of Huntington Youth programming is provided at less-than-operating cost, so private donations, grant funding, and West Virginia NIP credits are key to continued success of the programs. The YMCA is celebrating 140 years of service to the Huntington community, with tremendous support from the State of West Virginia and the people of the greater Huntington area.

Southern Appalachian Labor School

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County Fayette
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Project Information Southern Appalachian Labor School

Project Information

The project will prepare or provide building materials for 10 coal camp homes occupied by low-income families in Fayette County. Labor will consist of transitioning adults learning construction skills and working on their GED's along with volunteers. The project has a community center for 10 coal camp communities that provide after-school and summer education, enrichment, and a healthy food program to the youth and community residents. The project operates two food pantries.

Carnegie Hall

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County Greenbrier

Lewisburg

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Project Information Creative Futures: Expanding Arts Access in Southern West Virginia

Project Information

Carnegie Hall's Arts in Education programs bring exploratory, creative, and STEAM-based learning to students across the Greenbrier Valley. Funding through the Neighborhood Investment Program helps eliminate barriers to participation in three of our core education initiatives—Carnegie Classrooms, Link Up, and Creative Youth—ensuring that many financially limited and underserved students in southern West Virginia can benefit from high-quality arts experiences. Carnegie Classrooms are in-school, curriculum-connected, arts-integrated residencies led by trained teaching artists. These hands-on workshops link the arts with core subjects like science, history, and language arts, helping students make meaningful interdisciplinary connections and engage in the creative process as part of their regular school day. In collaboration with the Weill Music Institute at Carnegie Hall in New York, our Link Up program serves all 5th grade students in the region through a year-long, recorder-based music curriculum. Teachers receive professional development and classroom resources, and students participate in a live, interactive orchestra concert—an inspiring experience that connects classroom learning with real-world performance. Our annual Creative Youth juried art exhibition is open to all Greenbrier County students in grades 4–12, including public, private, parochial, and homeschooled learners. The program encourages visual expression, celebrates student talent, and gives young artists the opportunity to exhibit their work in a professional gallery setting. Together, these programs support arts equity, inspire creativity, and foster lifelong engagement in the arts.

Child and Youth Advocacy Center

112 Courtney Drive

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Project Information Child Abuse and Neglect Intervention Services

Project Information

The purpose of the Child & Youth Advocacy Center's NIP project is to serve victims of abuse who are living at or below the federal poverty line. The CYAC supports child victims of abuse as well as their non-offending caregivers. This project will allow the CYAC to continue to serve the most vulnerable populations in our communities. Through this project the CYAC will work with local partners to bring hope, healing, and justice to families across Greenbrier, Monroe, and Pocahontas counties. Domestic violence and violence to children bring instability into a home, and triggers a number of negative impacts. One example of how this project can help families is providing rental or utility assistance for family who can no longer rely on an alleged offenders income. Additionally this program aids in covering the cost of mental health services for children and non-offending caregivers. Families would receive all assistance free of charge and are able to utilize CYAC's services as long as they may need them.

Communities In Schools of Greenbrier County

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Project Information Integrated Student Supports**Project Information**

Communities In Schools of Greenbrier County (CISGC) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization, serving Greenbrier County since 2004. CISGC currently provides student support specialists in all public schools in Greenbrier County. CISGC offers one-on-one mentoring, tutoring and case-management services for students referred to our program due to behavioral, academic or social/emotional challenges. Our mentor programs pair students in need with a caring adult who focuses on and commits to their achievements in and out of the classroom. CISGC brings the community's talents and resources into our schools to develop group and schoolwide educational programming and to provide a host of physical resources for students and their families. Our organization is an accredited affiliate of the nation's leading drop-out prevention organization, Communities In Schools (CIS). CIS operates as a top-down model where CISGC is accredited through and receives benefits (such as operational and managerial support) from the national office. However, 100% of CISGC's funding and resources stay within Greenbrier County, West Virginia. At no time does CISGC send any funding received through grant awards, fundraisers, individual or corporate donations to the national Communities In Schools organization. This year, 471 students received one-on-one guidance and case management services, while more than 4,500 received educational programming or other services from our organization, including meal distributions, school supplies, books and holiday gifts to students and their siblings throughout Greenbrier County. Our services have become more even more intensive, focusing more on social, emotional and physical well-being rather than attendance and academics. We have adapted our program to meet the growing needs of our students through home visits, phone calls, letters home and video chats, and look to continue to adapt our program to ensure our students are safe and well.

Davis-Stuart, Inc.

163 Cottage Drive

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Project Information Permanency for West Virginia's Vulnerable Youth**Project Information**

Davis Stuart is a nationally accredited, therapeutic residential program for youth ages 12-18 who are in that custody of the state of West Virginia. Our focus is on helping the young people in the program move closer to permanency. We strive to reunite our youth with their families in a healthy and constructive manner. If family reunification is not feasible however, we work diligently with their multidisciplinary team to find a loving foster or adoptive family, or to assist in the transition into independence. The agency's main campus is located on 574 idyllic acres just outside of Lewisburg. We also operate community-based group homes in Princeton and Maxwelton. Our program offers a holistic, multifaceted approach in caring for our youth's physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being. Key program elements include group and individual therapy, PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports), medical and psychiatric services, individualized treatment planning as well as educational services designed to meet individual needs while fulfilling requirements from home school districts. Additionally, Davis Stuart offers optional programs that promote healing and an improved sense of pride in areas such as employment preparation, culinary arts, equine care/horsemanship, spiritual life, recreation and agriculture. While the optional programming is often not reimbursable through our contractual relationship with the state of West Virginia, Davis Stuart is committed to offering a well-rounded program that enriches the lives of our youth. The agency works with individual donors, community partners and funders to ensure these non-reimbursable programs continue.

Greenbrier Community School

413 Oak Street

County Greenbrier

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24901 Phone 304-793-2420

Project Information Greenbrier Community School Middle School Expansion

Project Information

Since our founding in August 1999, Greenbrier Community School (GCS) has empowered students throughout the greater Greenbrier Valley to become creators, builders, and leaders in West Virginia and beyond. GCS is a vibrant community where students from 18 months through 8th grade thrive in a nurturing environment with high academic expectations. Committed to innovative and progressive educational practices, GCS is excited to add a complete middle school program that creates dynamic, hands-on learning experiences that inspire curiosity and growth. As the only nonsectarian private school in Greenbrier County, we proudly uphold our mission without external subsidies, remaining dedicated to making education accessible—60% of our students receive scholarships. We encourage goal-setting, responsibility, leadership, and empowering students to adapt and succeed. The U.S. Department of Education's report Private Schools: A Brief Portrait highlights the benefits of private education. Private school students consistently outperform on standardized tests, graduate with stronger academic foundations, and are more likely to earn bachelor's or advanced degrees. These benefits are even more pronounced for low-income students, who are nearly four times more likely to complete college if they attend a private school. Greenbrier County, designated as an at-risk area by the Appalachian Regional Commission, includes three distressed regions. For many families, accessing education outside the public school system remains a financial challenge. The scholarships we offer at GCS open the door to alternative educational opportunities, breaking cycles of poverty, expanding possibilities, and strengthening the long-term impact of education in our community. Our middle school expansion will add new classrooms for new grades which will significantly enhance education in the region.

Greenbrier Historical Society Inc.

814 Washington Street West

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Project Information Hidden History - A Family and Schools Partnership

Project Information

The Greenbrier Historical Society's 2025-2026 NIP Project is "Hidden History-The History of Western Greenbrier County." The NIPS portion of this project consists of providing guided interactive workshops in two ways: 1) general classroom delivery to 4th, 8th, and 11th grade students in Greenbrier, Monroe, Nicholas, and Pocahontas counties 2) Providing small group workshops to caregivers and children enrolled in the Greenbrier County Family Support Center programs for SNAP and TANF recipients. The curriculum content will be aligned to state standards for Civics, Economics, Geography, and History. The purpose of the project is to broaden student's understanding of West Virginia's role in the national and local economy, understand how the geography of West Virginia contributes to its economy, and understand the Greenbrier and Meadow River watershed districts as a meeting place for culture. While GHS assumes classroom curriculum delivery reaches low income and lower income students, the projects goal is also to provide substantive and positive opportunities for care-giver and child interactions. The 4-county service area of GHS is comprised of a majority population that receives assistance in some form. A strong need exists for positive, healthy, and safe ways for caregivers and children to interact. Studies have shown that guided interactions not only improve caregiver and child relationships, but can reduce the potential for student disciplinary issues, drug use, and school dropout rates. The partnership with GHS and Greenbrier Valley Family Support Center is critical to providing support and guidance to parents, to continue to work for a better future for West Virginia's students.

Greenbrier Repertory Theatre Co., Inc.

1038 Washington Street, East	County	Greenbrier
Lewisburg	WV	24901 Phone (304) 645-3838 e

Project Information Arts for All

Project Information

Greenbrier Valley Theatre (GVT) is an institution deeply ingrained in the fabric of the Lewisburg and Greenbrier County communities. GVT continues to be dedicated to serving the local region through dynamic and diverse offerings. Between the mainstage season, the Al Jeter Music Series, and livestreams of the Metropolitan Opera, GVT provides a diverse range of cultural experiences. Moreover, our organization actively engages with the community through the Youth Education Program, local partnerships, and a variety of unique events. The impact of GVT extends far beyond artistic enrichment. Annually, GVT attracts over 10,000 patrons with an economic impact of \$7 million. GVT's commitment to community collaboration is evident through partnerships with the Greenbrier County Visitor's Bureau, United Way, the City of Lewisburg's Chocolate Festival, Carnegie Hall, and one of the local high schools, Greenbrier East High School. Our organization facilitates meetings and events, and has worked with the West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture, and History. Greenbrier Valley Theatre is not only a beacon of creativity and inspiration, but also a cornerstone of the local community serving people directly in the surrounding neighborhoods.

Greenbrier Valley Aquatic Center

896 Maplewood Ave	County	Greenbrier
Lewisburg	WV	24901 Phone 681-484-7037

Project Information 2025 Community Partnership

Project Information

The 2025 Community Partners Program is dedicated to fostering a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment for at-risk individuals in the Greenbrier Valley. Grant funding will provide scholarships to community members and partner organizations, expanding equitable access to essential wellness resources. This includes opportunities for physical activity, recreation, and stress relief in a secure facility staffed by certified lifeguards and equipped with modern, well-maintained amenities.

Shepherd's Center of Greenbrier Valley

1133 Washington St. E

County Greenbrier

Lewisburg

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24901 **Phone** 304.645.4196**Project Information** Gwen's Meals / Volunteer Care Connections**Project Information**

Shepherd's Center of Greenbrier Valley's (SCGV) Gwen's Meals and Volunteer Care Connections directly address two of the most critical challenges faced by older adults in rural communities: food insecurity and limited mobility outside the home. Many seniors struggle to access nutritious meals, either due to physical limitations, financial constraints, or lack of transportation. Gwen's Meals combats hunger, food insecurity, social isolation, and loneliness by providing regular deliveries of healthy meals, wellness checks, and regular friendly visits and wellness checks that promotes the service recipient's health and emotional well-being. In a rural region like the Greenbrier Valley, public transportation is extremely limited or nonexistent. In a rural area where public transit is scarce or nonexistent, seniors who no longer drive often struggle to attend medical appointments, pick up prescriptions, or obtain groceries and other essentials. The Volunteer Care Connections Program bridges this gap by matching older adults with volunteer drivers who provide reliable transportation for vital errands and health-related visits. Without such support, many seniors risk missed medical care, require increased dependence on emergency services, and premature institutionalization. The Shepherd's Center of Greenbrier Valley fills critical gaps in support of older adults, promoting their health, independence, and social connections, and helping them live with dignity, respect, healthy relationships, and mental stimulation in their later years. These services are not just important—they are life-sustaining and independence-preserving.

The Marvel Center, Inc.

PO Box 634

County Greenbrier

Rupert

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25984 **Phone** 681-463-8655**Project Information** Marvel Center Inc**Project Information**

Marvel Center Inc's proposed NIP project is to increase incentive for donors who want to contribute to our Mission of providing quality nutrition and early childhood education services to the the Meadow River Valley. Many of Marvel Center's unique programs and curriculum are only made possible with grants and donors. The NIP program will be of tremendous benefit to Marvel in continuing to receive the donations that make these services possible for over 60 children currently enrolled and attending the Center.

United Way of Greenbrier Valley

809 Jefferson Street, South

Lewisburg

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Greenbrier

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304-645-3555

Project Information United Way of Greenbrier Valley's Sustainable Family Support Project (SFSP)

Project Information

The goal of United Way of the Greenbrier Valley's Sustainable Family Support Project is to provide basic needs and emergency assistance to individuals and families in the Greenbrier Valley who are living below the poverty level and facing circumstances that prevent them from securing or maintaining basic needs. The Sustainable Family Support Project collaborates with local nonprofit organizations providing financial assistance to maintain vital services, such as: electricity, heat, and water, and offer necessities, such as: food, clothing, and shelter.

Wellspring of Greenbrier, Inc.

524 Nicholas Street

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Greenbrier

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304-392-2095

Project Information Wellspring's Day Haven Resource Center

Project Information

Our Day Haven program is the beating heart of what we do at Wellspring. Centered on meeting the immediate needs of our community and acting as a catalyst for helping our marginalized, low-income communities overcome the many obstacles they face while reaching true self-sustainability, the Day Haven continues to impact our neighbors in a profound way. This program offers a daily "safe haven" for the unhoused, transient, and low-income neighbors we support. At the Day Haven, individuals can meet their basic hygiene needs by utilizing our bathrooms and showers, washing their clothes in our commercial washers and dryers, eating a free community meal weekly, connecting to our free wireless internet, and get connected to a variety of community resources to better their lives or situations, all at no cost to themselves. Out of the Day Haven space, we also operate a large choice food pantry where individuals can "choose" their own items, often including an overabundance of local fresh produce and locally donated meat. The choice pantry model allows our low-income neighbors to have a say in what goes into their grocery carts and, if necessary for the individual, begin learning how to make healthier choices in their selections with the intention of meeting their own self-indicated goals. This program aims to meet the emergent needs of our distressed community and help further instill self-reliance, thereby inspiring a reduction in their reliance on government-assisted programs. In addition to these services, the Day Haven also operates as a warming center during the cold months of the year, hosts frequent educational life skills workshops (such as nutrition instruction and job readiness), and hosts various health-related screenings (such as blood pressure clinics, vaccine fairs, and health fairs). We are also thrilled, through this program, to bring a registered nurse-led outreach initiative to broaden the healthcare access of the marginalized population we serve.

West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine Foundation, Inc. 400 Lee St., N. Lewisburg

Lewisburg

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Greenbrier
304-793-6852

Project Information Physicians for West Virginia Student Scholarships

Project Information

The WVSOM Foundation will provide up to 10 scholarships of \$1,000-\$10,000 for low-income medical students from 54 high-priority counties in West Virginia who indicate they will practice medicine in the state. Priority counties have a poverty level of 17.2 percent or above (average of 21.77%), median household income of \$46,683 or less (average of \$41,086), and are designated medically underserved by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. Our project places more physicians into rural and underserved areas by prioritizing students with income at or below 125% of federal poverty level or less who are willing to practice in West Virginia. Currently, 78% of WVSOM students are living at or below 125% of poverty level and accrue an average of \$238,000 for medical school tuition and living expenses. By reducing their debt load, WVSOM Foundation enables students to practice in rural, underserved areas. WVSOM will give NIP credits to donors who give scholarship funds for immediate use or permanent endowments designated for scholarships.

The River House Inc.

24 Rickie Dawy Lane

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Capon Bridge

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540.974.5399

Project Information Art-For-All Community Connections

Project Information

The River House will continue its mission of supporting Hampshire County youth and families by offering free, year-round arts experiences through after-school and weekend programs, summer outreach, and partnerships with local organizations focused on youth engagement. This project is designed to break down social and economic barriers in rural areas by using the arts to strengthen families and build resilient communities. Our programming includes Art-for-All Saturdays at The River House, Summer Art-for-All outreach events held at public gatherings across Hampshire and Hardy Counties, and After-School Art Club sessions hosted onsite at Capon Bridge Elementary and Middle Schools during the academic year. Art projects promote hands-on learning and creative exploration through color, shape, and form, while play is intentionally used as a tool for bonding and building confidence. By offering diverse, accessible programming, we reach both public and homeschool families across a wide region. Our outreach fosters collaboration with public libraries, family resource centers, and local nonprofits. This yearlong approach supports multigenerational learning, encourages deep community ties, and allows us to create lasting connections that extend beyond county lines.

Central WV Community Action Association, Inc.

106 Frederick Street
Clarksburg

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County Harrison
Phone 26301 304-622-8495 #1

Project Information Pathways to Independence

Project Information

Central WV Community Action, Inc.'s Pathways to Independence initiative provides emergency services to low-income residents living in Lewis and Harrison Counties. NIP donations support customers who are experiencing financial challenges, with emergency rent or mortgage payments, utility payments, food assistance, transportation services to maintain employment, and other basic needs to avert deeper crises. Many of the agency's customers include the working poor, who live daily on the edge of being able to meet their basic needs. When income is lost due to lack of transportation, lack of available childcare, or health-related incidents, families can transition from vulnerable to in-crisis overnight. Similarly, sudden pop-up expenses, such as car repairs, the need to obtain new housing, unexpected babysitting costs, or medical/pharmacy expenses can mean the difference in paying or not paying a vital utility bill or making a rent payment. It is Central WV Community Action's goal to provide transitional financial support to ensure that families can meet their basic needs and can thrive. While NIP-related donations provide for the cost of customer support, the agency takes a holistic approach to assessing and meeting each customer's needs related to their overall self-sufficiency. Customers are screened by a case manager when applying for assistance, and each customer is encouraged to deepen their financial management knowledge through individualized budgeting activities. Within the agency, customers can receive long-term case management assistance, Head Start, housing services, and employment transition support. Outside referrals are made for a host of additional services as well. Lewis County and Harrison County/families living at or below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines are the target customers for the Pathways to Independence initiative.

Clarksburg History Museum, Inc.

445 West Main Street
Clarksburg

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County Harrison
Phone 26301 304-641-4549

Project Information History In Reach: Education & Access Expansion Project

Project Information

The Clarksburg History Museum will use NIP donations to strengthen community access to local heritage and historical learning opportunities by expanding educational programming, providing field trip assistance for public schools, and creating traveling exhibits that serve rural and low-income communities in Clarksburg. Funds will support the cost of busing, scholarships, and materials for student groups, in addition to enhancing the museum's capacity to deliver programs offsite at schools, and libraries. This project will improve educational outcomes while increasing pride of place in the low income population of Clarksburg and surrounding local areas.

Genesis Youth Crisis Center Inc.

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Project Information Clothing Closet

Project Information

Genesis Youth Crisis Center: Meeting Emergency Needs with DignityGenesis Youth Crisis Center currently operates three emergency crisis shelters located in Clarksburg, West Virginia. These shelters serve children ages 6–17 from all 55 counties across the state. Each child who comes through our doors has experienced trauma, and many arrive with little more than the clothes on their backs. Often, their few belongings are carried in trash bags, and they lack even the most basic hygiene supplies. Thanks to the generosity of our NLP credit donors, we are able to maintain a vital resource at each shelter: our "Clothing Closet." These dedicated spaces are stocked with essentials like:Toothbrushes & toothpasteSoap, shampoo & conditionerRazors & shaving creamFeminine hygiene productsSweatpants, t-shirts, pajamas, sweatshirts & coatsFlip flops, shoes, and sports brassSeasonal needs like bathing suits and duffel bagsWhat makes the Clothing Closet special is that it's designed to be "shopped." Youth can choose their own scents, colors, sizes, and styles—an experience that empowers them during a time of overwhelming uncertainty. Providing them the ability to make choices helps restore a sense of dignity and control when their world feels anything but stable.Your support through the Neighborhood Investment Program ensures that every child in our care has access to comfort, cleanliness, and a renewed sense of self.

Harrison County Child Abuse Task Force, Inc. d/b/a Hero's Haven Child Advocacy Center 229 West Main Street, Ste. 500
Clarksburg

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Project Information The Junior Project

Project Information

The Junior Project provides child forensic interview and family advocacy services for Junior, WV, one of Barbour County's most vulnerable communities. This initiative brings together multiple agencies in response to allegations of child sexual abuse, sexual assault, physical abuse, neglect, drug endangerment, witness to violence (including homicide), depiction in pornography, sextortion, and child trafficking. The project provides specialized forensic interviews conducted in a child-friendly environment, while multidisciplinary investigative team members view the interview in real time from an adjacent room. This approach helps to ensure that the interview is legally defensible in court, and the state-of-the-art recording system eliminates the need to repeatedly question the child victim about the abuse. The program's certified forensic interviewers specialize in specific protocols that prioritize the safety and comfort of the child and ensure that the interviewers remain unbiased. All clients referred to the program are assigned a family advocate upon intake. These advocates begin building rapport with the child's caregiver during the child's forensic interview. Family Advocates are vital pillars of the program, building and maintaining ongoing relationships essential to the victim's healing process. Advocates provide individualized support, including services such as referrals to medical and mental health professionals that specialize in trauma-informed care, applying for financial assistance through the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, obtaining Protective Orders, and access to other support services as needed. Family Advocates also provide accompaniment support throughout court hearings and jury trials. In addition, The Junior Project provides body safety education to students at Junior Elementary School. Case review meetings are held monthly in Barbour County to ensure that all investigators and service providers receive comprehensive status updates.

Health Access, Inc.

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Harrison
304-622-2708

Project Information Emergency Healthcare Assistance for Rural West Virginians

Project Information

The Emergency Healthcare Assistance for Rural West Virginians Project remains dedicated to providing free, high-quality healthcare to some of the most remote and underserved areas in the state—specifically Doddridge and Ritchie Counties. Our goal is to eliminate barriers and deliver essential services to those who need them most. This year, our objectives focus on deepening our outreach in Doddridge County while strategically expanding into Ritchie County, a rural area that is medically underserved and experiences significant health disparities. By maintaining a consistent presence at the Doddridge County Health Department and organizing targeted community events, such as our vision outreach at Doddridge County Park, we are working to close longstanding gaps in access to vital healthcare services. Local liaisons and Community Health Workers play a crucial role in helping residents navigate the healthcare system through cultural mediation, care coordination, and building trusted relationships. The project offers integrated access to primary medical care, oral and dental care, prescription assistance, and primary eye care. Services include dental evaluations, extractions, restorative treatments, and even prosthetic solutions for patients who are edentulous, helping to restore both function and self-confidence. By extending care to those with the fewest options, our approach empowers residents to lead healthier, more productive lives, thereby strengthening families and communities throughout the region.

United Way of Harrison County, Inc.

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Clarksburg

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Harrison
304-624-6337

Project Information Investing in Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed Households

Project Information

The United Way of Harrison and Doddridge Counties will be focusing on ALICE. ALICE stands for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed—a term used to describe households that earn above the Federal Poverty Level but still struggle to afford basic necessities like housing, food, healthcare, and transportation. These families often live paycheck to paycheck and face difficult financial trade-offs, such as choosing between medical care and childcare. ALICE households span all races, ages, and ethnicities. Many ALICE individuals work essential jobs—such as teachers, healthcare providers, and retail workers—but their wages do not keep up with the rising cost of living. The United Way developed the ALICE Threshold, which calculates the minimum income needed for financial survival based on local costs. In 2023, 38 million households in the U.S. were classified as ALICE, making up 29% of the population. When combined with households below the poverty level, 42% of U.S. families struggled to make ends meet. In 2023, 46% of all households were below the ALICE Threshold. We will continue to focus on our efforts to improve on these statistics over the coming year by investing in Partner Agencies and assisting ALICE Households through various programs and expanding upon those programs. Organizations such as ours use data to support ALICE households and advocate for policies that improve financial stability.

Community Foundation of Jackson County- JCCF, Inc.

108 North Church Street

County Jackson

Ripley

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25271 **Phone**

304-372-4500

Project Information Transformations: Supporting Children and Programs that Transform Lives

Project Information

Our 2025-2026 Project will focus on: Supporting Children and Programs that Transform LivesThe WVNIJP's program is expanding the reach of the Jackson County Community Foundation (JCCF) by providing funding—generated through endowments and other resources—to support impactful projects and organizations that serve individuals and families throughout Jackson County, West Virginia. Through our Donor-Advised and Field-of-Interest funds, we offer ongoing support to local nonprofits that deliver vital services to low- and moderately low-income families. Some of our key focus areas for this year will be:

- Sleep in Heavenly Peace – Our newest initiative for 2025 will provide brand-new beds and bedding to children in Jackson County who are currently sleeping on the floor or not in a bed. •Snack Pack Program – Delivers weekly backpack snacks to low-income students in Jackson County. •Adopt-a-Family and our Shop w/a Cop Programs- supply food, clothing, toys, and household necessities to low-income families across the county. •Vets 4 Vets – Provides critical support to low-income veterans, including medical equipment and assistance. •Brothers Keeper – Operates a week-long mission camp for youth in grades 6–12 to complete much-needed home repairs and improvement projects for low-income residents.

Good Shepherd Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers

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County Jefferson

Shepherdstown

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25443 **Phone** 304-876-3325

Project Information Count Me In

Project Information

Count Me In is a volunteer-based program that supports seniors and individuals with disabilities. We will offer transportation and other essential basic needs. This aligns with the mission of Good Shepherd Caregivers by supporting independent living. Transportation may be available on demand and scheduled. Volunteer drivers provide transportation for errands and appointments. If necessary transportation may be coordinated through other volunteer networks and partnerships with other organizations. Our In-Home Support Services combats loneliness, alleviates isolation, and encourages social interaction with visits and holiday cheer including weekly phone calls throughout the year. Small home repairs provide a safer, drier, and warmer environment for our clients. Volunteers with specific knowledge and skill level will tackle these request. Donated items, like cloths, groceries, and medical equipment are available to those in need. Upon enrollment and acceptance, a caring staff will assess the individual needs and connect appropriate services then schedule volunteers who can provide the requested help.

Jefferson County Community Ministries Inc.

238 W. Washington St.

County

Jefferson

Charles Town

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25414 **Phone**

304-725-3186 ex

Project Information JCCM Adult Shelter

Project Information

Jefferson County Community Ministries (JCCM) operates Jefferson County's only 24/7 low-barrier homeless shelter, providing a housing-focused environment where individuals experiencing homelessness can stabilize, access wraparound services, and take meaningful steps toward long-term self-sufficiency. Since opening in October 2024, the shelter has served more than 40 individuals, offering safe shelter, meals, and individualized support. Case managers help guests develop personalized housing and employment plans, with the goal of transitioning out of crisis and into lasting stability. Guests participate in peer-led recovery groups, access primary and behavioral healthcare through JCCM's on-site clinic, and receive meals supported by the community food pantry. These integrated services not only address immediate needs but also equip guests with the tools to resolve the root causes of housing instability. This project reflects JCCM's mission to reduce poverty and promote dignity through coordinated, client-centered care. Partnerships with the Jefferson County Adult Learning Center, West Virginia Coalition to End Homelessness (WVCEH), WVU Medicine, Everhart Counseling, and others strengthen the impact of the shelter by connecting clients to education, workforce training, and permanent housing.

Shepherdstown Day Care, Inc.

PO Box 388

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Jefferson

Shepherdstown

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304-876-1055

Project Information Education and care for children of the working poor in the Eastern Panhandle.

Project Information

Since its founding, Shepherdstown Day Care's (SDC) mission has been to serve working families of the Eastern Panhandle. West Virginia social services assistance program, known as Mountain Heart, provides a subsidy to working families (families below the 125% of the federal poverty level) whose children are enrolled in our program. This gives the parents the ability to seek employment, further their education, and otherwise aid in their endeavors to further their careers. However, the subsidy does not cover the actual cost of the program. This shortfall is approximately \$2,758 per student per year. The gap/disparity between the subsidized tuition payments and funding needed for operations grows each year. Bridging the gap and balancing SDC's budget is an on-going and ever-present challenge. Funds realized for this project will enable SDC to enroll the working poor in our educational programs, thus keeping SDC operational and our educational program strong.

American Red Cross

113 Lakeview Drive

County Kanawha

Charleston

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25313 Phone 540-270-2078

Project Information Red Cross Disaster Relief

Project Information

The American Red Cross responds to an emergency every 8 minutes. From small house fires to statewide and multi-state natural disasters, the American Red Cross goes wherever needed, so people can have clean water, safe shelter and hot meals when they need them most. Red Cross paid and volunteer staff respond to and assist an average of more than 1,000 West Virginia families impacted by disasters each year. The vast majority of disasters we respond to are home fires. More than 95% of our disaster relief workers are volunteers. Disaster teams are trained and stand ready to assist West Virginian disaster clients 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days per year. This project will provide disaster relief services, with an emphasis on immediate financial assistance for basic needs, to West Virginia families impacted by disasters big and small.

Appalachian Children's Chorus

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Charleston

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Project Information Financial Assistance Program

Project Information

The Appalachian Children's Chorus (ACC) has a history of 34 years of serving children and youth in West Virginia through its choral program which strives to provide excellence in music education. The organization was established with the understanding that the program would be made available to all children despite socioeconomic situations. For over three decades, the chorus has been able to accept all children desiring to join due to donor support. We are again asking for \$5,000 in NIP credits so that we may continue to offer children of insufficient means the ability to participate in an organization that will have a lasting impact on their lives. ACC's program fosters the personal and social growth of choristers by promoting their sense of self-esteem, group accomplishment, and personal pride in a nurturing, team-oriented environment. ACC meets all criteria detailed in the NIP program and is in collaboration with many other arts and education organizations in the area. As a member of Youth Organizations United (Y.O.U.), ACC has collaborated annually with the River City Youth Ballet Ensemble, the Children's Theatre of Charleston, and the West Virginia Youth Symphony Orchestra on a performance for school children as well as the public. ACC also collaborates with the Huntington Symphony and the West Virginia Youth Symphony for concerts to enrich the quality of life in our region. Additionally, ACC is part of FestivalALL with its Appalachian Festival of Young Voices every other year with the next festival scheduled in June 2026. Throughout its history, the organization has touched and molded the lives of thousands of children who have now taken their place in our society as successful and active members of the community.

Bible Center Church

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County Kanawha
25309 Phone (304) 346-0431 E

Project Information The Maker's Center Educational Tract

Project Information

The Maker's Center is strategically located on the West Side of Charleston and offers education and vocational classes for addiction recovery clients, clients exiting incarceration, as well as local low-income residents. The Maker's Center offers parenting classes, nutrition and cooking classes, vocational training such as floral design and wood working, as well as etiquette classes and promotion of healthy hobbies utilizing equipment such as 3D printers, laser engravers, and other technical equipment. With the recent closure of the last adult driver's education service in Charleston, The Maker's Center is the only organization that provides adult driver's education classes. Lack of transportation is one of the key contributing factors to poverty and unemployment. Expansion in all of these areas of education will allow The Maker's Center to reach more people and give them the life skills needed to lift them out of poverty. Many clients are referred through the court system and completion of these courses helps them progress out of the prison system and integrate back into society.

Bob Burdette Center, Inc.

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Charleston

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County Kanawha
25387 Phone (304) 720-0444

Project Information Bob Burdette Center Afterschool & Summer Enrichment Project

Project Information

The Bob Burdette Center, Inc. (the Center) is an afterschool and summer enrichment program for children grades kindergarten through fifth grade. The Center operates three sites with an average enrollment of 125 children attending from two West side feeder elementary schools. Our three afterschool sites include Edgewood Elementary, Emmanuel Baptist Church, and Mary C. Snow Elementary. Each site serves between 30-50 children. All program sites operate in accordance with the Kanawha County Schools (KCS) academic year calendar with additional summer programming provided all day during summer break. School year sites operate Monday through Friday, 2PM to 5:30PM. Summer session programs operate at the main HQ site (Emmanuel Baptist), 8AM to 5:30PM, weekdays. In our program, children engage in homework assistance, academic enrichment, skill-building activities, and recreational opportunities every day. Center staff provide supervision and implement curriculum such as the Second Step Violence Prevention program. Certified KCS teachers provide one-on-one and small group tutoring in reading and math as well as academic enrichment sessions. Opportunities for specialized activities are provided by community partners such as West Virginia State University (WVSU) and West Virginia University (WVU) Extension Services who provide STEM, positive youth development activities, and technical assistance. Throughout the whole year, children are provided free, nutritious meals each day that are certified and audited by the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) Office of Child Nutrition. School year provides snack and dinner while summer programs provide breakfast, lunch, and snack. These meals are free of charge and the Center is an "open feeding site" that also serves any hungry child in need during our meals.

Buckskin Council, BSA

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County Kanawha

Charleston

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25311 Phone 304-340-3663

Project Information SCOUTREACH: VALUES & SKILLS TO LAST A LIFETIME

Project Information

The mission of Scouting America Buckskin Council is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Expanding our reach the Buckskin Council is amplifying our efforts through our Scoutreach programs to deliver Scouting to more youth and specifically to those whose family's socioeconomic status makes traditional Scouting either unaffordable or unavailable. We will do so by expanding a criteria for qualification: Identifying areas in which the socioeconomic conditions meet the criteria for qualification; Identifying organizations capable of hosting a Scoutreach program in those areas; Developing an appropriate program format for the conditions in each area, the baseline of which will be the Scoutreach program, with enhancements appropriate to each area that closes the gap between Scoutreach and traditional Scouting to the greatest extent possible; Coordinate the selection of leaders and host organizations; Recruit youth to the programs in the areas targeted; Support new unit standup and monitor progress of units to ensure they are operating within established guidelines and in concert with Scouting America policies. We will directly assist youth by facilitating their participation in evidence based programming that nearly doubles the chances of them being active, healthy, participating citizens as adults. Funds raised through the NIP program assist youth and families by financing expenses related to participating in the scouting programs. Funds are used for but not limited to items such as registration, uniforms, books, activity & camping fees, awards & advancement.

Capitol Market

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County Kanawha

Charleston

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25301 Phone 3043441905

Project Information Expanding food access programming for low-income children & families

Project Information

Capitol Market seeks Neighborhood Investment Program credits to expand its food access initiatives, specifically targeting low-income children and families in Charleston and the surrounding region. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, Capitol Market is dedicated to creating a vibrant community hub that supports local farmers and entrepreneurs while advancing equitable access to fresh, healthy and locally grown food. This project builds upon Capitol Market's successful food access efforts, including longstanding partnerships with schools, senior centers, and area nonprofits. These partnerships have enabled the distribution of fresh produce and the expansion of SNAP Stretch and EBT match programs, which double the buying power of families using federal nutrition assistance. In 2025–2026, we aim to extend these initiatives further by deepening community engagement, enhancing outreach strategies and strengthening collaborations with trusted partners that serve at-risk populations. These expanded efforts will allow us to reach more individuals where they are, remove barriers to access, and build on proven strategies that have already made a meaningful difference in the community. NIP support will allow us to tailor new and expanded services for children and families, including youth-focused nutrition education, family cooking classes and more. These efforts will ensure that access to nutritious food is paired with the knowledge needed to make healthy, lasting choices. By building on existing infrastructure and leveraging strong community trust, Capitol Market is uniquely positioned to scale its impact. "Expanding Food Access Programming for Low-Income Children & Families" directly complements our ongoing work and deepens our role as both a community destination and a vital resource for vulnerable families. NIP investment in this project will help remove barriers to food security and ensure that more West Virginians have the tools and support they need to thrive.

Charleston Ballet

100 Capitol Street

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Kanawha

Charleston

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25301 Phone

3043426541

Project Information BALLET FOR ALL**Project Information**

Our BALLET FOR ALL program enables financially distressed children and families to experience the educational and cultural benefits of attending Charleston Ballet performances free of charge. Families residing in Kanawha County's low-income neighborhoods who meet the eligibility guidelines for the 125% federal poverty line will qualify. Free tickets to Charleston Ballet performances will be available for the fall, spring, and special student performances. In addition, a scholarship study program is offered to young students (ages 4 – 16) in collaboration with the Partnership of African American Churches (PAAC) Afterschool 21st Century Learning Programs and the American Academy Ballet, the official school of the Charleston Ballet, where the children take ballet classes. Attending performances through the BALLET FOR ALL program helps reinforce the connection between their ballet education and exposure to the world of dance, as well as the participating artists. This educational experience extends into families as well. Community arts programs build social capital by boosting one's ability and motivation to become civically engaged and increasing a sense of connection to the community. The arts impact high-risk youth by reducing delinquency and improving school performance.

Childhood Language Center

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Kanawha

Charleston

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Project Information Sponsor A Child**Project Information**

Since 1990, the Childhood Language Center (CLC) has helped over 3000 children with speech, language, feeding and swallowing problems. The CLC is currently assisting 115 children from 14 different WV counties and has 12 children on its waiting list. The CLC's clients are dealing with a variety of difficulties, such as Autism Spectrum Disorders, Down Syndrome, hearing impairments, developmental delays and apraxia of speech. Research has found a strong connection between a child's ability to communicate and their behavior, including behavioral, emotional and social difficulties. If a child cannot communicate with his/her outside environment, this can lead to frustration and bad behavior as the child grows. It has been calculated that it costs \$2,500 to fund a child through one year of services at the CLC, which includes 50 individual therapy sessions, the opportunity to participate in group sessions and admission to the CLC's week-long summer camp. For many families in our low-income service area the CLC is the only option for speech and language therapy because it is free to any family, unlike many programs in our service area. The Sponsor A Child program allows individuals, businesses and organizations to donate \$2,500 or more in order to ensure that all children who require communication therapy have the opportunity. The donation can be either done as a lump sum or in payments as desired. No matter how the donation is given, children who would otherwise struggle to find affordable and effective speech therapy are assisted.

Children's Home Society

1422 Kanawha Boulevard East

County Kanawha

Charleston

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25330 Phone 304-345-3894

Project Information Emergency Child Shelter

Project Information

Children's Home Society's project is to obtain the needed funds to help WV's homeless children. The project will support our 8-emergency child shelter whereas 88 children live each day waiting for a permanent home or placement. While in our care we provide all medical, psychological and educational needs. Children come to our shelters from across the state. Our shelters are located in Logan, Nicholas, Raleigh, Greenbrier, Kanawha, Wood, Hampshire and Cabell counties. Our shelter children/Youth and their families are supported through our family strengthening programs. We utilize all CHS programs to stabilize and support our children and their families while in our care. We work towards permanency for all children and utilize our foster care and adoption program to assist in permanency. Our family strengthening programs include: child advocacy center, family support centers and resource centers, early intervention programs, transitional and independent living programs, family wraparound programs, mentoring, therapy, as well as after school programming, summer youth programming and services to grandfamilies that are parenting their grandchildren. Last year our organization provided care and support services to over 18,000 children and families in some fashion. For our older youth in shelter care our goal is to get them into an independent living program if they cannot return home. The independent living program provides social work support, education, training opportunities, life skills and financial support to help these youth become successful young adults living independently. We help them with employment opportunities and/or educational opportunities to ensure they have the best possible chance of success. Our emergency child shelters are the immediate care for youth and children in crisis to ensure their safety and well-being. Our shelter youth are engaged in our local communities in order to make lifelong connections.

Children's Therapy Clinic, Inc.

113 Lakeview Drive

County Kanawha

Charleston

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25313 Phone 304-342-9515

Project Information Comprehensive Therapy Services

Project Information

Children's Therapy Clinic (CTC) provides therapy services – speech, occupational, physical and music therapies and social skills groups – to children who live in Kanawha and surrounding counties in West Virginia. CTC delivers services to children from birth to 18 years of age who present with a variety of diagnoses such as autism, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, fetal alcohol syndrome, genetic disorders, neurological impairments, developmental disorders, and exposure to drugs in utero. The clinic provides services to families that lack sufficient income and/or insurance to pay for the therapy their child requires. Services are provided on an income-based sliding-scale fee, however, most of our clients have incomes of 200% of the Poverty level or below and receive free services. CTC never turns away a child because their parents cannot pay.

Christ's Kitchen & Food Pantry, Inc.

405 B Street
Saint Albans

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County Kanawha
Phone 251 777 304-444-4374

Project Information

Project Deeper Care 4.0

Project Information

Christ's Kitchen & Food Pantry, Inc. currently provides meals to low-income and homeless people in the St. Albans and Tornado areas 5 days per week (31,997 plates in 2024), and provides monthly food every Tuesday and Thursday to families (1,970 households totaling 4,375 individuals in 2024). Our organization relies 100% on monetary and food donations. Our goal for Project Deeper Care 4.0 in FY 2026 is to continue providing eye care (exam, glasses and treatment for glaucoma and cataracts) in alliance with a local optometrist to 15 individuals, continue providing dental hygiene products (toothbrushes and toothpaste) and personal hygiene products (bar soap, shampoo, deodorant, and toilet paper) to 4,500 individuals within family units, continue providing feminine hygiene products to 80 homeless women, continue providing bottled water to 200 homeless individuals, continue providing school snack bags to 750 children during the school year, continue providing ten (10) 1-day KRT bus passes weekly upon request from our Christ's Kitchen patrons, and continue making the Christ's Kitchen dining area available as a warming and cooling station during our normal operating hours during extreme weather conditions.

Clay Center for the Arts and Sciences of WV

1 Clay Square
Charleston

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County Kanawha
Phone 253 01 304-561-3566

Project Information

Adopt-a-School

Project Information

The Clay Center for the Arts & Sciences of West Virginia will continue its successful Adopt-a-School program during the 2025-2026 school year. We will "adopt" all four Title I elementary schools in Clay County, WV, inviting at-risk elementary students for a day-long fieldtrip to the Center. Students will explore our hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) exhibits in the Avampato Discovery Museum, engage with visual art showcases in the Juliet Art Museum, and view educational films in the Caperton Planetarium. To enhance visits, students will be provided with lunch during the field trip. To further eliminate access barriers, the cost of round-trip transportation will be covered by the Clay Center. Lastly, each student will be provided with a FREE year-long family membership to the Center, a \$125 value per family, that provides unlimited museum gallery admission to two adults and all children under 18 in a household. Members will receive exclusive first access to new science and art exhibits and discounts on planetarium films.

Covenant House, Inc.

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Charleston

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25301

County Kanawha
Phone 304.344.8053 ext

Project Information Homelessness Prevention and Housing Stabilization

Project Information

Covenant House's mission is to prevent and reduce homelessness by improving food security, providing access to emergency assistance, housing advocacy, and improving access to health care. Our Service Center provides a choice food pantry; personal hygiene products; feminine hygiene products; diapers; wipes; assistance obtaining legal documents; and other referrals and information. We provide an evidence-based Housing First Program providing permanent housing for chronically homeless people, additionally, we provide short- and medium-term rental and utility assistance to prevent evictions. Covenant House also provides nutritional supplements for those living with advanced HIV/AIDS to improve their health outcomes. Through our partnership with WV Health Right, we have a full-time on-site street medicine clinic to address basic health care, testing and immunizations, and harm reduction and recovery care.

Cross Roads Pregnancy Care Center

2010 Quarrier Street
Charleston

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County Kanawha
Phone 304-344-4511

Project Information Earn While You Learn

Project Information

Cross Roads Pregnancy Care Center provides a unique program called "Earn While You Learn." This program enables clients to learn vital parenting skills while having their own personal parenting concerns addressed by trained volunteers and staff members. The Earn While You Learn program contains hundreds of educational modules, with topics ranging from first-trimester prenatal care, breastfeeding, SIDS prevention, infant care, infant sleep issues, and infant bonding, to teething, toddler care, illnesses, and much more. When a module is completed, the client earns "Baby Bucks" to be spent in our on-site baby boutique. Items such as car seats, strollers, pack-n-plays, first-aid kits, clothing, diapers, and much more may be purchased with Baby Bucks earned through taking Earn While You Learn classes. We have witnessed that babies are safer and better cared for because of this free program and the excellent care it promotes. These classes empower our clients to be better parents as well as bolster their self-confidence through helping them achieve their goals of providing material items for their children.

Daymark, Incorporated

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Kanawha

Charleston

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Project Information Feeding young bodies and minds**Project Information**

Daymark's Patchwork and Turning Point programs provide basic needs and safe shelter to youth between the ages of 12 and 20. These youth have been removed from their homes for safety reasons. Their parents are not able or willing to care for them for a variety of reasons. Daymark staff help youth focus on their futures, cope with their past trauma, and find long term solutions to their problems through life skills, social skills, and providing food, clothing, and shelter. This project focuses on the provision of food and daily one-on-one counseling. When youth feel safe, fed, and empowered, they can concentrate on short term housing as well as long term education and career goals.

DBWV Inc. DBA Dog Bless

PO Box 11191

County

Kanawha

Charleston

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25339 **Phone**

304-419-4543

Project Information Pet care assistance helps families and our community**Project Information**

This project assists low-income and unhoused dog owners who are struggling to keep their pets fed and healthy. We want to help people keep their beloved pets at home with their family as opposed to rehoming, abandoning, or surrendering to a shelter. We feel a financial situation should not stand in the way of a family having a pet to love. Some people struggle occasionally to feed their pets so we buy truckloads of pet food in bulk and distribute it via food banks and at low-income housing areas. Flea infestations are very common in homes where untreated pets live, especially in the summer months. We distribute preventative to eliminate the bites and the spread of diseases from ticks, fleas and other parasites for pets and their owners. Flea infestations can lead to frustration and opting to get rid of a pet rather than treating the source. Many people living paycheck-to-paycheck cannot afford the high cost for spay/neuter surgeries. We coordinate and pay for these procedures. We also pay for rabies vaccines and puppy vaccines. We provide pet containment products such as collars, leashes, harnesses, crates, and fencing to enable people to keep their pets safe. Keeping the pet population down and keeping pets with their families helps the shelter respond to animals who are truly in need of their services.

Faith In Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley Inc.

P.O. Box 11623

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Charleston

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25339 Phone 304-881-7253

Project Information Serving Seniors, Neighbor to Neighbor

Project Information

This project will increase our capacity to serve older neighbors in our community who have difficulty accessing basic and critical need resources. By growing our volunteer team, we will be able to offer our free programs, including transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping assistance, minor repairs with a focus on safe home environments, and social connection opportunities, to more Kanawha County seniors at a time when the demand for these services is increasing significantly. A second area of impact will be in providing for emergent needs for Kanawha County seniors, empowering intervention between crisis point and access to solution resources. We have had the good fortune to be able to purchase a washing machine for an older adult raising grandchildren, prevented utilities from being turned off, delivered food and supplies to seniors in desperate situations, and even helped a senior relocate after being evicted from her apartment. We have seen a marked increase in the need for this type of intervention, even since January of this year. With adequate funding, we can help so many more of our older neighbors who find themselves in unexpected and dire circumstances.

Festiv-ALL Charleston, West Virginia, Inc.

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25339 Phone 304-421-0419

Project Information FestivALL Neighborhood Arts Program

Project Information

FestivALL's Neighborhood Arts Program exists to connect our community's children and youth with education, engagement, and exhibition opportunities in the arts. Specifically, this program offers free art instruction and supplementary art supplies through partnerships with after-school programs, organizes youth and student art sales and free art projects through the Children's Art Fair, engages children with juried art exhibition: Art-for-ALL and Art-for-FALL, and manages Ticket Town which offers free community arts and performance event tickets through partnerships with local arts organizations. The program primarily targets Kanawha County, specifically the West Side of Charleston but is open to other areas and counties including Boone, Clay, Fayette, Lincoln, and Putnam Counties with a focus on areas with higher percentages of low-income.

Friends of West Virginia Public Broadcasting

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Project Information Daniel Tiger's Little Learners Year 3 Expansion

Project Information

This project expands Daniel Tiger's Little Learners initiative, bringing curriculum, instruction, and support to preschoolers in Clay, Lincoln, and Kanawha Counties. Based on Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood from Fred Rogers' landmark social-emotional learning curriculum, it includes classroom kits with lessons to help manage emotions and develop critical social skills while exploring and creating. Caregivers receive family activities, monthly updates, books for children, and a family night. Ambassadors from Boone County, who have implemented the program in years 1 and 2, will help train and support new educators. The communities we aim to serve exhibit resilience, creativity, and a commitment to education and meeting early learning standards. These qualities are evident in the strong attendance in years 1 and 2 of the Daniel Tiger's Little Learners Program and the dedication of families and educators who work tirelessly to promote a love of learning among children.

Gabriel Project of West Virginia

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Charleston

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25364 Phone 304-205-5865

Project Information Basics for Babies Community Assistance

Project Information

The Gabriel Project of WV helps babies in low-income families have a healthy, safe start in life through community-based immediate, caring assistance. Babies are totally dependent on adults to provide their basic survival needs. For low-income families, fulfilling their baby's basic needs is a constant daily stressful struggle. Low-income families are single parent households, wed and unwed couples, teen parents without sufficient support, and increasingly, kinship caregivers who unexpectedly receive custody of a young relative and are unprepared to meet the child's basic needs. The Gabriel Project assists these low-income families by purchasing and directly distributing formula, diapers, clothing, cribs and car seats that are cost prohibitive for impoverished families but necessities for their young child's health and well-being. We provide services according to each family's assessed needs through our network of community church sites and trained volunteers in the 27 counties of our project area. Formula, diapers and clothing are the most urgently requested basic needs. We distribute formula to families who depleted their limited monthly public nutritional assistance allocation or to families who do not qualify for public assistance yet cannot afford to adequately feed their baby. We also distribute specialized formula to low-income families whose babies have allergies, digestive problems or other medical issues. We supply diapers and infant/toddler clothes to low-income families to keep their child comfortable and to lessen health risks. The new cribs we provide give babies a safe place to sleep and reduce risks of rollover falling, positional asphyxia or other trauma. In our project area there are infants sleeping in adult beds or in wobbly strollers or baby swings because their families cannot afford a proper crib. We also distribute new car seats to secure and protect young children from death or serious injury in motor vehicle crashes or sudden stopping.

Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council

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Project Information Financial Assistance for Girl Scouts and Volunteers in Economically Distressed Areas

Project Information

Girl Scouts is the world's leading organization dedicated to the growth and development of girls into strong, successful young women. Our programming focuses on challenging girls to realize their potential, while growing into the best version of themselves along the way. At Girl Scouts, we develop girls into future leaders through programming focused around our four program pillars – STEM, Outdoors, Life Skills and Entrepreneurship. Girl Scouts is one of the only remaining organizations to focus on girls exploring what is possible, turning their dreams into reality, and helping them change the world. Through the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE), Girl Scouts have always learned the importance of persevering through adversity and drawing on the resilience and courage that are crucial to meeting challenges—skills that girls have drawn on as they've faced these obstacles. And as our members grow older, they use what they learn with us to champion better, healthier ways of living and working within their wider communities. Girls will carry the effects of the recent past with them for the rest of their lives and will use their experiences to change the face of business; bring a new perspective to daily life; and improve their own lives, our communities, and our world. In Girl Scouts, girls develop the competencies, positive values, and strong sense of self to do big things, as well as the grit and strength that are essential to solving both every day and once-a-century challenges. That's the Girl Scout difference.

Good News Mountaineer Garage

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Project Information Good News Mountaineer Garage

Project Information

Good News Mountaineer Garage (GNMG) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing safe, reliable transportation to West Virginians with lower incomes who are working toward a goal of financial independence. We do this primarily by accepting donated vehicles, making necessary repairs to those vehicles, and then providing them to qualified West Virginians to use as transportation to and from work or job training through WV Department of Human Services (WV DoHS) and Jobs & Hope of West Virginia. WV DoHSTo be eligible for a vehicle through WV DoHS a client must receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits, actively participating in the WV Works Program, have a valid West Virginia driver's license, have a child under the age of 18 in the home, and be actively employed or beginning job training. These clients are referred to GNMG by their WV Works Program case worker. Jobs & Hope of West VirginiaTo be eligible for a vehicle through Jobs & Hope of West Virginia a client must be referred through their transition agent, be over the age of 18, have a valid West Virginia driver's license, and be re-entering the workforce after overcoming a personal challenge.

Heart and Hand Outreach Ministries, Inc.

212 D Street

County Kanawha

South Charleston

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25303 Phone 304.342.0029

Project Information Basic Needs Assistance

Project Information

Since 1965, Heart and Hand Outreach Ministries, Inc. has been a place of hope and help for our neighbors in need. Every day, we walk alongside low-income individuals and families, offering support with food, clothing, household goods, furniture, and emergency utility and rent assistance. From our main location at 212 D Street in South Charleston, we serve not only South Charleston residents, but also those in the surrounding communities of St. Albans, Tornado, Dunbar, Institute, Alum Creek, and Davis Creek. Individuals who qualify for assistance receive free vouchers to shop for clothing, furniture, and housewares in our Thrift Store. We also provide access to our food pantry, diapers, and essential hygiene items. During the school year, 65 weekend food bags are lovingly packed and delivered each Friday to South Charleston Middle School, ensuring students have enough to eat when school meals aren't available. For the past three years, we've also been able to provide an average of 50 new twin beds and mattress sets each year to children newly placed in foster care—offering them comfort and stability during a difficult transition. In Putnam County, Heart and Hand is the only basic needs provider with a physical presence, supporting families with rent and utility assistance, emergency food, diapers, formula, and guidance to local resources. We also extend this care to residents of the Upper Kanawha Valley—an area often overlooked—offering critical help to families in the Riverside High School district. Our work is powered by a small but mighty staff, the tireless efforts of our dedicated volunteers, and the generosity of our community partners. Together, we're proud to make a difference in the lives of more than 15,000 individuals every year. At Heart and Hand, we believe that when one of us is hurting, all of us are called to help. Thank you for being part of this mission of compassion and care.

Hope for Appalachia, Inc.

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County Kanawha

Charleston

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25302 Phone 304-993-5693

Project Information HOPE Closet Program

Project Information

The HOPE Closet Program gives students access to toiletry items that they do not have at home or on a consistent basis. Each school that partners with us through the HOPE Closet Program is given a cabinet which is filled with toiletry items (shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant, tampons, pads, etc) and restocked throughout the school year as needed. The goal of the HOPE Closet Program is to relieve some of the stress that students experience due to hardships or inconsistencies in their home life. It gives students access to necessities that will allow them to go to school confidently and prepared to learn. The HOPE Closet program also supports school staff by supplying additional resources that they can use to help their students be successful. During the 2024-2025 school year we distributed 23,151 items throughout 91 schools in Kanawha, Clay, Putnam, Harrison, and Boone Counties. For the 2025-2026 school year we plan to expand the program 10 additional schools. Here are some stories from counselors that have a HOPE Closet in their school: "I have several homeless students at both schools that come in on a regular babes and get basic hygiene supplies and are so very appreciative and enjoy the fact that they can get the products and not bring attention to their situation. They enjoy having the privacy and discretion of the HOPE Closet" - Sissonville Elementary "Some students are struggling with their basic needs being met...some are paying rent or buying groceries for their families...and, every little bit of "school love" makes a difference....Students are always thanking me with sincerity. So, I thank you for this mission." - George Washington High School

Kanawha Charleston Humane Society

1248 Greenbrier St

County Kanawha

Charleston

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25311 **Phone** 681-542-6211

Project Information Paws & People: Serving Those Who Need Us Most

Project Information

Kanawha-Charleston Humane Association (KCHA) is dedicated to building a healthier, more compassionate community for pets and the people who love them. Through a comprehensive approach that includes pet retention services, counseling, and direct support, KCHA helps pets find loving homes—and helps families keep their animals safe, healthy, and by their side. KCHA plays a vital role in managing the local pet population by providing spay/neuter surgeries, microchipping, and vaccines to all animals in our care. In addition, KCHA offers mobile vaccinations, microchipping, and wellness exam clinics that deliver these essential services directly to underserved neighborhoods. These efforts not only prevent unwanted litters and reduce shelter intake but also increase the chances of lost pets being reunited with their families. By taking a holistic approach to basic preventative care for dogs and cats throughout Kanawha County, KCHA reduces barriers to pet wellness and strengthens the human-animal bond across the region.

Kanawha Hospice Care, Inc.

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25387 **Phone** 304-768-8523

Project Information Friends of Hospice Safety Net Program and Food Pantry

Project Information

HospiceCare has an internal program designated as "Friends of Hospice". Each year this program raises funds to help indigent HospiceCare patients and their families pay utility bills, buy clothing, pay for prescriptions and small medical equipment devices. Three years ago, we added to the list a food pantry to provide food for indigent HospiceCare patients and their families in Kanawha, Boone, Lincoln, Roane, Clay and Jackson counties. Our goal set for last year was to serve an estimated 200 families. We will also be continuing our "Snack Basket" program for patients and their families using our inpatient facilities at the Hubbard House, and the Peyton Hospice House. This program will provide free snacks to families and friends visiting in any of our facilities to make their visits feel more like home. Funds raised in the NIP will be used to pay for the meals and snacks for these programs.

Kanawha Valley Fellowship Home, Inc.

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Kanawha

Phone 304-342-8051

Project Information KVFH Sober Living Program through Structure, Action and Accountability.

Project Information

The Kanawha Valley Fellowship Home, Inc. (KVFH) has operated a transitional sober residential home for men who are serious about recovery from substance use disorder. As a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Charleston, KVFH has continually operated a structured program of action and accountability for men who are serious about maintaining sobriety since 1967. KVFH utilizes evidence-based strategies providing housing, transportation, assistance in job placement and training, reunification with friends and family, making restitution for past mistakes and wrap around services to address physical and mental health conditions. Men are treated with dignity and respect and the KVFH program promotes a 12-step recovery model that treats the whole person - spiritually, mentally and physically. KVFH has three phases that lasts from six month to three years, providing the necessary support that helps men to become productive sober members of society.

Laotong Yoga, Inc.

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Project Information Laotong Yoga - Prison Yoga Project

Project Information

Laotong Yoga Prison Yoga Project specifically focuses on coordinating and teaching weekly yoga classes in 2 WV state prisons, facilities run by the WV Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (WVDCR), and in West Virginia Alliance of Recovery Residences (WVARR) certified recovery residences where people are sent by the court system to serve diversionary sentences under community supervision (Probation, Parole, CPS, Drug Court, etc.). Women living in WVARR certified Level 3+ recovery housing programs are criminal justice impacted and they are not allowed to work outside of the facilities when they are participating in yoga classes; therefore, all LY yoga participants are not working and have no income. At the recovery residences (RR) and in our yoga classes, women are learning self-reliance and life skills to help them transition from incarceration to re-entering society successfully. Laotong Yoga will teach a total of 150+ yoga classes divided among the following facilities: 1) Lakin Correctional Center, Mason Co. - both Basic Hatha Yoga (40 classes) & Ongoing Mixed-Level Hatha Yoga (40 classes) (total of 80 classes) 2) Charleston Correctional Center, Kanawha County, RSAT, Residential Substance Abuse Treatment - Basic Hatha Yoga (40 classes) 3) Recovery Point Charleston, Kanawha Co - Variety Yoga, Meditation, and Mindfulness-Based Interventions (52-90 classes) 4) Seed Sower Manor, Fayette County, 20 classes, 4 Self-Care 101 and beginner yoga classes

Legal Aid of West Virginia

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County

Kanawha

Charleston

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Project Information Lawyer in the School Project**Project Information**

Lawyer in the School (LIS) is a legal assistance project designed to literally meet clients where they are. Staff attorneys from Legal Aid of WV work alongside volunteer attorneys from other law firms to provide free legal clinics and services at elementary schools across West Virginia. Demand and positive response led us to recently expand statewide. LIS was created to identify and assist with legal need where potential clients may not realize they have a civil legal problem; examples of these include housing stability, benefits problems, food security, custody and guardianship difficulties, domestic violence and abuse, and obstacles to income. Regular legal clinics create a reliable, safe resource for families who need assistance navigating complex issues in a legal system where those who can afford an attorney have an undeniable advantage. The schools served by LIS have found that resolving civil legal issues results in greater stability in families' home lives. When issues at home are resolved, children can remain in school and focus on their education, and many of the children served have demonstrated significant academic improvement following help from Legal Aid of WV.

Mountain Mission Inc.

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Kanawha

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Project Information Mountain Mission's Family Emergency Resource Project**Project Information**

Mountain Mission's Family Emergency Resource Project serves families and individuals in the Kanawha Valley with unexpected emergency needs with financial and in-kind aide in areas such as food, clothing, furniture, personal hygiene items, children and baby needs, certain medications, utilities, various rental and housing needs and many others. By carrying out this mission, we will support the hurting with the immediate needs and communicate the importance of education, careers and financial management in order to help them become self-sustaining members of our communities.

NTD Inc

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Charleston

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Project Information

New Triangle District Multigenerational Activity Center (MAC)

Project Information

NTD Inc. has a mission to revitalize the communities within Charleston by bringing a large-scale multi-generational activity center (MAC) to the area. The MAC will consist of two buildings: 1) the skating rink and 2) a renovated, historical building that will act as a community center and recreation hub. Over three floors, this facility will house conference rooms that will double as party spaces, business offices, and youth and family-focused recreational activities focusing on physical movement. Activity spaces will include soft play for younger children (age 3-7), indoor putt-putt golf, laser tag, and a dance floor for community events. It will also host a test kitchen for local food entrepreneurs, offering up to four vendors a chance to operate in the food court with meal options; NTD will also offer workforce development (a significant need in the area) and other supports to help people on-ramp into the workforce or develop their skills or business ideas. To fund this hub of community-led innovation, we will first open the skating rink (Year One Goal) and utilize its revenue to fund future project phases and ensure sustainability.

Rea of Hope, Inc.

1429 Lee Street East

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Kanawha

Charleston

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304-344-5363

Project Information

Rea of Hope Safe Housing and Employment

Project Information

Rea of Hope provides the following support services to women to assist them in gaining long-term self-sufficiency such as: 1. Supported Employment (job readiness, instruction on completing job applications, interviewing, appropriate dress code suggestions for employment, uniforms provided, transportation provided, instruction on how to be a reliable/dependable employee including punctuality, calling in if late or sick, and how to give proper notice if changing employment) 2. Permanent Supportive Housing (safe, sober, supportive housing provided and long-term housing available for Rea of Hope graduates and their minor children after graduation from Phase 1 of our program) 3. Abstinence Based Recovery Housing (structured, supportive alcohol and drug free housing provided)

Read Aloud WV, Inc.

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25326 Phone 3043455212**Project Information** Inspiring West Virginia Students to Read for Fun 2025-2026**Project Information**

Read Aloud West Virginia will build on success and expand to support high-need families and schools to nurture healthy reading habits. We will provide high-interest books and magazines to low-income children to tempt them into practicing the important reading skills they are taught at school. We will recruit, train, and match volunteer readers with eager classrooms in low-income areas. Readers act as "reading role models" for students. We will engage parents, grandparents, and teachers to help them nurture reading habits among their children. Innovative creative or unique: Read Aloud West Virginia is the only literacy organization to focus on student motivation from birth through high school. Read Aloud leverages the valuable out-of-school hours to improve students' reading proficiency by increasing student access to printed literature, (indicated by research as best for students). Read Aloud WV builds student reading skills in and out of school. In schools with the most consistent Read Aloud WV participation, reading scores rise. Teachers provide good, explicit instruction, and Read Aloud WV supports their efforts by contributing to children's background knowledge (the single biggest driver of reading comprehension), creating anticipation and desire around books, and helping students to discover books they enjoy. As children are motivated to read for pleasure, they hone the skills they are taught in school, and continue to add to their background knowledge, setting them up for ever more school success and lifelong learning. Many publishers, test makers, and educators assume that students must automatically suffer learning loss when they are away from school, but Read Aloud WV believes the opposite: When children are properly taught and sufficiently supported with books and opportunities, their natural curiosity will keep them learning, even during school breaks.

Rebuilding Together Charleston

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Charleston

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25330 Phone 3043434663**Project Information** Safety First Visit**Project Information**

Rebuilding Together Charleston's NIP project will expand our homeowner support, volunteer engagement, and rapid response safety efforts to ensure vulnerable residents in Kanawha and Putnam Counties can remain safely in their homes while awaiting full home repairs. This project includes enhanced homeowner intake and navigation services to help seniors and individuals with disabilities access critical repairs, home assessments, and referrals to additional community resources such as food, transportation, and utility assistance. In addition, NIP funds will support the recruitment, training, and retention of volunteers who assist with project preparation, minor repairs, and ongoing maintenance tasks. Volunteers are a vital part of our work, helping us serve more homeowners while building stronger community connections. Finally, the project will support the launch of our Safety First Visit initiative. It is a rapid response effort to address urgent safety concerns for homeowners waiting on larger-scale repairs. These short visits, typically completed in under two hours, focus on high-impact, low-cost improvements that significantly reduce immediate risks in the home. The activities can include installing grab bars to prevent falls, adding smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, placing fire extinguishers, and ensuring visible house numbers for emergency responders. Additional tasks such as replacing burnt-out light bulbs, removing minor trip hazards, and adding anti-slip strips or mats in key areas further improve household safety. By completing these interventions early in the intake process, we create safer living conditions for vulnerable residents from day one, even as they remain on our waitlist for more extensive repairs.

Religious Coalition for Community Renewal

1117 Quarrier Street

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Charleston

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Project Information Transitional Storage Center

Project Information

The Religious Coalition for Community Renewal's Transitional Storage Center located within Saint Mark's United Methodist Church is a managed storage service providing 150 secure lockers and bins to people experiencing homelessness to store their personal belongings. The homeless face several barriers in trying to obtain shelter, services, and employment. Some of these obstacles are mental health and/or substance abuse problems, chronic health problems, disabilities, lack of access to transportation, and safe storage of their personal possessions. Providing a secure storage facility for the homeless helps to unlock the barriers that prevent them from obtaining permanent housing. Working with a case manager, the client, depending on the severity of the identified barriers, can expect to spend at least 3 months and up to 18 months in the program. The goal is for the client to achieve permanent housing using a Housing First approach with supportive services and collaboration among social service providers. In addition, the Transitional Storage Center offers a street outreach service to market the program, housing focused case management, showers and laundry, harm reduction, and a boutique where individuals experiencing homelessness may redeem vouchers for clothing.

The Appalachian Reading Center, Inc.

429 3rd Ave

County Kanawha

Charleston

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25303 **Phone** 304-744-8188

Project Information Scholarships for Low-Income Dyslexic Youth

Project Information

Our goal is to provide specialized tutoring for dyslexic youth from low-income families in distressed neighborhoods. We plan to provide scholarship assistance to 20 students during the project period. These students will receive financial assistance to allow them to receive specialized tutoring that will help them improve reading and spelling skills, making them more successful in school and in life.

The Education Alliance

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Project Information Education Alliance AmeriCorps & GYO

Project Information

Evidence shows that quality teaching, targeted programming, and increased student engagement can help address longstanding educational inequities in underserved West Virginia communities. Research by Dr. Robert Balfanz of Johns Hopkins University identifies three key predictors of school success—attendance, behavior, and course performance (the “ABCs” of dropout prevention) (Myers, 2022). For over 13 years, The Education Alliance (EA) has led a statewide AmeriCorps initiative that supports at-risk students in grades 2–12. The Education Alliance AmeriCorps (EAA) program uses Balfanz’s ABC framework to identify high-need students and deliver research-based interventions designed to improve academic performance. EAA’s theory of change centers on two key strategies: addressing the teacher shortage and delivering consistent academic tutoring and mentoring to at-risk students. The program’s vision is for every West Virginia public school student to graduate ready for college, career, or advanced training. During the 2025–26 school year, EAA will implement two core interventions: 1. Accelerated Teacher Pipeline: Sixty high school juniors and seniors enrolled in their local Grow Your Own (GYO) teacher preparation programs will serve as EA AmeriCorps GYO Members. These students will complete dual enrollment and AP courses, gain practicum experience, and follow an accelerated path to a teaching degree. While in high school, they will deliver weekly classroom mini-lessons, academic tutoring, and social-emotional mentoring to at least 18 at-risk students at their practicum sites. 2. Tiered Student Support: Twenty AmeriCorps Mentors—trained, caring adults—will provide weekly one-on-one and small-group reading/math tutoring and social-emotional mentoring to 18 at-risk students each, reinforcing academic engagement and preventing dropout. Together, these interventions build a pipeline of future teachers while supporting today’s struggling learners.

Tyler Mountain/Cross Lanes Community Services

5320 Frontier Drive

County Kanawha

Cross Lanes

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25313 Phone 304-776-5813

Project Information Cross Lanes Community Emergency basic needs

Project Information

Tyler Mountain/Cross Lanes Community Services is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) social services agency that assists with emergency basic needs (food and utility assistance). TMCLCS has been helping local residents in the community since 1980. TMCLCS main operation is a food pantry with a bonus Christmas food voucher program. During the Holiday season we also assist parents with gifts of clothing and toys for their children.

Union Mission Ministries, Inc.

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25321 **Phone** 304-925-0366

County

Kanawha

Project Information Clay County Food Access for Students

Project Information

Union Mission has helped the hurting people of WV for over 113 years. Providing food for people in need is at the center of what we do. Due to the food insecurity issues increasing in Clay County, WV, Union Mission is dedicated to launching a food distribution project that puts food directly into the hand of school-aged children in need. Providing food regularly to the students at school and packaging it so it can be easily transported home when they leave will help decrease food insecurity concerns for these children. By providing food directly to children, the issues often seen with food access, like lack of transportation to visit food pantries or grocery stores and incapacitated adults suffering from substance abuse, are minimized and the most vulnerable are able to have a consistent and reliable source of food. By partnering with several local organizations, Union Mission hopes to reach as many of the 560 food insecure kids in Clay County reported by Feeding America.

United Way of Central WV

One United Way Square

Charleston

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County

Kanawha

Project Information Get Connected. Get Help.

Project Information

United Way of Central West Virginia's Information and Referral project connects people to the resources they need, when they need them most. Information and Referral provides support and assistance to those looking for non-emergent needs such as food assistance, help with utilities, rental assistance, homeless services, locating recovery support and so much more. We provide Information and Referral to our six-county coverage area of Kanawha, Putnam, Boone, Logan Clay & Braxton in addition to Cabell, Lincoln, Wayne & Mingo counties to ensure they have Information and Referral coverage. Our call specialists provide and maintain a data base of over 500 social service agencies that provide services to the counties we serve. This includes regularly updating, adding or deleting programs and resources as necessary to ensure our data base is current and accurate for callers requesting assistance. Information and Referral also works with school counselors to identify low-income children who do not have adequate shoes to be safe and healthy. Known as the "Equal Footing Shoe Fund", once identified, we provide shoes to those children at no cost directly through the school counselor. We build long-lasting relationships with school personnel, allowing them to access Information & Referral for other resources as needed for their students - such as food, mattresses and beds, etc. We use Information and Referral data to track specific needs in under resourced areas. Information and Referral is zip code driven. This data can also show us areas with fewer calls, indicating additional marketing may be needed in those communities to ensure people know this valuable resource exists. Also tracking unmet needs, this valuable part of our work can help identify the need for additional resources in our most rural, underserved areas. Information and Referral also serves to help reduce duplication of Christmas toys and food by partnering with over 30 partners in Boone, Kanawha & Putnam.

West Virginia CASA Association Inc

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25339 **Phone** 304-543-1056

Project Information CASA Continuum of Care

Project Information

WV CASA is launching the CASA Continuum of Care, a statewide initiative to transform how West Virginia supports vulnerable children and families across all stages of child welfare involvement. This project integrates three evidence-based service areas—early intervention, core-model volunteer advocacy, and post-permanency support—delivered through strategically located CASA Visitation Centers that serve as community-based service hubs. This model addresses long-standing gaps in child welfare by ensuring that families receive proactive support before, during, and after court involvement. CASA Visitation Centers provide safe, structured environments for supervised visitation, volunteer-child meetings, advocacy coordination, family coaching, and service referrals. Our approach emphasizes early family engagement, continuity of care, and long-term stability for children, especially those at risk of abuse, neglect, or reentry into the system. The CASA Continuum of Care reflects CASA's ethos: children grow best in safe, loving families, and those families need support at every stage.

West Virginia Health Right, Inc.

1520 Washington Street East

County Kanawha

Charleston

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25311 **Phone** 304-414-5931

Project Information Dental Care and Chronic Disease Education

Project Information

WV Health Right, Inc. (WVHR) is the state's oldest and largest free and charitable clinic. Since its inception in 1982, WVHR has added a variety of options to its clinical services, including health education classes, which provides tobacco cessation assistance, nutrition classes, teaching kitchen classes, and classes to help individuals manage chronic diseases such as heart disease and diabetes. In 2017, WVHR launched a state-of-the-art mobile dental clinic to provide free dental care to low-income adults in five rural counties in WV (Boone, Clay, Logan, McDowell, and Roane). Beginning July 1, 2025, WV Health Right will be adding a sixth county, Jackson, into the unit's rotation. Through this mobile dental clinic, WVHR will provide dental care and treatment to up to 1,800 impoverished uninsured/underinsured adults. In collaboration with various local healthcare partners in each service area, WVHR has adequate space and internet access to perform these services. These healthcare agencies also assist in identifying residents of their area who are eligible for these free dental services. Access to dental care services improves citizens' overall health status and decreases emergency room usage, which decreases the number of controlled substances prescribed to manage chronic tooth pain. Further, increasing oral health care access also contributes to promoting employability and economic development and stability. In addition to providing free dental services throughout rural areas, health education materials will also be provided to up to 1,800 adults to increase awareness for effectively managing chronic diseases and reducing habits that lead to chronic health conditions. These materials will be geared toward managing cardiovascular risks, diabetes, weight, hypertension, and tobacco cessation.

West Virginia Humanities Council

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Project Information Academic and Cultural Programs in Rural West Virginia

Project Information

The West Virginia Humanities Council requests tax credits for “History Alive!” presentations and traveling exhibits in eight rural, low-income counties. This year, the Council will make folklife education programs available as well. History Alive! provides audiences an interactive way to explore American history. Captivating in-person presentations bring historical figures to life with scholarly portrayals ranging from national figures like Harriet Tubman and Mark Twain to important people with West Virginia roots, such as veteran Army nurse Colonel Ruby Bradley and frontiersman Thomas Ingles. In delivering detailed, research-based presentations, the Council provides quality programming to West Virginians of all ages in the direst need of educational opportunities. Unlike History Alive!, which takes place within a compact window of time, our traveling exhibits allow more venue and visitor flexibility to reach thousands of West Virginians each year. Usually installed in local libraries, community centers, or even fast food restaurants for several weeks at a time, these exhaustively researched exhibits—such as Born of Rebellion: West Virginia Statehood and the Civil War—provide reliable historical information on popular topics to some of the most underprivileged communities in the state. The Council is also home to the West Virginia Folklife program, dedicated to the documentation, preservation, presentation and support of West Virginia’s cultural heritage and living traditions. This program fosters the work of traditional artists/practitioners and facilitates public education of these art forms. Accessible, hands-on experiences with everything from fiddle repair to mushroom foraging help impoverished families connect with their West Virginia roots and connect with a longstanding tradition of Appalachian resilience. Each of these mobile programs improves access to a wide variety of educational opportunities in communities where such exposure is in short supply.

West Virginia State University Foundation, Inc.

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Project Information WVSU Southern Counties Scholarship Program

Project Information

Founded in 1891, West Virginia State University is a public, land-grant, historically black university, serving students from across central and southern West Virginia with rich array of career-focused academic programs. WVSU has seen growth in admissions of students from southern W.V. The University acknowledges the extreme economic disadvantage that many students from areas such as Mingo, McDowell, Logan, Wyoming, Lincoln, Boone, Mercer, and Fayette Counties face when pursuing a college education. The WVSU Southern Counties Scholarship Program, coupled with other scholarship opportunities, helps encourage and support students from these areas to pursue a degree at WVSU. Many of these students are the first in their family to attend college, and the Southern Counties Scholarship provides vital assistance to help these students persist and graduate with little or no student loan debt. With this program a minimum of 10 students per semester will receive up to \$2,000 per semester to assist with tuition, fees, books and other needs based on the amount awarded. Southern West Virginia consistently ranks at or near the bottom in measures of health, income and education on statewide rankings. Statewide, 24% of West Virginians have attained a bachelor’s degree or higher. The average percentage of most southern county residents such as Mingo, McDowell, Logan, Wyoming, Lincoln, Boone, Mercer, and Fayette who have attained a bachelor’s degree is almost half of the statewide figure at 12.1%. Earning a college degree can contribute significantly to income potential, professional opportunities and overall standard of living. It is incredibly important to provide support for students within these areas to address and overcome any obstacles that may hinder their own educational attainment and professional development.

Women's Health Center of West Virginia, Inc.

PO Box 20580
Charleston

WV

25362 **Phone** (304) 714-3358

County Kanawha

Project Information Advancing Reproductive and Sexual Health Equity and Harm Reduction for Underserved West Virginians. **Project Information**

The Advancing Reproductive and Sexual Health Equity and Harm Reduction for Underserved West Virginians Project at the Women's Health Center of WV is designed to meet the urgent health needs of communities too often left behind, particularly those with low incomes, those who use drugs, and transgender individuals. This project will offer a wide range of free and sliding-scale services, including annual wellness exams, contraception, breast and cervical cancer screenings, STI testing and treatment, and screenings for heart disease, depression, and intimate partner violence. In addition, the project will provide free harm reduction services, such as overdose prevention education and supplies to reduce the transmission of HIV and hepatitis C among people who use drugs. Finally, it will deliver accessible, gender-affirming hormone therapy and supportive care to transgender patients, services that are often unavailable or withheld due to stigma and systemic discrimination. By bringing these essential, lifesaving resources under one roof in a compassionate and affirming environment, this project aims to improve health outcomes, reduce disparities, and restore dignity and trust in healthcare for West Virginia's most marginalized residents.

YWCA Charleston

1426 Kanawha Blvd, East
Charleston

WV

25301 **Phone** 304-340-3643

County Kanawha

Project Information Emergency shelter, transitional & permanent housing, and education for low-income families in need. **Project Information**

YWCA of Charleston, West Virginia, Inc. (YWCA Charleston) works to improve the well-being of some of the most vulnerable women and families in Kanawha, Clay, and Boone counties by providing a continuum of care and services. YWCA programs provide emergency shelter, mental health and substance abuse counseling, education, advocacy, nourishment, and safe homes primarily for women and children in poverty, although we do serve homeless men who have custody of their children.

LIGHTHOUSE FELLOWSHIP CORPORATION

1137 US HWY 19 N

County Lewis

JANE LEW

WV

26378 **Phone** 304-844-7060

Project Information Lighthouse Fellowship Transition Level Three Project

Project Information

Lighthouse Fellowship Transition Level Three Project- Lighthouse Fellowship gives aid for direct needs to individuals that are transitioning from rehabilitation to clean and sober living in the form of housing, food, jobs, counseling, and other needs. The vision is to help individuals, families, and the community by providing a critical service that is needed to respond to the crisis that exists in our highly distressed rural community. The outreach has been in progress helping two groups of individuals; those with a strong support system and those with a minimal support system. The outreach is expanding to level three which will help those with no support system. 1. Level One has been in progress for five years. It is providing transitioning individuals that have a support system with driver's jobs, counseling, and other help as needed. The majority are men. 2. Level Two has been in progress for 1 year 4 months. It is providing transitioning individuals that have only minimal support systems with restaurant jobs, counseling, and housing. There are no rent deposits, or first month's rent requirements and other allowances are given based on circumstances. Providing jobs is not just pay for work. Individuals have problems getting and keeping jobs. They are problematic employees often with criminal records that require training, counseling, and special handling. 3. Level Three began in March 2024 and is ongoing. It is providing transitioning individuals that do not have support systems with jobs, counseling, housing, food, supplies, and other help.

Southern West Virginia Community College Foundation, Inc. P. O. Box 1886 Logan WV

County Logan

Logan

WV

25601 **Phone** 304-896-7423

Project Information Excellence 50 Years and Beyond

Project Information

Southern WV Community College Foundation will launch two campaigns to raise scholarship funds to assist students in our service areas. First, the Greg Dotson First Generation Scholarship with a goal of \$20,000.00 by June 30, 2026. The second initiative will be to grow Southern's general scholarship funds by an additional \$20,000.00 in year 2026. The foundation plans to distribute \$30,000.00 in scholarships and an additional \$15,000.00 in student assistance for educational and emergency assistance.

Connecting Link, Inc.

Administrative Office

County

Marion

Fairmont

WV

26554 Phone

304-363-4882

Project Information Emergency Financial Assistance

Project Information

Connecting Link's community based Emergency Financial Assistance Program aids low-income individuals and families by meeting the immediate crisis financial need while empowering them by connecting to resources such as employment, training, medical providers, counseling, etc. Funds are utilized to stop primary utility termination, prevent evictions, purchase prescription medications, provide job or medical appointment transportation assistance and housing the homeless. We also may provide in house budget counseling and assistance with emergency food resources. Our Emergency Assistance Program has the capacity to assist in alleviating homelessness, hunger, and poverty situations by empowering clients to be more self-reliant and to rely less on public assistance.

Fairmont State Foundation, Inc.

1300 Locust Avenue

County

Marion

Fairmont

WV

26554 Phone

(304) 333-3760

Project Information Fairmont State University NIP Scholarship and Student Support Fund

Project Information

One of Fairmont State University's core values is being a great place for everyone to learn. One integral aspect of this core value is being cognizant of the obstacles students from all backgrounds face and connecting them with the tools and resources they need to graduate and thrive. Financial concerns are often one of the most significant barriers preventing first-generation students from persisting in obtaining their post-secondary education. Since finances are a main obstacle for many first-generation college students, Fairmont State University and the Fairmont State Foundation are committed to continuing the success of the NIP Scholarship Fund program for first-generation students. Since 2012, nearly 40 percent of Fairmont State's graduates have been first-generation students; currently, 43 percent of incoming, first year students are first-generation students. The Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) Scholarship Fund provides opportunities to economically disadvantaged students attending Fairmont State University, with priority given to first-generation college students. All NIP scholarships will be awarded to students who reside in Fairmont State University's 13-county primary geographic service area. Food insecurity at universities is a growing concern affecting many students across West Virginia. In response, some universities are establishing food pantries to provide immediate assistance; Fairmont State started The Nest to meet this need in 2021. To address this challenge, Fairmont State will continue to provide reliable access to sufficient quantities of affordable, nutritious food as well as other needed items such as clothing or personal care supplies. These factors can significantly impact students' academic performance and overall well-being. The Nest not only provides immediate assistance but is committed to educating students about available resources to help alleviate stigma and encourage utilization of support services.

Pricketts Fort Memorial Foundation

88 State Park Road

County

Marion

Fairmont

WV

26554 **Phone**

(304)363-3030

Project Information Pricketts Fort School Tour Incentive Program FY26

Project Information

The Pricketts Fort Memorial Foundation's goal with this project is to provide low-income schools within our service area with an opportunity to visit Pricketts Fort for a unique educational experience. The hands-on activities that the students participate in during their visit will demonstrate important life skills needed to survive on the western Virginia frontier in the 18th century, with a background of the historic period of Pricketts Fort. Students will be exposed to a wide range of historic arts while being introduced to the artisans and processes. Donations will allow classes to participate in this program.

Task Force on Domestic Violence, "HOPE, Inc."

PO Box 626

County

Marion

Fairmont

WV

26555 **Phone**

(304)367-1100

Project Information Bringing New HOPE to those who need it most!

Project Information

HOPE, Inc. is a private, non-profit United Way agency that is licensed by the WV Family Protection Services Board to provide shelter and outreach services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families in Marion, Harrison, Lewis, Doddridge, and Gilmer counties. HOPE's emergency shelter has been in operation since 1980 and is the only shelter facility for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in our five-county area. While receiving shelter, victims receive services that ensure their safety and allow them to seek alternatives to their current situation. Last year, 108 victims were housed for 4107 nights. For most victims we serve, shelter is their last option physically, emotionally, and financially. Our facility is handicapped accessible, while providing a safe, home-like environment for victims and their families. Most of our clients come to us with only the clothes on their back, so their needs are numerous. Our goal is to be able to provide our clients with the assistance they need to start fresh. This year our project will focus on providing our clients with the necessary financial assistance to make the move from shelter to a home of their own, free from abuse. To accomplish this goal, our clients need financial assistance in many different forms. The most basic forms would be rent and rental deposits, but often due to financial abuse, their needs are more numerous. They often need non-basic items such as paying to replace lost documents, a washer/dryer for those moving to rural areas with no transportation, minor car repairs so they can get to work, childcare costs until they qualify for assistance, etc. These financial needs often keep a victim from moving on from an abusive situation. Our goal at HOPE is not only to provide a temporary safe haven for our clients, but to help them achieve independence to survive on their own.

Tygart Valley United Way (of Marion County)

221 Washington Street

County Marion

Fairmont

WV

26554 **Phone** 304-366-4550

Project Information Community Impact Program

Project Information

Our Community Impact Program brings together three powerful initiatives designed to build a stronger, healthier region across Marion, Randolph, Taylor, Barbour, and Tucker counties. By focusing on financial stability, health, and education, we're working to ensure that everyone in our community has the opportunity to thrive. WV 211 – Information & Referral: Available 24/7/365, WV 211 serves as a vital lifeline, connecting individuals and families to local resources and support—from food and housing to mental health services and more. VITA & MyFreeTaxes: Through free tax preparation assistance, either online or with the help of IRS-certified volunteers, this program helps families maximize their refunds and save on costly filing fees—putting more money back into their pockets when they need it most. United for Kids: By stocking 50 school-based pantries with essential personal hygiene and health items, this initiative helps students stay healthy, confident, and ready to learn every day. These efforts are all part of our mission to mobilize our community to action—so all can thrive. United is the Way.

Union Rescue Mission

107 Jefferson St.

County Marion

Fairmont

WV

26554 **Phone** 304-363-0300

Project Information URM Community Services

Project Information

Union Rescue Mission (URM) provides three daily meals, safe shelter, and life recovery programming for the least, the last, and the lost, 365 days a year, to anyone in need and all URM Genesis Life Recovery Program residents. The Better Place Shelter is a low-barrier emergency shelter offering accommodations for 28 men and 13 women, as well as separate facilities for parents with children. All spaces include showers and laundry facilities. The Genesis Life Recovery Program, URM's long-term life recovery initiative, can house 12 men, 12 women, and four single parents with children. Our faith-based approach aims to transform lives and address addiction, despair, and life-dominating problems. We empower individuals to survive and thrive throughout recovery by imparting essential life and social skills. URM will also be adding two new programs: 1) Parent Reunification Program for the biological parents of children in the foster care system. 2) November 2025 - March 2026, the Better Place Day Shelter will be open during inclement weather when other community services are unavailable, including evenings, weekends, and holidays.

Community Foundation of Mason County/MCCF, Inc.

108 North Church Street

County Mason

Ripley

WV

25271 **Phone** 304-675-6002**Project Information** SOS: SUPPORT OF SERVICES**Project Information**

The Mason County Community Foundation's focus for 2025-2026 is "assisting low income families" with (SOS) Support of Services for basic survival needs. The NIP credits will assist the MCCF by providing money for these projects through grants, scholarships, and other endowments. Families within Mason County will be the beneficiary of these services. Our donor-advised and field-of-interest funds help provide the important ongoing support for families throughout the county. Organizations such as Leon Elementary School area, Family Resource Network, The MAWC (Mission Advocacy Work camp) at Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church, Mountain Health Network, and the Dickens Family Mergency Fund will be provided support. It has always been our focus to support local youth and children in our area. We are definitely going to continue this support. The newly established Leon (Rural southwest Mason County with a poverty level of 63.93%) Lion's, their school mascot, General Store was established in the 2024-25 school year to meet basic needs of their one hundred students and families. These needs include tennis shoes of all sizes, appropriate school clothing, and basic toiletries. Our new primary focus will be on this project. The MCCF will assist the Presbyterian Church with their homeless feeding program. Since its inception in April of 2025 they have been providing lunches to the homeless. The funding to the Vets for Vets will be monetary donations for ramps.

Childlaw Services, Inc.

1709 W. Main Street

County Mercer

Princeton

WV

24740 **Phone** 304-425-9973**Project Information** Roots of Hope**Project Information**

Roots of Hope is a donor engagement campaign designed to sustain and expand the life-changing work of Childlaw Services, Inc.—West Virginia's only non-profit law firm exclusively representing children. This project will use Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) tax credits to incentivize charitable contributions, helping us continue to provide legal advocacy and holistic support to children across the multiple counties we serve. Through Roots of Hope, we will maintain our essential legal services for children involved in abuse and neglect cases while strengthening our outreach to underserved and rural communities. The credits will be used to encourage both new and returning donors to invest in child-centered justice, expanding our impact through vital programs such as: Legal representation in abuse, neglect, and custody proceedings; integrative therapy and trauma-informed care for children in crisis; The Breathe after-school program, which provides mentorship, safety, and support; Teen Court, a peer-led diversion program that gives youth a second chance outside of the traditional juvenile justice system. First Book - a program dedicated to placing a book in the hands of children we serve. Helping Hands - a program dedicated to helping the children we serve, to include birthday cards, Christmas presents, etc. This one-year initiative will serve children and families throughout the counties in our service area, targeting communities with limited access to legal and mental health support. Our impact will be measured by the number of children we serve through court representation, counseling services, after-school programming, and youth diversion opportunities. In collaboration with key partners such as Child Protect and the Mercer County Board of Education, Roots of Hope will help ensure that no child falls through the cracks of the system—because every child deserves to be seen, heard, and protected.

Concord University Foundation, Inc.

PO Box 1405
Athens

County Mercer

WV 24712 **Phone** 304-384-6294

Project Information Concord University Pathways Scholarship

Project Information

Each year the Concord University Foundation awards the Pathways Scholarship to rising or current sophomores, juniors, or seniors who are West Virginians with demonstrated financial need. Financial constraints are often cited as a reason for student withdrawal from Concord and most often are the end of a student's educational pursuits. This scholarship is life-changing for every student it impacts, and application inquiries continually increase each year. Last year 50 students each received a \$2,000 scholarship. These students were selected from a pool of more than 115 students applying for assistance. The Concord University Foundation is committed to helping students at Concord overcome the many financial barriers and hurdles that may keep students from completing a college degree with scholarship assistance. We are excited to continue our partnership with The Maier Foundation in Charleston, West Virginia, who provides a matching grant of \$60,000 each year for the Pathways Scholarship based on funds raised. NIP credits are a major part of this fundraising effort to receive the matching grant and in turn help students continue their studies and achieve their educational goal of a college degree.

Princeton Community Hospital Foundation

122 12th Street
Princeton

County Mercer

WV 24740 **Phone** 304-487-7586

Project Information Supplemental Charity Care Program

Project Information

The Supplemental Charity Care Program is designed to assist individuals facing extraordinary circumstances that fall outside the criteria of Princeton Community Hospital's traditional charity assistance program. These situations include sudden loss of income, significant changes in family dynamics, or catastrophic health events. The program offers financial assistance to help cover primary or emergency medical care costs for those affected. This program specifically supports patients within our local community who fall at or below 125% of the federal poverty level. All funds provided through this program are dedicated exclusively to covering medical expenses incurred at Princeton Community Hospital. Serving a multi-county area marked by extreme poverty, high unemployment, and low income, Princeton Community Hospital recognizes that many individuals—despite having insurance—face unaffordable high deductibles and consequently delay or forgo necessary medical care. The Supplemental Charity Care Program helps fill this critical gap by alleviating the financial burden of essential medical services for those struggling in our community.

Westminister at Wade Inc.

1400 Highland Ave.

County

Mercer

Bluefield

WV

24701 **Phone**

304-327-8636

Project Information Wade Center After-School Program

Project Information

The Wade Center's After-School Program was created in 2005 to alleviate hunger, poor learning outcomes and the emotional stresses experienced by families living in poverty. We provide a safe, creative place for at-risk elementary school children to receive after-school help with their homework, reading and math skills, and computer proficiency. Three tutors and volunteers assist them, and local professionals provide weekly classes in art, as well as devotionals. We serve the students healthy snacks and meals, and the children go home on Thursdays with a bag of easily opened and prepared food for the weekend.

Burlington United Methodist Family Services, Inc.

539 New Creek Highway

County

Mineral

Keyser

WV

26726 **Phone**

304-788-7720

Project Information SARAHS House Child Advocacy Center

Project Information

SARAH'S House Child Advocacy Center is a child-friendly facility that provides a different way to investigate, treat, and respond to allegations of child abuse. These allegations can include sexual abuse, physical abuse, neglect, witness to violence, drug endangerment, exposure to/depiction in child pornography, and child sexual exploitation. Children ages 3-17, who have been victimized by abuse, receive services from certified professionals who coordinate investigative responsibilities with child protective services and/or law enforcement to increase the likelihood of a successful outcome. Some of these services include forensic interviewing and victims advocacy throughout the duration of the case, and oftentimes after closure. Children who receive services from our Center are then referred to a Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapist for treatment toward a healthy recovery. In the event that a medical examination is required, we have contract services with forensic nurse examiners who are specially trained to conduct these investigations. SARAH'S House offers services to families in need, regardless of their ability to pay. The services provided at the Center are not available through any other organization in our community. SARAH'S House strives to make our neighborhoods better by providing child abuse awareness and including prevention training opportunities for people who work with children. Along with this, staff visit the schools within our community and present prevention curricula to the students in attendance. We strive to provide not only reactive support in the face of crisis but also a proactive approach to the problem.

Community Trust Foundation

112 Baltimore St.

County Mineral

Cumberland

MD

21502 Phone 301-876-9172

Project Information Meals On Wheels

Project Information

The Community Trust Foundation (CTF), in partnership with Aging and Family Services of Mineral County (AFSMC), is strengthening the Meals on Wheels program through an established endowment fund designed to ensure long-term sustainability. As demand for this vital service continues to grow, funding remains a challenge, making this initiative essential for supporting low-income, homebound seniors in Mineral County, West Virginia. Meals on Wheels serves vulnerable seniors by providing nutritious, hot meals five days per week, ensuring they can remain in their homes while maintaining independence. Beyond meal delivery, the program offers critical welfare checks, where any unanswered delivery is investigated, and changes in recipients' health are monitored for appropriate dietary adjustments or referrals to support services. NIP tax credits play a key role in addressing senior hunger and isolation, supporting the growth of an endowment that will provide 4% of its market value annually to sustain meal services. We expect this fund to reach \$100,000, generating \$4,000+ annually to offset program expenses. First United Bank & Trust safeguards and strengthens this fund, preserving its ability to serve seniors in perpetuity. Through strategic collaboration and sustained financial planning, CTF and AFSMC remain committed to ensuring no senior in need goes hungry, leveraging philanthropy to build a lasting solution for food security in Mineral County.

Christian Help

219 Walnut Street

County Monongalia

Morgantown

WV

26505 Phone 304-296-0221

Project Information Direct & Emergency Support Services

Project Information

The Christian Help (CH) direct & emergency support services are provided at no cost to facilitate financial stability for individuals and families in, and to avoid, crisis situations. This includes grants-in-aid; vocational assistance; clothing, outerwear, footwear; infant needs; household items, small appliances, linens; and pantry orders. The emergency financial assistance (EFA) program helps with grants in aid to support identification documents critical to secure employment & benefits; or, to help pay a bill. CH EFA underwrites utilities, shelter, transportation, medical, and/or birth certificates & photo IDs. In CY24, we helped 1,1061 households with \$99,737 in aid. Confirmation of need (i.e., invoice) & legal obligation (e.g., account, vehicle, homeowner), and voucher acceptance from the vendor is required. Our vendor network is extensive, and our payment record is stellar. The Food Pantry (FP) & Free Store (FS) provide direct aid via donated in-kind products to help meet client needs and off-set financial shortfalls. During CY24, the FP served 1,277 households; the FS served 9,232 shoppers, plus 2,307 special & vacation needs at \$26,059 direct cost. Basic needs, such as food, undergarments, toiletries, clothing, & shoes, as well as survival blankets, hot hands & feet pads were given to our most vulnerable (i.e., homeless, low-to-moderate income) residents. The Career Closets (CC) & Life Skill Classes (LSC) assisted 379 individuals as they began & retained employment, or enhanced their knowledge of employment, finance, nutrition, & insurance matters. The CY24 costs for the work-required attire & educational materials provided totaled \$3,568. CH does more than simply help with finances. We listen to each unique situation and offer the most beneficial resources. Whether the resource is one of our programs or another agency's, no client leaves without the full support we can offer. Individual stability supports family stability which supports community stability.

Libera, Inc.

80 School St.
Morgantown

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County Monongalia
Phone 26505 304-685-8275

Project Information Affordable Housing and Wraparound Services for At-Risk Youth

Project Information

Our new project is a Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing project to provide housing for young women 18-24 transitioning out of foster care, the justice system, or recovery. Our renovated building at 80 School Street in Morgantown will also house a community center, serving youth ages 14-24. In addition, we are launching SOAR, a 12-month, intensive career and resiliency accelerator program. As part of the program, participants will be required to engage in productive activities each week and will receive a needs-based stipend and extensive wraparound services, including mental health counseling from Libera's mental health staff; support in receiving resources related to housing, food insecurity, transportation, insurance, financial assistance, etc.; weekly time spent with their 1:1 mentor; and more. This building will be a place to provide the most vulnerable young people housing, therapy, mentoring, wraparound services, and Libera groups and programs. The building will serve as a community center for all those we serve, including teens. We will be hosting community dinners and Libera groups at the community center, and we will provide mental health and other resources to those who participate. The building will provide transitional housing for up to 8 foster or justice-impacted youth leaving the system. In our work with transition age youth, we have discovered one of the main barriers they face is affordable housing. We have also discovered that the more time we are able to spend with these young people, the better they fare. Providing everything under one roof with staff and mentors readily available will foster greater growth and success for youth. Our goals with this specific project are to provide affordable housing for at least 5 low income transition age young women, 18-24; wraparound services for 10 low income transition age young women; and events for at least 25 low income youth and young women where we will provide resources and a meal.

Milan Puskar Health Right

341 Spruce Street
Morgantown

WV

County Monongalia
Phone 26507 304-292-5702

Project Information Primary Care at MPHR

Project Information

This year's proposed NIP project will strengthen and expand Milan Puskar Health Right's (MPHR) vital primary care services, with a focus on preventative care and outreach to the region's most vulnerable populations. By enhancing access to health screenings, cancer prevention services, and general wellness programs, this project will help improve health outcomes for people who are often left out by the traditional healthcare system. MPH is a trusted safety-net in the community, offering high-quality and comprehensive primary care to uninsured and underinsured individuals through our charitable clinic and pharmacy. Our wraparound services include robust community engagement, the Friendship Fairmont recovery drop-in center, the harm reduction LIGHT Project, pediatrics clinic, vision and dental referrals, specialized women's health services, counseling, social services support, peer recovery support, and medication assisted treatment (MAT). We recently completed construction on a new clinic space that will become a Licensed Behavioral Health Center, further expanding our capacity to serve patients with mental health and substance use needs. This project is especially critical for reaching individuals who experience low literacy, housing instability, and other barriers to care. MPH's approach is accessible and tailored to each client, especially those who may struggle to navigate traditional healthcare systems. We aim to break down barriers for our clients, whether they're facing physical, emotional, or social challenges. This approach helps us reduce disparities and ensure that more West Virginians can access the care and support they need to live healthier lives.

Mon Valley Habitat for Humanity, Inc.

250 Scott Avenue

County Monongalia

Morgantown

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26507

Phone 304-292-0914

Project Information Norwood Hills Affordable Housing Project

Project Information

Mon Valley Habitat for Humanity began construction on the Norwood Hills Affordable Housing Project in Summer 2025. Two single-family homes with three-bedrooms and two-baths will be constructed on Saxman Avenue, Morgantown, Monongalia County. Additionally, MVHFH will provide critical repairs for up to five owner-occupied homes in Norwood Hills and the surrounding area. All selected for the critical repair program must be low- to moderate-income with priority given to those who are elderly, disabled, veterans, or have special needs. Population growth in Morgantown has outpaced the state average and the influx of residents has accelerated the deficit of safe, affordable, decent housing. Recent price escalation and interest rate increases have pushed affordable homeownership and home repairs beyond the reach of many area residents. MVHFH will select two families applying for the Homeownership Program based upon housing need; ability to assume a 30-year, zero-percent interest mortgage; and willingness to partner with MVHFH. The partnership requires 150 hours of "Sweat Equity" for family members 18 years-old and over – families work on their home (or that of a neighbor's); complete homeownership and financial education courses; and promote the Homeownership Program to potential applicants. When construction is complete and the two Partner Families have met all program requirements, they will buy their home with a zero-percent interest mortgage and an affordable monthly payment, calculated on their ability to pay. MVHFH will select up to five families applying for the Critical Repairs Program based upon need and who meet the low- to moderate-income criteria. Repairs will be limited to those improving accessibility with a focus on exterior repairs (porches, ramps, and exterior steps). MVHFH will complete these repairs at no cost to the homeowners.

Monongalia County Society for Disabled Children & Adults

400 Mylan Park Lane

County Monongalia

Morgantown

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26501

Phone 3043220012

Project Information "Open Doors"-Free Inclusive Recreation Series at SteppingStones

Project Information

"Open Doors" is a year-round, inclusive recreation series hosted at the SteppingStones facility in Mylan Park. It offers free weekly recreational programs designed for children and adults with disabilities who are primarily Medicaid recipients—ensuring access to high-quality, adapted recreational opportunities regardless of income. The program will run during weekday evenings and select weekends to accommodate family schedules and will be facilitated by SteppingStones' trained staff with the support of community volunteers.

Morgantown Community Resources, Inc.

20 Scott Avenue

County Monongalia

Morgantown

WV

26508 Phone (304)-276-8046

Project Information Morgantown Community Resource Inc. Capacity Building

Project Information

Morgantown Community Resources, Inc. (MCRI) is continuing a project to sustain and strengthen the ongoing operation of Hazel's House of Hope—a centralized, 108,000-square-foot facility that houses multiple social service agencies serving vulnerable populations in Monongalia County. This assisted NIP-funded project will support MCRI's capacity to manage the building infrastructure, coordinate tenant needs, and maintain a safe, functional environment for service delivery. Hazel's House of Hope is home to agencies providing emergency shelter, addiction triage, food distribution, veteran services, and counseling. Without the affordable and collaborative space HHH provides, many of these services would be cost-prohibitive or fragmented across the region. This project directly complements MCRI's mission by ensuring the long-term viability of the facility and enhancing the stability of service delivery to individuals experiencing homelessness, food insecurity, and substance use disorders. NIP donations will be used to offset building operations and maintenance and providing emergency funding, enabling MCRI to continue offering this vital shared space for agencies to serve the community more effectively.

Mylan Park Foundation

500 Mylan Park Lane

County Monongalia

Morgantown

WV

26501 Phone 304 282 3462

Project Information Mylan Park Foundation's Summer Fun Zone Camp Scholarship Program

Project Information

The Mylan Park Foundation (MPF) is seeking 2026 NIP funding to support its Summer Fun Zone Camp Scholarship Program, which provides access to summer camp for children from low-income families. This initiative aligns with MPF's broader mission to expand access to high-quality recreational, educational, and wellness opportunities for all. NIP support will fund at least 50 scholarships for elementary-age children to attend Summer Fun Zone Camps at Mylan Park. These camps offer a safe, inclusive, and enriching environment where youth engage in activities that promote physical health, emotional well-being, and social development. Campers benefit from a wide range of experiences utilizing Mylan Park's exceptional amenities, including sports fields, swimming facilities, nature trails, and creative arts spaces. Daily activities are designed to foster teamwork, self-confidence, resilience, and healthy lifestyle habits. From friendly sports competitions and guided nature play to artistic expression and recreational games, campers are encouraged to explore, learn, and grow. Research shows that summer camps provide lasting benefits for children, including improved social skills, greater independence, enhanced physical and mental health, and increased appreciation for nature and community. For many low-income families, these opportunities would not be possible without financial assistance. By eliminating cost barriers, MPF's Camp Scholarship Program ensures that more children can access the transformative experiences of summer camp—helping them build friendships, develop life skills, and enjoy a safe, healthy, and active summer at Mylan Park.

Rape and Domestic Violence Information Center, Inc.

PO Box 4228

County

Monongalia

Morgantown

WV

26504 **Phone**

304-292-5100

Project Information

101 Ways to Bring awareness to Help Prevent Violence: a Community Empowerment Project

Project Information

RDVIC has dual roles and services three counties in our service area. Our project is ongoing, and we hope to reach seniors in our community. As in previous years our project plans to educate, and encourage awareness of crime prevention, such as phone scams, financial, mental and physical abuse, and sexual assault. We provide in person Prevention education presentations.

ROFAYKI, Inc

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Monongalia

Morgantown

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26507 **Phone**

304-292-4646

Project Information

Mobile Early Explorers

Project Information

Spark! Imagination and Science Center will take our Early Explorers program on the road, to the Doddridge Public Library. During Early Explorers, children aged 2-4 explore art and science through age-appropriate, hands-on activities. They practice foundational science skills such as using tools, exploring materials, and making observations. Art is integrated through activities about texture, colors and more. The activities help caregivers learn how to explore science with their young children in an age-appropriate manner so they can continue this exploration at home.

Scott's Run Settlement House750 Fairchance Road
Morgantown

WV

26508

County Monongalia
Phone 304-599-5020**Project Information** Backpack Feeding Program**Project Information**

Scott's Run Settlement House's (SRSH) Backpack Feeding Program provides food for the weekend to children who rely on school meals as their primary source of nutrition and experience food insecurity. Each week SRSH delivers bags containing breakfast items, lunch items, dinner items, snacks, and fruit item to the schools who then distribute them to the children enrolled in the program. Beginning in 2011 with 100 children participating at one school, the program has grown to serve over 850 children at 11 schools. The benefits of this program are quite substantial. Surveys from both parents and teachers indicate a positive impact in the children's mental, emotional, and physical health in addition to improved academic performance. Specifically, 78% of parents reported an improvement in their child's overall mood and behavior while 72% of teachers reported improved attention in class. The additional nourishment the program provides allows children to develop properly and decreases the stress associated with childhood food insecurity. The cost of this program is roughly \$150 per child, per school year. This reflects food costs alone and does not include transportation or staff expenses. For the 2025 - 2026 school year, SRSH's food cost will be approximately \$135,000. Additional funding will not only allow SRSH to continue to provide for hundreds of children in need, but it will also allow healthier foods to be purchased. With your support our program will continue to evolve and expand to ensure no child goes hungry.

The West Virginia Fund for Law in the Public Interest, Inc.P.O. Box 6130
Morgantown

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26506

County Monongalia
Phone 304-293-7342**Project Information** The West Virginia Fund for Law in the Public Interest -- Legal Services for the Poor, 2026**Project Information**

The West Virginia Fund for Law in the Public Interest's summer project sends current WVU College of Law students into the field to serve the unmet legal needs of the poor. Our postgraduate project does the same, but with graduating students who will serve as full-time lawyers. These students and graduates address the legal needs of the poor by working in non-profit organizations throughout West Virginia that serve low-income clients in a variety of areas, including housing law, disability rights, family law, consumer law, and domestic violence. In 2026, our summer project will fund at least 15 law students; these students will each work full-time for 10 weeks. Our post-graduate fellowship project will fund 2 law graduates; each post-graduate fellow will work full-time for one year. Since the inception of the WV Fund for Law in the Public Interest ("the Fund") in 1987, our fellows -- each of whom completes a competitive selection process -- have provided thousands of their fellow West Virginia citizens with the free legal help they so desperately need. Specifically, the Fund has funded over 575 summer fellows who have served low income clients, primarily in civil legal aid offices. Since 2008, the Fund has sponsored 30 full-time, postgraduate fellows who have also served low-income West Virginians with complex legal needs. Their work helps their clients escape domestic violence, retain safe housing, protect their children, and obtain relief from fraudulent consumer debt collection practices. Our fellows serve clients by providing direct legal representation, by giving legal advice and information, by referrals to needed resources, by conducting legal research on their behalf, and by creating written informational pieces designed to educate them about their rights and options. Our student fellows work under the supervision of licensed attorneys. Our post-graduate fellows begin work once they have passed the bar exam and become licensed attorneys.

United Way of Monongalia and Preston Counties

278c Spruce Street

County

Monongalia

Morgantown

WV

26505 Phone

304-296-7525

Project Information Helpful Harvest Food Program**Project Information**

The Helpful Harvest Program was implemented in May of 2020 to address the increased need in food insecurity in Monongalia and Preston counties. In addition to addressing food insecurity, the program has had an impact on employee retention and job creation for people with disabilities and has assisted individuals in recovery and our veterans. The program also disrupts entrenched norms of food pantries providing unhealthy, nutritionally insufficient foods to those in need because of the food's affordability and availability. By providing healthy food options to pantries and feeding programs, we are not only addressing the immediate needs of those experiencing food insecurity, but also helping to address the long-term health issues faced by our communities. The program operates out of Preston County Workshop and at Hazel's House of Hope serving approximately 45 feeding programs and 9,000 individuals monthly. Both locations provide a food storage facility and distribution center. We purchase meat and produce from local farmers that supports the local economy and provides nutritious food year-round for those experiencing food insecurity in our communities and schools.

West Virginia University Hospitals, Inc.

1 Medical Center Drive

County

Monongalia

Morgantown

WV

26506 Phone

304-598-4346 ex

Project Information WVU Medicine Children's Injury Prevention Program**Project Information**

The Injury Prevention and Safety Program at WVU Medicine Children's is committed to improving the health and safety of children across West Virginia. Unintentional injuries are the leading cause of death and disability of children in the United States, and most are predictable and preventable. Education, age-appropriate safety items, and home safety modifications are proven to reduce injuries and deaths, but many West Virginia families are not able to afford these measures. Our program is a statewide initiative which provides resources and support to families, both in the hospital and community, aiming to support families with incomes less than 125% below federal poverty level. These families come from every county in our state including the twenty-eight counties identified by the Appalachian Regional Commission as distressed or at risk in FY2025. (County Economic Status in WV FY2025; arc.gov) Services are provided to families in the hospital after a baby is born or when a child is admitted with an unintentional injury, during community events like baby fairs and car seat checks, or when a community partner requests assistance. Our program also targets childcare centers, parenting groups, foster care agencies, schools, and clinics to help improve outreach and accessibility throughout West Virginia. Education is provided on safe car seat use and installation, safe sleep, shaken baby prevention, neonatal abstinence syndrome, and home childproofing to prevent injury. Age appropriate child safety items, such as car seats, booster seats, pack & plays, specialty car seats, medication lock boxes, and home safety kits are provided to families meeting low-income guidelines. Our Injury Prevention and Safety team is comprised of two National Child Passenger Safety Technicians and one Registered Nurse who follow best practice to help keep children safe and serve as a resource across the state.

West Virginia Women Work, Inc.

201 New Jersey Street

County

Monongalia

Morgantown

WV

26501 **Phone**

304-598-0114

Project Information

Step Up for Women Construction Pre-Apprenticeship Program

Project Information

The Step Up for Women Construction Pre-Apprenticeship Program (Dunbar & Morgantown, WV) provides free, hands-on trades training to low-income women in WV. Participants receive instruction in carpentry, electrical, plumbing, and welding, along with certifications like OSHA 10 and First Aid/CPR. The program includes wraparound support (PPE, tools, transportation stipends, mentorship, and job placement) to remove barriers and promote long-term employment. Graduates enter apprenticeships or construction jobs, gaining economic independence. Step Up directly serves women impacted by poverty, justice involvement, and recovery, creating pathways out of hardship through skilled trades careers.

Monroe County Education Foundation, Inc.

P.O. Box 90

County

Monroe

Union

WV

24983 **Phone**

304-646-2423

Project Information

MCEF Scholarship Program ~ helping Monroe County residents of all ages continue a higher education.

Project Information

The Monroe County Education Foundation, Inc. (MCEF) was established in 2001 by local business leaders and educators to help Monroe county residents of all ages as they seek a higher education. MCEF provides scholarship awards and financial assistance for continued education opportunities to full time Monroe county students. With our scholarship program MCEF awards scholarships each year to Monroe county residents of all ages, those starting their higher education while attending high school by taking online classes, the traditional high school graduate starting their college experience after graduation, those already enrolled in college continuing their education and even the student that was not able to attend or complete their education but going back to college to finish getting their degree. MCEF Scholarships are awarded to students attending 2 year college programs, attending a 4 year college or university as well as those looking to attend community technical or trade schools. MCEF is there to help Monroe County residents pursue a higher education making their dreams a reality. The mission of MCEF is to help Monroe County residents of all ages succeed for the enrichment and betterment of their family, their children and Monroe County. Our mission is becoming a reality because of charitable giving. It is through charitable giving that our scholarship awards are made possible. Donations and other income received by MCEF fund scholarship award amounts and are determined by the level of donations received to make scholarships possible, to where the Monroe County Education Foundation is able to continue to help the residents of Monroe County dream for brighter tomorrows as they reach for a lifetime of learning.

Humane Society of Morgan County

5366 Valley Road
Berkeley Springs

WV

25411

County

Morgan

Phone 410-917-9504

Project Information Changing the Tragedy of unwanted/homeless animals

Project Information

The Humane Society of Morgan County (HSMC) is a no kill shelter that is committed to improving the welfare of animals in the Morgan County area. This includes equipping our community, covering over 230 square miles, with the proper resources to make the best decisions for personal pets and strays. HSMC annually holds rabies and spay/neuter clinics; bimonthly fundraising events to sustain shelter operations; monthly food bank services for low income pet parents; maintains a robust social media presence to educate, empower and activate the local community; partners with West Virginia TNR to manage the local cat population; provides a shelter and urgent medical care for homeless cats and dogs; and supports fostering and placement to help its animals find there forever home.

Morgan County Starting Points, Inc.

106 Sand Mine Road, Suite 6

Berkeley Springs

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25411

County

Morgan

Phone 304-317-7476

Project Information Starting Points Nutrition Initiative

Project Information

Morgan County Starting Points, Inc. is a family support center with two locations in the county. NIP credit donations will be utilized to alleviate food insecurities throughout Morgan County. A school backpack program, a Community Kitchen, pop-up farmers markets, and school/community nutrition programs, teach as well as feed those struggling with food resources. Starting Points operates the Meal Time Community Kitchen (MTCK) which provides free hot meals three evenings a week; the Morgan County Backpack Program distributes weekly meal bags to an average of 230 children pre-k through 12th grade and summer meal bags through summer camps; pop-up markets distribute produce gleaned from the local Farmers Market in Paw Paw and at the MTCK; Paw Paw, a small community in the western area of Morgan County, continues to meet the USDA criteria of a food desert. There are limited food and fresh produce resources available within 45-minute drive. Starting Points, while serving all of Morgan County, continues to pour extra resources into this community with a bi-monthly mobile pantry from Mountaineer Food Bank and a partnership with Community Markets, Inc. with both resources serving approximately 135 Paw Paw area families. Starting Points also provides monthly food/hygiene/cleaning supply boxes to 20 Paw Paw area families who are at or below the 125% poverty level. Providing free food is great and helpful but for long term change the need for nutrition education is key. Our projects focus on encouraging families to make healthy food choices/purchases, preparing the fresh produce and growing their own food. A monthly Cheap Eats program in Paw Paw and county wide school-based programs provide information on meal preparation, and recipe repairs with healthier ingredient substitutions and shopping on a budget.

Nicholas County Community Foundation

PO Box 561

County

Nicholas

Summersville

WV

26651 **Phone**

304-872-0202

Project Information

"Where Hope Finds Direction"

Project Information

At the Nicholas County Community Foundation (NCCF), we often describe ourselves as a lighthouse—a beacon of light and direction for the many non-profit organizations serving our community. Just like a lighthouse guides ships to safety, the NCCF offers support, education, and collaborative opportunities to those on the front lines of service. The programs we champion provide a hand up to individuals and families experiencing the greatest need. Through a consistent and compassionate approach, the NCCF remains flexible—adapting our support as the needs of Nicholas County evolve. Whether it's food and hygiene access, safety, education, or fostering a more inclusive community, our funding and guidance empower local organizations to meet our most urgent and essential challenges. By standing strong and shining bright, we help our community navigate change—because together, we grow.

Augusta Levy Learning Center

P.O. Box 6711

County

Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 **Phone**

304-242-6722

Project Information

Pathways to Independence

Project Information

The Augusta Levy Learning Center (ALLC) is utilizing West Virginia Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) funds to support a vital initiative for young adults with diagnosed disabilities. These funds help sustain and grow ALLC's Life Skills and Social Development Program, which focuses on equipping participants with essential daily living and interpersonal skills needed for greater independence and long-term success. Through individualized instruction and community-based activities, young adults develop skills in budgeting, meal preparation, communication, workplace etiquette, and self-advocacy. This program helps bridge the gap between childhood services and adult responsibilities, promoting inclusion, confidence, and a higher quality of life for individuals with disabilities.

Catholic Charities West Virginia

2000 Main Street	County	Ohio
Wheeling	Phone	304-905-9860 x2
Emergency Assistance and Food Pantry Services	Project Information	

Catholic Charities West Virginia (CCWVa) will use Neighborhood Investment Program tax credits to raise funds in support of its emergency assistance and food pantry programs. The emergency assistance program provides financial support to income eligible clients facing eviction or utility service termination. Assistance may also include financial help to fill prescriptions, provide gas for transportation to medical appointments or job interviews, or to obtain alternative heating sources like firewood, kerosine oil, and propane. Income eligibility is defined as households whose income falls at or below 150% of Federal Poverty Guidelines. CCWVa's food pantry programs provide participants a multiple day supply of food on a monthly basis. Pantry patrons are offered healthy options, and select the items included in their food order. The pantries primarily serve households with incomes at or below 150% of federal poverty guidelines. However, no one is turned away.

Community Foundation for the Ohio Valley	1226 Chapline Street	County	Ohio
	Wheeling	Phone	304-242-3144
	WV	Project Information	

Project Information Nourish the Region: Increasing Food Security in the Upper Ohio Valley

Project Information

As a grantmaking public charity, the Community Foundation for the Ohio Valley (CFOV) has worked for more than 50 years to enhance the vibrancy and resilience of communities throughout the Upper Ohio Valley and create a region where all current and future residents are thriving and reaching their full potential. To achieve this vision, the CFOV continues to adapt and evolve its responses to community needs, learn from best practices and from new research about underlying root causes of issues impacting the Valley, and seek the most effective grantmaking pathways to address these issues. One growing issue in the region is food insecurity. In 2023, roughly 1 in 6 people (15.5%) in our region were food insecure, as were approximately 1 in 5 children (20.5%) (Feeding America). Food insecurity means that a person has limited or uncertain access to adequate, nutritious food for normal growth and development and an active, healthy life. It is associated with numerous adverse health and social outcomes ranging from malnutrition and increased risk of chronic diseases to lower academic performance in schools, and the ripple effects of these adverse outcomes are numerous. In early 2025, the CFOV identified food insecurity as a focus area for its own discretionary grantmaking and launched a Food Security Fund to support nonprofits working to ensure individuals and families across the region have consistent access to adequate, nutritious food. CFOV staff and community partners also educated donors about the topic at the annual donor luncheon and surveyed service providers in the region to learn more about the work they do and the needs they experience. The CFOV's FY26 NIP project will enable the Foundation to double its current capacity to address food insecurity in the region through increased, targeted grantmaking. Funding raised through the project will enable the CFOV to make more grants to strengthen the local emergency food network and support long-term solutions.

Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center

1305 National Road

County Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 Phone 304-242-1390

Project Information Pediatric Rehabilitation and Autism Services for Low-Income Children

Project Information

Easterseals Rehabilitation Center provides pediatric medical rehabilitation services and autism testing to children primarily in northern and central West Virginia. Services include physical, speech, and occupational therapy; early intervention and child development; autism testing; pediatric physical medicine; and medication management for children with autism spectrum disorders and attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder. Access to life-changing care for the most vulnerable members of our society is integral to our mission. For almost 90 years, Easterseals has received support from the community in order to operate regardless of the client's ability to pay. About 70% of our patients receive some amount of subsidized care, which amounts to over \$400,000 in uncompensated care annually.

Faith in Action Caregivers, Inc.

2350 Main Street, Suite 2

County Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 Phone 304-243-5420

Project Information Volunteer Match Program

Project Information

FIAC is the only agency providing no-cost transportation in the Ohio Valley. The program provides free caregiver services to support the independent living of low-income older adults and individuals with disabilities residing in Marshall, and Ohio Counties. We provide services not covered by insurance and are not within the care receiver's budget. Transportation is crucial to ensure access to essential services such as medical care and grocery shopping. Transportation barriers are often cited for rescheduled or missed appointments, delayed care, and missed or delayed medication use. Transportation and other social determinants of health are interconnected. Lack of transportation to the grocery store can contribute to food insecurity. Affordable and reliable transportation is essential to a healthy community. A lack of reliable transportation represents a loss of independence and can significantly impact physical and emotional wellbeing. One size fits all transportation solutions are inadequate. FIAC offers flexible transportation for shopping, doctors' appointments, and other activities. One-way, round-trip, and multi-stop rides are available. The program provides door-through-door service, offering personal, hands-on assistance by helping individuals through the door of their residences and to their destination. The strength of the program lies in the residents of the community; volunteers come together from all neighborhoods to help their neighbors throughout Marshall and Ohio Counties. Our objective is to fill needs that fall through the cracks, tasks that you would think nothing of getting in your car and doing. Volunteers use their personal cars, their time and give back with care and compassion. Care Receivers receive the services needed which are not met through local transportation and/or other local agencies. The method is NOT scheduling a driver to take individuals to shop for an hour or be dropped off at various locations and picked up later. We do MORE.

Greater Wheeling Coalition for the Homeless

84 Fifteenth Street

County Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 **Phone**

304-650-7655

Project Information Workforce Stability Program**Project Information**

The Greater Wheeling Coalition for the Homeless (Coalition) proposes a Workforce Stability program to address funding gaps for critical positions essential to the organization's daily operations and for administrative expenses. As a primarily grant-funded organization, support for personnel carrying out administrative duties and for administrative expenses are historically subjected to funding constraints of 10% or less of total grant awards. The Coalition has historically maintained low administrative costs by developing hybrid positions that carry out both programmatic and administrative functions and by leveraging support from community volunteers; however, the organization continues to witness funding gaps to adequately support the administrative responsibilities of designated personnel, including the Executive Director, Finance Manager, Program Development Specialist, and Administrative Services Coordinator. The Coalition is a dynamic 501(c)3 nonprofit organization providing housing solutions and supportive services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness in the Northern Panhandle region of WV through a comprehensive system of care. Programs and services include diversion, prevention, outreach and engagement, emergency shelter for families with children, temporary placement for all populations, rental assistance programs, youth 18-24 transitional housing, and wrap-around supportive services. Financial support for these positions ensures the Coalition can maintain efficient financial management practices, strategically improve the capacity of grant writing and program development and effectively deliver programs and services to the target population. The Coalition will utilize the Workforce Stability program to pursue sustainable funding for its Hearthside Shelter, a non-congregate emergency shelter for families with children that is the region's only available shelter option for this population and currently lacks dedicated financial support.

Harmony House, Inc.

P.O. Box 6502

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Wheeling

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26003 **Phone**

304 230 2205

Project Information CAC Model - Strengthening Community's Response to Child Abuse**Project Information**

One in ten children in West Virginia will be a victim of sexual abuse by their 18th birthday. Traditionally, after making an abuse allegation, children are moved from agency to agency and endure multiple interviews, which create additional trauma of having to retell the circumstances of the abuse over and over. Harmony House is a Children's Advocacy Center (CAC), and our project is to provide a comprehensive, child-focused program based in a facility, a CAC, that allows prosecutors, law enforcement, child protection services staff, medical & mental health professionals, and victim advocates to work together to strengthen Ohio and Marshall counties response to child abuse. The project is to ensure that no child is further victimized by systems designed to protect them and their well-being is the first priority. To accomplish this, Harmony House CAC provides the following services to those children and their families that come through our door: forensic interviews provided by staff trained in ChildFirst; therapeutic intervention (on-site and through referrals), victim support and advocacy (crisis intervention, supportive counseling, case management, community resource information), case review and case tracking through a multidisciplinary team approach. The services provided by this project are at no cost to the children and families.

Hoh-Share Inc.

87 15th St. Suite 436

County Ohio

WHEELING

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26003 Phone 304-218-8373

Project Information The Fun-Raiser Urban Mobile Playground at The Mother Jones Center for Resilient Community

Project Information

The Fun-Raiser Urban Mobile Playground (UMP) at The Mother Jones Center for Resilient Community, provides FREE safe, trauma-informed play stops and prevention programs in low-income, at-risk neighborhoods, youth shelters, public housing, schools and we are currently helping with crisis response in Ohio County Floods to mitigate the effects of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) to create greater youth and family well-being and resilience. The Fun-Raiser UMP uses creative play, STEAM activities (science, technology, engineering, art, math) and peer support to address community disparity issues, the effects of ACEs, the prevention of Substance Use Disorder & the negative impacts of WV ranking in the top 5 for preventable chronic health diseases. Our adult peers are trained as coaches in trauma, recovery, and reentry to help families with the resources needed to be healthy, supported, and thriving community members. The Fun-Raiser UMP adapts to the available space and places in an urban setting to create safe community play, while also providing prevention programs for youth and families at The Mother Jones Center for Resilient Community. Community members of all ages & generations, known as “Fun-Facilitators,” assist The Fun-Raiser UMP on visits to schools, community and non-profit events, impacting over 2000 local children and their families each year! Youth help oversee The Fun-Raiser Urban Mobile Playground operations by providing leadership, peer-to-peer mentoring & being a part of our youth “Never Bored Board.” Adult Peer Recovery Coaches are present at our programs and play-stops to help families struggling with addiction issues or maintaining recovery, along with job readiness and other direct need services. The Fun-Raiser UMP is dedicated to supporting youth leaders, healthy kids and families, community relationships- & fun, of course!

Holy Family Child Care & Development Center

161 Edgington Lane

County Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 Phone 304-242-5222

Project Information Safe Start: Childcare and Crisis Support for Ohio County Families

Project Information

Founded on September 4, 1984, Holy Family Child Care & Development Center (Holy Family) has been a cornerstone of early childhood education in Wheeling, West Virginia. Holy Family was established under the sponsorship of the Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston and then became a ministry of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph. Over the years, Holy Family has expanded its services, now operating from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and serving approximately 90 children per month, ranging from six weeks to five years old. In August 2008, Holy Family broadened its mission by collaborating with Ohio County Schools to offer a Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program, providing individualized, child-centered education. Committed to inclusivity, Holy Family offers subsidized childcare through the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (WV DHHR), ensuring access for families regardless of income. Holy Family fosters a nurturing environment that enables each child to grow in body, mind, and spirit. In response to the pressing need for emergency childcare services, Holy Family is launching Village Crisis Nursery, the first of its kind in West Virginia. Set to open in early 2026, Village Crisis Nursery will provide emergency, short-term shelter and care for children whose parents or caregivers are facing overwhelming situations, such as health crises, mental health emergencies, recovery needs, respite, or gaps in available childcare. Village Crisis Nursery aims to serve children from birth to 12 years old. By offering up to 72 hours of care, the program seeks to prevent child neglect and abuse, and to keep children out of the overburdened foster care system. All Holy Family programming now operates under the umbrella of Catholic Charities West Virginia. Holy Family's dedication to serving the Wheeling community for over four decades reflects its unwavering commitment to nurturing and protecting the most vulnerable members of society.

King's Daughters Child Care Center

61 13th Street

County

Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 Phone

304-233-1114

Project Information

Child Nutrition Program

Project Information

Since 1995, West Virginia has shown a steady increase in the cases of adult diabetes and obesity. Our State remains ranked #1 in the country for adult obesity and #6 for child obesity in low-income children between 2 - 4 years old (<http://stateofobesity.org/states/wv/>). To prevent that number from rising, nutritional education is important in a young child's life. We continue to use a variety of ways to teach and promote healthy eating at the Center. Our outdoor garden provides the Center with tomatoes, peppers, squash and cucumbers. The Center follows the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and continues to be part of Keys 4 Healthy Kids, a program which provides tools and resources on proper nutrition for the children, staff and the families we serve. This program also teaches the staff how to implement changes and encourage children to try new foods. We continue to keep processed foods to a minimum, offer fresh fruits and fresh vegetables at meals, and encourage children to drink more water to stay hydrated. Tax credits awarded will continue these efforts, educate children on the benefits of healthy eating habits, and provide healthy meals for the children.

Oglebay Foundation

255 Mansion Drive

County

Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 Phone

3042434166

Project Information

Access to the Parks

Project Information

Access to the Parks offers each and every low-income child in Ohio County (WV), along with an accompanying parent, free admission to activities at Oglebay and Wheeling Park year around, where they can reap the physical, mental, educational and social benefits of spending time outdoors in the parks. Included are all recreational and educational options (including related equipment) such as swimming, golf and miniature golf, tennis, boating, fishing, ice skating, skiing, and visits to the zoo, museums and nature education center. Interested families register and receive passes valid for one year. Without "Access," many low-income children would not have the chance to engage in these healthy, social and mentally stimulating activities due to their families' inability to pay. Additionally, many live in neighborhoods that offer no natural areas for outdoor activity, or that are unsafe for play. Through Access, however, children are outside in a safe and healthy environment, exercising their bodies and minds, acquiring new skills and knowledge, and engaging with nature and with other children – all year long. These qualities, in turn, build self-reliance, foster healthy family ties, connect community members, and provide alternatives to destructive decisions – all of which help to break the poverty cycle.

Oglebay Institute

1330 National Road
Wheeling

County Ohio

WV 26003 Phone 304-242-4200

Project Information Total Access: Engaging Students in the Arts, Nature & History

Project Information

Oglebay Institute's (OI) NIP program is designed to reduce financial and geographical barriers that limit children and youth from accessing life-changing experiences in the arts, culture, and nature. Through scholarships, subsidized school participation fees, and direct-delivery programs, OI ensures that all local young people have access to these transformative learning opportunities, regardless of their family's circumstances. Camps, classes, workshops, field trips, after-school activities, and curriculum enrichment programs take place at OI venues—the Stifel Fine Arts Center, School of Dance, Towngate Theatre, Mansion & Glass Museums, and Schrader Environmental Education Center—and at schools and locations throughout the community. OI's professional staff partner with classroom teachers to deliver hands-on, standards-based educational opportunities directly to classrooms, while collaboration with community-based organizations help engage youth in their own neighborhoods. Oglebay Institute's long-standing scholarship program focuses on reducing financial barriers for individual students and families, awarding more than \$25,000 annually based on family size, income, and need. In addition, the GEMS (Giving to Education Means Success) Fund helps schools offset program costs, giving their students access to unique educational experiences they may not otherwise receive. Through these efforts, Oglebay Institute strives to broaden access to education-enhancing opportunities in the arts and nature for students to help them to build critical skills—such as creativity, collaboration, and communication—that will support both their academic and personal growth.

Seeing Hand Association, Inc

750 Main St
Wheeling

County Ohio

WV 26003 Phone 304-232-4810

Project Information Edelman Garden: A project addressing Inclusion and Food Security.

Project Information

The Edelman Garden, a project of the Seeing Hand Association, is located at 37 South Broadway Street in Wheeling. Established in 2014, the once vacant lot was donated by Aaron and Rhoda Edelman to The Seeing Hand Association to be developed into an urban garden. The vision for the garden was centered around the blind and visually impaired workers. It features handicap accessible concrete walkways, vertical shelves, tables, and overhead trellises to help our workers plant, weed, water, and harvest with ease. During late summer, our workers, board, and community are given free produce to help supply them with fresh vegetables. In the summer of 2024, we gave away over 350 pounds of fresh produce to those in need. In West Virginia it is estimated that 1 in 5 people face food scarcity. The produce is placed in bags on neighbor's porches and our workers also take it home. Any leftover produce is often left on the front step of our agency for those in need to take for free. Edelman Garden also serves as an educational experience for our workers and the community as well as offering volunteer opportunities. Edelman Garden is grant-funded and accepts individual and corporate donations.

St. John's Home for Children

141 Key Avenue

County Ohio

Wheeling

WV

26003 Phone 304.242.5633

Project Information Providing basic needs to abused and neglected young boys in West Virginia.

Project Information

St. John's Home for Children (St. John's Home) in Wheeling, West Virginia, has been providing care and meeting basic needs for at-risk children for 168 years-longer than West Virginia has been an independent state. From the 19th to 21st century, the agency has continued its mission to help traumatized children move forward to a life of hope and potential. In 1856, Bishop Richard V. Whelan, the first Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, brought three orphans to the Sisters of St. Joseph for care. This small step marked the beginning of St. John's and St. Vincent's Homes. Operated for decades by the sisters, St. John's Home has served thousands of children. In 1984 St. John's Home became an independent 501c (3) nonprofit operating as a nationally accredited WV-licensed residential program serving boys ages 6 to 12 from throughout the state with behavioral or emotional difficulties. St. John's Home has expanded its trauma sensitive therapy via community outreach and providing prevention services aimed at keeping children in their homes whenever possible. St. John's Home is part of a Continuum of Care that strives to eliminate abuse and neglect-as well as the effects of abuse-one child, one family, one community at a time. St. John's Home works toward making permanent, systemic change in the children's lives to help break the cycle of abuse for future generations. St. John's Home is a leader in delivering innovative and therapeutic services, in collaboration with community partners and resources to promote healing and growth for children and families. St. John's Home envisions a world where every child has a loving family and a place to call home. This NIP proposal will award West Virginia tax credit to individuals and businesses supporting St. John's Home's residential programming.

The Children's Home of Wheeling Inc.

14 Orchard Road

County Ohio

Wheeling

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26003 Phone 304-233-2367

Project Information Trauma-Informed Program Enhancements for Healing Youth

Project Information

The Children's Home of Wheeling provides a safe, therapeutic environment and comprehensive treatment for abused and neglected boys ages 12-18 referred by the WV DHR and court system. Nearly all residents have experienced multiple Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), including physical abuse, sexual trauma, and chronic neglect. To better support the healing process for our youth in residential care, we plan to enhance our therapeutic recreation activities, evidence-based materials, and facility by making trauma-informed upgrades. Funding will support the purchase of trauma-informed materials, minor renovations to improve lighting, sound, and comfort in therapy spaces, and structured recreational programming that promotes healing. This includes exercise equipment and outdoor group activity supplies (sports gear, team-building kits) that promote emotional regulation and social connection. A portion will enhance our recreation area to support structured group activities that foster engagement, safety, and community building. This project complements existing therapeutic services and life-skills training by creating a holistic, healing-centered environment that reduces trauma triggers and increases emotional well-being through movement, play, and connection. Through NIP support, we aim to offer calming and empowering experiences that help youth recover from trauma and build resiliency.

The House of the Carpenter

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Project Information Transforming Lives Across Generations: The Mission and Impact of the House of the Carpenter

Project Information

The House of the Carpenter (HOC), located on Wheeling Island in Wheeling, West Virginia, is a trusted place of hope and transformation for thousands of individuals and families across the Upper Ohio Valley. Founded over 60 years ago as a ministry of the West Virginia United Methodist Church, HOC has evolved into a dynamic outreach hub, serving more than 1,400 people each week, a number that continues to grow as community needs deepen. All programs are offered free of charge, ensuring access for those living in poverty, navigating recovery, lacking transportation, or raising grandchildren in the midst of the addiction crisis. For many, HOC is the only lifeline within reach. The mission begins by meeting basic needs. The Food Pantry served a record 700 people in May 2024. The Thrift Store offers low-cost goods and uniquely provides new undergarments with dignity. Utility assistance and financial education through WV Saves promote long-term stability. Children and teens find transformation through the Toni and Nancy Bedway Center for Youth, opened in 2020. Programs like Pathways to Success, after-school enrichment, STEM, literacy, sports camps, and arts and cooking classes build confidence, academic success, and life skills. HOC also partners with Madison Elementary, providing meals to all 250 students each weekend and holiday. Adults and seniors receive support through life-skills programs, recovery support, and senior outreach, many are caregivers or rebuilding after hardship. NIP tax credits will allow HOC to expand its reach, meet urgent needs, and deliver life-changing services that restore dignity and build stronger families and futures.

West Liberty University Foundation

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Project Information Neighborhood Investment Program Retention Scholarship

Project Information

The West Liberty University Foundation seeks support through the Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) to fund a Retention Scholarship Program designed to assist currently enrolled West Liberty University students at risk of discontinuing their education due to financial hardship. This targeted initiative aims to address immediate and unanticipated financial barriers that can derail academic progress, particularly among students from low-income households or those experiencing personal or family-related crises such as illness, job loss, or housing instability. Monies from this fund will be used to provide timely financial assistance to students who have already demonstrated a commitment to their education but who are struggling to pay off a balance on their student account or who are questioning their ability to continue enrollment due to lack of funds. The scholarships may be used to help cover essential educational costs such as tuition, fees, room, board, and other necessary expenses over the course of the academic year. The goal for the 2025-2026 academic year is to provide at least \$20,000 in total assistance, offering individual awards ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000 per student. This level of support can provide a critical bridge that allows students to remain enrolled and continue progress toward degree attainment. By directly addressing the financial challenges faced by vulnerable students, the NIP Retention Scholarship Program will help increase student retention and promote long-term academic and career success—ultimately contributing to the upward mobility of individuals and the economic vitality of the region.

West Virginia Northern Community College Foundation

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Project Information Job Training, Education & Emergency Assistance to Students

Project Information

NIP credit contributions will fund two projects - emergency assistance to students and student scholarships. The Emergency Assistance Fund helps low-income students with unanticipated expenses that hinder retention and program completion. The scholarship funds assist students who receive little to no federal assistance. Awarding scholarships decreases the amount of loans taken out by students and, therefore, also decreases the loan default rate, which is a challenge for community colleges across the state of WV and across the country.

Wheeling Health Right Inc

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Project Information Wheeling Health Right Free and Charitable Primary Medical and Dental Care

Project Information

The overall mission of Wheeling Health Right (WHR) is to provide quality primary health care, dental care, and pharmaceuticals to the uninsured and underinsured including expanded Medicaid patients. This is an effort to meet the growing need for Medicaid providers precipitated by the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Wheeling Health Right's goal is to ensure that quality health care and medications, as well as health education and preventive services, are provided to those most in need - the uninsured, Medicaid recipients, underinsured, as well as those who can't afford the high deductibles of their Marketplace plans. With increased responsibility at the state level on covering the increasing percentage of costs of Medicaid, the Wheeling Health Right Clinic and board are committed to decreasing dependence on state funding and establishing long-term, sustainable funding, regardless of the availability of state funds. The Clinic continues to grow its free dental clinic services to meet another pressing need in the Northern Panhandle. Wheeling Health Right recently met a long-term goal of adding a mobile clinic to its service delivery options and the mobile clinic just completed its first year in operation.

Wheeling Heritage Foundation

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Project Information Wheeling Heritage CO.STARTERS Scholarship Program

Project Information

Wheeling Heritage's CO.STARTERS Scholarship Program supports aspiring and early-stage entrepreneurs by providing scholarships to cover the program's enrollment fee of \$200.00. This initiative aims to reduce barriers for low- to moderate-income individuals seeking to start or sustain small businesses in Wheeling's downtown and surrounding areas—some of the city's most distressed neighborhoods.CO.STARTERS is a ten-week cohort-based program facilitated in partnership with the Regional Economic Development Partnership (RED). It equips participants with the tools, relationships, and knowledge needed to validate and launch their business ideas. The program fosters a collaborative and supportive learning environment, led by experienced facilitators who guide participants through topics such as identifying customers, building a brand, legal structures, financial modeling, and growth planning.Scholarships made possible through NIP will directly support individuals, enabling them to pursue their entrepreneurial goals. This aligns with Wheeling Heritage's broader mission to revitalize the community through small business development and downtown revitalization. The program is especially impactful in creating economic opportunities for underserved populations while enhancing the vibrancy and resilience of Wheeling's commercial districts.By offering CO.STARTERS scholarships, Wheeling Heritage removes financial barriers, encourages creative problem-solving, and supports entrepreneurs as they build sustainable businesses that strengthen our local economy.

Wheeling Symphony Society, Inc.

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Project Information Partnerships to Build Capacity and Self-Reliance for Children and Families

Project Information

Partnerships to Build Capacity and Self-Reliance for children and Families brings Wheeling Symphony staff and musicians together with local organizations for the mission of providing assistance to children and families in distress to develop a pathway out of the tradition of poverty through education and training. This project offers people who live in economically distressed neighborhoods training in music through free after-school programs for children, Young People's Concerts created for grades 3-8, and interaction with families by nurturing them and developing trusting relationships. Through this project we aim to "see" families who are living in distressed neighborhoods and children and adolescents in crisis living in youth shelters, to nurture their talent and give them dignity, purpose, responsibility, and a pathway toward breaking the tradition of poverty. This project is uniquely situated because we have partnerships with so many organizations that offer emergency services and assistance to clients in highly distressed neighborhoods of East Wheeling, downtown Wheeling, and Wheeling Island. Together we can offer more and better services than can be provided by only one organization. Together we can "see" and engage with the whole person. This project focuses on children and adolescents to develop self-reliance, discipline, and a "can-do" attitude that will help them graduate from high school and be prepared to enter the workforce or attend college or technical training through the guidance of staff in this collaborative effort. Building self-confidence in their abilities, whether it be by making music or listening to music will give them hope in themselves, in their families and in others. Music is a part of all our lives and must be a part of a collaborative plan to lift people from poverty to find that hope.

Youth Services System, Inc

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Project Information Homeless Services for Youth and Adults

Project Information

The mission of Youth Services System, Inc. (YSS) is to create better futures for children, families and our community. Since 1974, YSS has cared for vulnerable youth and adults through shelter, behavioral health, recovery programs and more. Our work began when Brother Ron Mulholland fostered two teen boys, which became the Samaritan House emergency shelter (ages 8-17). This grew into additional services, including the Helinski Shelter for young girls (ages 8-17) and transitional housing for youth who aged out of foster care or the shelters (ages 17-21). YSS also provides services to homeless and street youth in the community. In FY 2024, YSS served 92 youth in our emergency shelters and 110 in transitional living and community youth. In 2017, we expanded services through our sober living homes for adult men and women and in FY 24, YSS served 58 people in our recovery homes. The services offer good health practices, education and employment opportunities. Also, in 2017, we opened a free store offering clothing and household items. In 2023, we opened two food pantries. One for the community and one for the youth in our transitional living program. YSS staff help unhoused individuals who need services by assisting with resources, emergency funds for deposits and the first month's rent through a private funding source. YSS operates the Ronald C. Mulholland Juvenile Center, a secure juvenile facility serving youth ages 10-21 through a detention program. We offer a range of programs and services including Youth Mentoring Network (formerly Big Brothers Big Sisters), prevention and intervention services that promote social and emotional well-being, school-based mental health and suicide prevention in schools, behavioral health services, including Quiet Minds for youth experiencing psychosis and family support through supervised visitation and parenting classes. The youth and adults we serve are seeking better futures for themselves and their families.

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Project Information High Rocks Academy

Project Information

High Rocks is a leader in transforming the lives of young people in West Virginia through seven diverse programs, including sustainable farming and a classroom without walls experience. Our summer camps, particularly the High Rocks Academy, offer a variety of classes, mentoring opportunities, and wellness activities for teenage girls and visiting college interns. The new Beginnings Camp serves as a stepping stone for girls entering High Rocks Academy, providing essential skills and knowledge. Admissions are open for rising 8th-grade girls. We also offer leadership roles for older girls and college interns, welcoming staff from a nationwide network of professionals. Camp Steele is designed for older girls, featuring two academic tracks in areas such as art, media, and STEM. Volunteers teach math and financial literacy concepts, offering in-depth learning in an academic setting. Admission is for grades 8 through 12, and we provide full scholarships to ensure that financial situations do not prevent participation. High Rocks also runs a college access program and a student leadership program during the school year, promoting mentoring, tutoring, and community outreach. Our programs encourage personal growth and empowerment.

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304-799-2484**Project Information** Pocahontas County Opera House Youth Arts Engagement Program**Project Information**

The Youth Arts Engagement Program of the Pocahontas County Opera House encourages donors to support programs for youth in our community through the Neighborhood Invest Program. The Youth Engagement Program funds our after-school and summer theater programs. It has also enables us to expand in-school programming and youth focused in-house performances and workshops. The after-school theater program targets low income and at risk families. The Opera House provides a safe place for students who have minimal family support or opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities a chance to feel connected to their community by engaging in creative healthy activities. These programs help the students develop self-reliance and confidence that discourages them from making bad decisions that could lead to drug use and addiction. It also builds communication and social skills and encourages leadership and goal setting. Staff and volunteers from the community who have gone on to higher education serve as role models for the students. This encourages them to look beyond public assistance and set career goals for their own future. The week-long summer camp provides classes in drama skills, dance movement, puppetry, set and prop design. The Missoula Theater Company model which helps students mount a full production (including sets, costumes, music, and props) in one week's time gives the participants a real sense of accomplishment as they take to the Opera House stage and perform for a packed house. Older students will serve as junior-counselors, mentoring the younger students. This encourages their leadership skills and promotes drug prevention for both groups. Both the summer and after-school programs provide healthy snacks for all participants.

Arthurdale Heritage, Inc.

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(304) 864-3959**Project Information** "Handing Down our Heritage," an Appalachian Traditional Arts Program**Project Information**

The Appalachian Traditional Arts Program of Arthurdale Heritage, Inc. offers educational opportunities in rural Preston County in traditional arts, inclusive of woodworking, metalsmithing, weaving, food ways, writing, music and dance. Each of these arts represent core activities of the historic cooperative community of Arthurdale, the nation's first New Deal Homestead Community, established in 1934 under the direct supervision of First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt. While much of the programming takes place on the museum campus of Arthurdale Heritage, many classes are designed to be able to go "on the road" and serve directly in senior residential facilities, senior centers, as well as inside school classrooms, and we offer no less than 7-8 educational opportunities off-site each year. In 2024, the Appalachian Traditional Arts Program reached 2400 individuals with 72 educational opportunities. This program, while separate, directly complements the museum and historic preservation operations of Arthurdale Heritage, Inc.

Special Olympics West Virginia

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Project Information

Revealing the Champion in Those with Disabilities

Project Information

The true power of Special Olympics West Virginia lies in its' ability to create positive change in the lives of individuals with intellectual disabilities. Special Olympics West Virginia is often the only place where they have opportunities to develop a strong belief in themselves. They begin to see themselves differently. Whether stepping onto the field, court or other venue, they will see themselves as individuals who can do much more; who have a purpose in their lives; and who highlight their skills while reducing the tendency to see their disability instead of the person. The organization enables these individuals to train for and compete in multiple competitions which provide opportunities for them to demonstrate their courage, showcase their abilities, fulfill their hopes, and reach their potential. These individuals have the determination to give their best and overcome challenges when given the chance. Individuals will participate at no cost to them or their families so low socioeconomic status does not prevent their involvement. Prior to each competition, individuals will train with local volunteer coaches so they may test their skills and improve their competencies. The competitions, which are scheduled to provide continuous year-round opportunities, include Fall Sports Festival, State Bowling Championship, Winter Sports Classic, Spring State Basketball and Cheerleading Tournament, State Golf Championship, and Summer Games. The individuals participate in 18 different sports including track and field, swimming, softball, bowling, basketball, cheerleading, football, golf, skiing and more. Each competition includes divisions based on age and ability level to give participants an equal opportunity to compete. All participants are publicly recognized for their accomplishments. The competitions are all designed to improve physical fitness and motor skills, enhance self-confidence, offer social interaction and reduce isolation, and promote acceptance.

WomenCare Inc., dba FamilyCare Health Centers

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Project Information

FamilyCare Health Centers Bridging the Gap: Access to Care for Students

Project Information

WomenCare Inc., dba FamilyCare Health Centers (FCHC), provides comprehensive, high-quality, cost-effective health care for all, regardless of ability to pay. Since 2011, FCHC's school-based health (SBH) program (including both brick-and-mortar and mobile units) has been a key part of its outreach, ensuring convenient medical and dental access for students in Boone, Kanawha, and Putnam counties. The pediatric SBH program aligns with FCHC's mission, delivering services directly into schools with a holistic approach to student health. Services include well-child exams, acute care visits, injury treatment, immunizations, dental screenings and cleanings, x-rays, sports/camp physicals, nutritional counseling, and health education. Many students served would not otherwise receive this essential care. In Kanawha County, FCHC operates permanent sites at Mary C. Snow West Side Elementary, West Side Middle, Capitol High School, and West Virginia State University. Boone and Putnam County SBH services, along with those in Pocahontas and St. Albans, are provided via mobile units. The program now supports five Boone County schools, four in Pocahontas, ten in Putnam County, and four in St. Albans. Boone County Schools: Brookview, Madison, and Ramage Elementary Schools; Madison Middle; Scott High. Kanawha County Schools: Mary C. Snow Elementary, West Side Middle, Capitol High (Charleston); Anne Bailey and Weimer Elementary Schools, McKinley Middle, St. Albans High. Putnam County Schools: Buffalo, George Washington, Winfield, Pocahontas, and Rock Branch Elementary; Pocahontas Middle; Buffalo, George Washington, Winfield, and Pocahontas High Schools. FamilyCare's NIP project will support the expansion and sustainability of its school-based health program, delivering essential medical and dental services directly to students through fixed-site and mobile units. The project removes barriers to care for children with limited access to care and strengthens community health in central West Virginia.

Active Southern West Virginia

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Project Information Move More with Active SWV**Project Information**

Active Southern West Virginia's NIP Project, "Move More with Active SWV," empowers West Virginians of all ages to take charge of their health through free, accessible physical activity programs. This project focuses on reaching youth, families, the workforce, and older adults with community-based activities that reduce barriers such as cost, travel, and lack of experience. By increasing physical activity levels, the project aims to reduce preventable healthcare costs, improve the ability to attend medical appointments, support more productive daily lives, and lessen the long-term need for government assistance. At the heart of this project is a network of trained volunteer leaders—local residents who improve their own health while gaining leadership skills. These volunteers lead free programs in their own rural communities, helping neighbors build confidence, form social connections, and meet national physical activity guidelines. "Move More with Active SWV" supports volunteers with beginner-level fitness certifications, risk management, liability coverage, program equipment, and promotion. These resources ensure safety, consistency, and long-term impact. Activities include after-school Kids Run Clubs, walking groups, water aerobics, bicycling, paddling, and beginner fitness classes—all designed to be welcoming and inclusive. Donations to this NIP project directly support the expansion of these programs, providing more West Virginians with opportunities to prevent chronic disease, reduce dependence on healthcare systems, and create a culture of health in their hometowns. From small towns to rural hollers, this project helps West Virginians lead healthier, more active lives—together.

Beckley Area Foundation, Inc.

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Project Information Creating Solutions for Stronger Communities**Project Information**

Beckley Area Foundation raises awareness of community needs and provides accessible ways to contribute, creating both immediate and lasting impact. Donations support health, education, economic development, public safety, and overall quality of life for all ages. BAF uniquely allows donors to tackle diverse challenges with both immediate funds and ongoing income from permanent endowments.

Brian's Safehouse, Inc.

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Project Information Hope and Healing: Scholarships for Substance Use Disorders

Project Information

The Hope and Healing Scholarship Program provides scholarships for adults trapped in substance use disorders (SUDs). Coming to us through various channels, neither they nor their families have the means to afford help, but these men and women are worth rescuing! Rodney is one of those rescued: His friend searched for him until he found him in a crackhouse, lying at death's door. Taken to the hospital, he recovered enough to come to Brian's Safehouse. He came with no shirt, one shoe, and holding a bottle of soda—his only possession—that he feared we would take from him. We kept it for weeks where he could see it—and see that we were here to help him. Rodney couldn't believe that people weren't out to get something from him, but gradually he began to trust; he threw his old soda away, and he grabbed hold of a new life. He learned that there is Hope. He learned to be joyful without getting high. He learned to deal with emotions, fears, and past hurts—hurts against him and hurts he had caused others. He now lives at the Safehouse, telling and showing residents there is a new life! Over the 12 months of the residential program, residents are given the skills and the time needed to rebuild their lives and escape the enslavement of SUDs and all chemical dependencies in a safe, closed-campus environment. Our strong Aftercare Program and close-knit recovery community with transition housing units, graduated rent, transportation, and mentoring help ensure continued recovery and a successful reentry into society. Hope and Healing: Scholarships for Substance Use Disorders has brought freedom to Rodney and many others and will continue to bring freedom to men and women, lifting them out of poverty, hopelessness, and even lives of crime and raise them up to live lives of purpose and productivity. Health and healing CAN come to them and their loved ones; families can be restored and the cycle of addiction and despair broken. There IS hope for addiction!

Hospice of Southern WV

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Project Information Camp Hope Children's Bereavement Camp and Bereavement Support Program

Project Information

In 2026, Hospice of Southern West Virginia will hold the 13th annual Camp Hope. This children's bereavement camp is expected to serve at least 40 children in a secure and nurturing atmosphere with activities led by licensed professionals. Recognizing that each child's personal loss is unique, the camp staff provides a safe environment where grieving children receive comfort and support to facilitate the healing process. They form lasting friendships and enjoy activities that encourage them to be kids. Camp is scheduled to last 3 days and will be held at a location that offers an array of activities in addition to the therapeutic exercises. Participants will receive engagement opportunities such as storytelling, arts, journaling, group discussions, and interactive group exercises such as an obstacle course, Yarn-web, yoga, and constructing a memory box. Camp Hope offers children who have experienced the loss of a loved one the opportunity to understand both the individualistic nature of grief and to connect with peers who are also working through loss. Attendees are able to express their grief in a safe, non-judgmental environment, focusing on their own unique healing process rather than being told how they should grieve. Camp Hope uses engagement techniques coupled with best practice models to support children. This program directly affects the lives of hurting young people in a positive way. In addition to coping with deaths from aging or disease, Southern WV counties have been ravaged by loss from the opioid epidemic, with WV still leading the nation in rates of unintentional overdose deaths. The need for bereavement services in our four-county service area is critical. True to its name, Camp Hope gives hope in terms of positivity and mental health support for children. Camp Hope acknowledges that grief is a difficult process of the human condition, but healing is possible.

Just For Kids, Inc.

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Project Information Just for Kids, Inc. Enhanced Services

Project Information

Just for Kids, Inc. will continue to utilize NIP credits to provide quality advocacy services in a child friendly, trauma informed way. This includes:

Multidisciplinary Investigative Team (MDIT): One of West Virginia's first streamlined teams focused specifically on child trafficking, including partners from law enforcement, child protection, domestic violence services, and the judicial system. Specialized Training & Coordination: Team members receive advanced training in identifying and responding to trafficking, with a dedicated Project GRACE Coordinator overseeing implementation and interagency collaboration. Expanded Trauma-Informed Services: The project enhances access to forensic interviews, medical exams, therapy, and advocacy services tailored to the unique needs of trafficking survivors. Community Engagement & Education: Project GRACE raises awareness through outreach in high-risk areas, partnerships with local businesses, and public education campaigns to shift perceptions and improve early identification. Data-Driven Practices: The initiative uses a custom screening tool and robust data collection to evaluate impact and refine service delivery. This project complements Just For Kids' core mission of creating a safe, child-friendly environment for healing and justice, while addressing emerging threats to child safety in the region.

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Project Information Neighborhood Investment Scholarship & Emergency Assistance Program

Project Information

The New River Community and Technical College Foundation enhances student access to educational opportunities, workforce training programs, and essential services. Operating within our 10-county service area, the Foundation addresses gaps by offering NIP scholarships and emergency assistance to economically disadvantaged students. These scholarships are especially valuable for students whose course loads don't qualify for state and federal aid. Priority is given to residents of counties with the highest poverty rates and lowest median household incomes. Ultimately, this investment contributes to higher college graduation rates and reduced unemployment in our state.

Raleigh County Prevention Coalition, INC

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Project Information Raleigh County Drug-Free Communities, Youth Substance Use Prevention

Project Information

Raleigh County Drug-Free Communities Program is a youth substance use prevention program that utilizes the seven strategies of community level change including information dissemination, skill enhancement, providing support, enhancing access and reducing barriers to resources, changing consequences, environmental changes, changing policies that are support prevention for youth. Our community coalition does this through our youth drop-in center, evidence-based curriculum, engaging youth in taking leadership of their community, community public art, educating the community about the reality of how the local youth are engaging or perceive substance use, providing resource closets/direct support to families to reduce stressors that may lead to substance use, engaging the local board of education in effectively incentivizing youth who are not using substance and social media messaging. We do this through community collaboration of other agencies and organizations with a common goal of preventing youth from engaging in substance use and caring for their mental health.

United Way of Southern West Virginia

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Project Information United for IMPACT

Project Information

United for Impact addresses southern West Virginia's basic needs, provides resources to families, and makes referrals to additional local resources. Through direct services and community partnerships, United for Impact provides basic needs and emergency support to families and individuals living below the poverty level in southern West Virginia. United for Impact provides educational resources to Title I Schools and students from low-income households. United for Impact identifies students who need essential clothing or household items. Working with local school systems through our Equal Footing Shoe Fund, we recognize and address students' needs. Our relationship with local school systems allows us to provide needy children with food, clothing, hygiene items, bedding, and other resources. United for Impact provides emergency utility assistance to households with utility termination notices. Maintaining power and water is necessary for households to survive and thrive. United for Impact focuses on southern West Virginia's literacy rates, coordinating volunteer readers in elementary classrooms. We provide books to students from low-income schools, identifying the essential need for children to have access to reading material at home. United for Impact provides the 2-1-1 Information and Referral Hotline, connecting callers from Fayette, McDowell, Mercer, Nicholas, Raleigh, Summers, Webster, and Wyoming counties with needed resources. We provide referrals based on the callers' zip codes, ensuring information about local resources.

Davis & Elkins College

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Project Information Davis & Elkins College Highlands Scholars Regional Program

Project Information

Davis & Elkins College has a proud and enduring tradition of serving first-generation and low-income students. Founded in 1904, the College was established to expand access to higher education for the citizens of Elkins, West Virginia, and the surrounding rural Appalachian region. Honoring that mission, the Highlands Scholar Program was launched in 2009 to make private higher education more affordable for students across the state. Initially created for a seven-county region, the program offers enhanced scholarships to qualifying students with a minimum 2.5 GPA: \$19,000 per year for residential enrollment and \$16,000 for commuters—totaling \$76,000 and \$64,000 over four years. Recognizing the need across West Virginia, D&E later expanded the Highlands Scholar Program to include students from all 55 counties. Those outside the original region receive \$14,000 per year for on-campus enrollment and \$11,000 for commuting—bringing a private college degree within reach for many families. Many of these students are not only the first in their families to attend college, but often the first to graduate from high school. The program provides a meaningful pathway to a high-quality, private education close to home—at a cost students and families can afford. To date, Davis & Elkins has invested more than \$46.9 million to support 2,424 Highlands Scholars from the original seven counties. In fall 2024, 161 students enrolled from that region; for fall 2025, 110 have already committed, with more joining each day. At Davis & Elkins College, students thrive in small classes, benefit from individualized attention, and are embraced by a supportive campus community. The College is committed to providing a life-changing education—and thanks to the Highlands Scholar Program, that education is accessible without the burden of lifelong debt.

Historic Beverly Preservation

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Project Information Beverly Community Education & Assistance

Project Information

The Beverly Community Education & Assistance project by Historic Beverly Preservation and Beverly ON TRAC serves local low-income residents with limited opportunities to meet their direct needs and help increase self-reliance. We provide library services for the Beverly community through the Beverly Branch Library in the Beverly Heritage Center, providing year round workspace and internet access. We are an activity site for the Beverly Bookmobile and its summer reading program that helps students stay engaged with learning through the summer, improving school performance & retention. Beverly Heritage Center provides youth events with activities and handout materials to support reading, healthy foods, arts, and education for local children, and is planning to offer cold weather refuge and homework support for snow days. With our facilities including BHC and community room, we offer training, workshops, and programs on topics such as economic development training for small business, tourism development, and job skills; home maintenance information for repairs, maintenance, preservation, energy efficiency, and disaster preparation and response; and healthy foods access and education about gardening and healthy lifestyles including hosting a summer farmers market for fresh produce. We also provide technical assistance to local low-income residents who need help in these areas, and work with them directly to address their needs and help them find additional resources, including emergency assistance in cases of individual or community emergencies. With our partners, we will offer activities or programs providing youth and community educational opportunities that serve at least 200 local low-income attendees. Through workshops, direct service, programs, or direct technical assistance to increase self-sufficiency, build skills and economic capacity, support housing maintenance, and encourage healthy foods access, we will assist at least 30 local low-income individuals.

Randolph County Children's Advocacy Center

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Project Information Enhanced Advocacy Project

Project Information

Randolph-Tucker Children's Advocacy Center coordinates a team approach to the investigation and treatment of child abuse. Recorded forensic interviews are conducted by trained individuals in a child friendly space, bringing together all investigating agencies to collaboratively work together for the best outcomes for children at risk. RTCAC then connects these children and their families to shelter, legal protection, medical treatment, crisis counseling and other resources and services as needed, free of charge. RTCAC's Family Advocacy Project will fund targeted support services to low-income families in crisis, enabling struggling caregivers to provide support to their children.

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Project Information Arts Education for All

Project Information

The Arts Center's goal is to provide a diverse arts programming schedule year round to our community. Amongst the many arts opportunities we offer, arts education classes are one of the most popular serving almost 400 students yearly. The opportunity offers tuition based arts education scholarships for art classes, especially our After School Art Program, and a Student Art Exhibition. These scholarships will be available to any age in need. Our Arts program provides quality arts education in a variety of mediums such as pottery, ceramics, stained glass, fused glass, painting, mixed media, music, and outdoor art, taught by qualified professional artists that are dedicated to sharing their knowledge. Research shows that art heals mentally, provides an educational benefit that aids in other subjects for the school age children, and builds confidence in children and individuals. Our After School Art program supplements the school experience to elementary level children and is available weekly throughout the entire school year. Throughout the year, instructors offer tuition based art classes. To spread arts awareness and celebrate the success of our arts education program, we have a Student Art Exhibition during Youth Art Month scheduled for March of 2026. What better way to promote arts and let these young artists shine in our community!

Randolph County Humane Society

PO Box 785

County Randolph

Elkins

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26241 **Phone** 3046144591

Project Information Randolph County Humane Society Compassion in Action Program

Project Information

The Randolph County Humane Society's Compassion in Action program provides services to low-income clients such as spay/neuter assistance, straw for outdoor animals in cold temperatures, emergency veterinary medical care, emergency pet food assistance, fencing to keep animals safe and contained, and other services on a case-by-case basis that keep animals healthy and safely with their families.

Youth Health Service, Inc.

971 Harrison Avenue

County Randolph

Elkins

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26241 **Phone** 304-636-9450

Project Information Safe & Reliable Access to Care

Project Information

Safe and Reliable Access to Care is Youth Health Service's initiative aimed at linking children receiving mental/behavioral health counseling to their providers year round. We know that consistent ongoing services is a vital link to improved symptoms and being able to get children to their services can be quite a burden for some families. With Safe and Reliable Access to Care, our established transportation department is able to connect children to their providers by picking them up from school, home, grandma's, daycare... wherever they are...and transport them to the designated office for their prescribed treatment. With funding from this project, we provide transportation services completely free of charge for children and families in the immediate Elkins area from August through May, and include surrounding areas during the months of June, July, and August. With this service available to families, children are able to attend their treatment services year round without caregivers being burdened with how to juggle work, find a ride or gas money or worry about how to manage siblings while their child is in their appointment. With a signed permission form, our trauma informed, safety trained and CPR certified drivers pick their child up from the predetermined location, transport them for their service and then transport them back to the predetermined location; it's that simple! This project ensures that our Safe and Reliable Access to Care Initiative can continue completely free of charge to children who may otherwise have inconsistent services and lingering symptoms of mental/behavioral health conditions. With year round, consistent services we know that children have a better opportunity to improve their health and overall wellbeing and this project makes it possible.

Hinton Area Foundation

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County Summers

Hinton

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25951 **Phone** (304) 228-1744

Project Information Come Grow With Us!

Project Information

We will mainly ask current donors to add to certain current individual funds that they support in order to grow our base. We will only ask for support for those funds that fit the NIP parameters. We will also solicit new donors and offer the NIP credit program as incentive to start new funds. Due to the time constraints of the NIP program, we will use a first come first serve approach.

REACHH Family Resource Center, INC

411 Temple Street

County Summers

Hinton

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Project Information REACHH- Emergency Assistance

Project Information

We are a social service agency located in the historic town of Hinton, which is in Summers County, WV. This year, we celebrated 35 years of serving our rural community. We look forward to continuing our efforts in helping build strong, resilient families by offering concrete support in times of need. We have been able to supply families with funds for emergency housing, shut off utility notices, emergency appliance purchases, and help for folks that do not qualify for other assistance programs during the brutal winter months with heating concerns, and also help for the homeless and displaced people in the community. Many of these families require additional services and food. We offer food pantry services to our community, which also provides cleaning and hygiene supplies. We recently started a "Meal of the Month" club in addition to our other services. These bags are free for families and includes a recipe card with everything needed to make the recipe given for that month. REACHH isn't a "cookie cutter agency". Each day, we strive to resolve the variety of situations our community endures and what crisis may arise.

Upshur Cooperative Parish House Inc.

68 College Ave.

County Upshur

Buckhannon

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26201

Phone 304-472-0743

Project Information Upshur Parish House & Crosslines Community Assistance Program

Project Information

Since 1992, the Upshur Cooperative Parish House has served our Upshur County “neighbors” by providing access to basic necessities—food, shelter, clothing, and warmth—during times of need. For our 2025 NIP project, we propose expanding our core outreach services while launching new programs that address growing gaps in support for children and families. With reductions in SNAP benefits and limited funding for programs like LIEAP and Dollar Energy, our Crosslines program is expanding. As the county’s most consistent source of emergency utility and rental assistance, Crosslines is expected to support 800 households in 2025—helping prevent evictions and shutoffs for our most vulnerable neighbors. After the WV Department of Education took control of Upshur County Schools in 2023 and the Excess Levy failed, service gaps have emerged—especially for food-insecure students. In response, we launched the Break Bag program to provide meal kits to students during extended school breaks, when vital school-based meals are unavailable. In 2024/25, we expect to serve 725 students at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring Break. Beginning in 2025, we will extend this support through our new Head Start Bags program, providing monthly food assistance (including summers) to 120 preschoolers—100% of whom live below the poverty line and get no weekend food support from the County school system. To improve overall well-being, we also offer items not covered by SNAP but essential to daily life. Our Holiday Meal Packages provide all the ingredients needed for a complete holiday meal, allowing families to celebrate with dignity. Additionally, we will distribute over 3,200 dignity-focused pantry kits—including hygiene products, cleaning supplies, and diapers—to promote health and stability throughout the year.

West Virginia Wesleyan College

59 College Ave

County Upshur

Buckhannon

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Phone 304-473-8600

Project Information The West Virginia Opportunity Scholarship at West Virginia Wesleyan College

Project Information

West Virginia Wesleyan College (WVWC) has remained committed to fostering intellectual growth among West Virginians for nearly 140 years, empowering them to serve their communities. WVWC alumni can be found across the state and nation, holding leadership roles in fields such as business, industry, public service, politics, healthcare, government, and education. To support Wesleyan’s commitment to making a high-quality education affordable and accessible to all who seek it, WVWC is requesting funds to support the West Virginia Opportunity Scholarship. This scholarship is intended for students from 12 Central West Virginia counties—Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, Fayette, Gilmer, Greenbrier, Lewis, Nicholas, Pocahontas, Roane, Upshur, and Webster—whose household income is at or below 125% of the federal poverty level. As college costs rise across the county Wesleyan is reaffirming its commitment to the local community, state, and Appalachian region that it serves.

Golden Girl Group Home

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Project Information

Recreational Activities for Golden Girl Group Home

Project Information

Recreational Activities for Golden Girl Group HomeGolden Girl Group Home houses 24 girls ages 12-18 who have been sexually abused, neglected and abandoned. The girls have been taken out of their homes and brought to us to live, grow and heal. Unfortunately, funding for recreational activities is not available for our girls. Research shows that girls who have been victimized (especially sexually) shows an increase in positive behaviors due to a variety of recreational activities for them to engage in. It is increasingly expensive, especially with the current national inflation and uncertainty in the markets, for 24 girls to have activities throughout the year. Also, the availability of donor designated funds toward recreational activities are slim. Recreational activities include: annual membership to the local YMCA, specialized trauma stretching with moves that increase self-esteem & confidence and an annual camping trip which includes wildlife educational activities and cultural arts enrichment. The variety of activities along with the extra staff cost, travel and other expenses are necessary for this program. The girls that come to live at Golden Girl are orphaned, traumatized and come from poverty stricken homes. The stipend received per day to cover the cost of living for the girls to be at GGGH does not include resources to provide for recreational activities. The combination of poverty and abuse creates such a bondage within the hearts of the girls that it shows in their behaviors and all aspects of their lives. Commitment and a variety of fun, rewarding and educational activities significantly helps the healing process and produces more positive behaviors. According to "The Journal of Abnormal Psychology" children especially adolescents that have Post Traumatic Stress Disorder caused by abuse and neglect benefit tremendously from consistent "fun" and "diverse" recreational activities. Society benefits and the cycles of abuse are broken.

ArtsLink, Inc.

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County

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Project Information

ArtsLink Concerts and Theatrical Activities 2025-26.

Project Information

ArtsLink will present concerts and theater productions at low or no cost to the audience or participants. Admission costs currently remain at 2001 levels. NIP credits will be used to encourage sponsorships and other donations to allow free and reduced-price events. In addition to the adult population of the area, ArtsLink plans to involve about 900 children in its activities. All the covid-related canceled activities have been completed and ArtsLink is planning a seven-event concert series for 2025-26.

Boys & Girls Club of Parkersburg

1200 Mary St.
Parkersburg

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County Wood
26101 Phone 304-485-6434 x3

Project Information Transportation Project 2025

Project Information

Over the past four years, the Boys & Girls Club of Parkersburg has expanded its transportation network from just two participating schools to 21 schools across Wood County—a dramatic increase that reflects both rising demand and our commitment to accessibility. In 2024 alone, we safely transported 17,067 youth to the Mary Street Clubhouse, and we anticipate that this number will continue to grow as the 2025–2026 school year begins. To meet this growing demand, our proposed NIP Project includes the purchase of an additional Club van, bringing our fleet to five vehicles, and the renovation of our current garage facility. The garage upgrade will include the installation of a new bay door, removal of outdated equipment, and the creation of additional parking space to consolidate our fleet in a secure, weather-protected area. Currently, our vans must be parked in separate areas due to limited space, which complicates maintenance and logistics. Expanding and renovating our garage will allow us to: * Protect our vehicle investment and extend their lifespan * Improve operational safety and efficiency * Support a higher volume of transportation routes * Enhance the security of our vehicles * Reinforce our commitment to quality, reliability, and youth care This project directly complements our existing out-of-school time programming by addressing a critical access barrier for families. Improved transportation capacity ensures that more youth—especially those from low-income and high-need areas—can attend programs that offer safety, mentorship, academic support, and meals during vulnerable hours after school and throughout the summer.

Habitat for Humanity of the Mid-Ohio Valley

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County Wood
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Project Information Building Stability through Affordable Home Ownership and Repair in Wood County

Project Information

Habitat for Humanity of the Mid-Ohio Valley builds homes in partnership with those in need of affordable, permanent housing. Homebuyers partner with our organization by agreeing to work on their own and other Habitat homes, take homeowner readiness courses, and repay an interest-free mortgage. Habitat homeowners work alongside community volunteers to build their home. Habitat MOV also administers a Minor Repair program for low-income homeowners, enabling them to stay in their homes by making needed repairs. Access to affordable housing is a challenge for many low-income families in our community. Housing that is available is oftentimes substandard. One in nine households in West Virginia are burdened by housing costs spending half or more of their income on housing (Habitat for Humanity International, 2022 State of Home Affordability in West Virginia). Habitat's affordable homeownership and repair program is a solution to address the rising cost of housing in our communities. As part of this project, Habitat will construct one single family homes in Wood County, and we will make simple repairs on six homes, located in Wood County. As a result of the projects, at least 15 low-income individuals will be in safer, more stable housing. In addition to building and repairing homes, Habitat will also provide homebuyer education and home maintenance classes in order to prepare partner families for owning their home. Our Minor Repair program for low income homeowners has set a goal to complete one repair project per month with half of those being in Wood County, WV. Approximately 12 West Virginians will be impacted annually by these repairs, and will not be forced to move into less stable/affordable living situations.

Humane Society of Parkersburg

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Wood

Phone 304-422-5541

Project Information Spay Away Together

Project Information

Humane Society of Parkersburg provides free spay/neuter procedures and a one-year rabies vaccine to low-income individuals. Eligibility is verified by participation in one or more state or federal assistance programs. Our veterinarians provide this service by appointment in our free-standing spay/neuter clinic along with providing services to the general public. Our standard cost for these services is low; however, this can still be a barrier for some clients who would otherwise have their animals altered to help with the pet overpopulation. This project allows low-income pet owners to receive these services by presenting an award letter, Medicare or Medicaid card or any other documentation validating participation in some form of government assistance. Appointments ensure adequate staff resources are available to provide the safest care for each of the animals being altered. The clinic's goal is to provide these services and prevent unwanted or unneeded litters of puppies or kittens that increase the number of pets the owner has to provide care for or re-home.

Parkersburg Area Community Foundation and Regional Affiliates

1620 Park Ave.

Parkersburg

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County

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Phone 304.428.4438

Project Information Targeted Support for Local Needs

Project Information

The Parkersburg Area Community Foundation (PACF), a trusted public charity serving West Virginia for more than 60 years, is governed locally and supported by more than 200 community volunteers. Together, they build and manage charitable funds that provide grants to meet the critical needs of economically disadvantaged individuals and communities. The PACF's FY 2026 Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) project will continue to address essential needs, including basic human needs, food access, youth care, and substance use disorder prevention and recovery services. To fund these efforts, PACF will leverage its 24-hour online giving event, Give Local MOV, and three key initiatives: Community Action Grants Program: Competitive grants addressing identified community priorities. Community Sponsors Program: Sustains the PACF's capacity to serve. Targeted Field of Interest Funds: Hunger Fund, Safety Net Fund, and Recovery Fund. The PACF distinguishes itself by uniting citizens in its service area to collaboratively improve their local quality of life. This is achieved by collectively raising funds for the public good and distributing grants to address the most pressing needs in their communities. The PACF enhances regional civic capacity by involving volunteers in organizational leadership through its Regional Affiliates network and locally based citizen committees. The PACF's FY 2026 NIP project is particularly focused on the counties within its service region, where it is the sole community foundation funder. Notably, three of these counties are classified as "distressed" and two are "at risk" by the ARC, underscoring the critical need for the PACF's support in these areas.

Parkersburg Art Center

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Parkersburg

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County Wood
Phone 3044853859

Project Information "Art is Life/Life is Art"

Project Information

The Parkersburg Art Center (PAC) will continue the very effective "Art is Life/Life is Art" program, which recruits and engages area senior citizens with low and/or fixed incomes. These individuals will participate in creative art activities at a very low cost, and all their art materials will be provided. 12-session art classes will each enroll students who will be 55+ years of age. Art activities will be offered at two or more off-site centers for senior citizens, including classes taught at Blennerhassett Island State Park. One hundred+ will be involved in one of the daytime classes, for which they will pay a nominal tuition. We expanded the offerings this year, and plan to do the same for the coming year, with sessions devoted to weaving, paper maché sculpture, monotype printing and mixed media, as well as basic and advanced painting, drawing and working with clay. The program is designed to get older individuals out of the house and involved in creative activity with their peers. It provides social contact for those who are alone and isolated. Peer assistance and collaboration on projects will be encouraged, building a cohort of senior citizens who are actively engaged in MAKING. Students are encouraged to come to PAC whenever they like to work on their projects in their dedicated classroom. A new twist added this year has been the monthly "outdoor art for seniors" taught on Blennerhassett Island, which includes a ferryboat ride. These excursions are a fun, social extra offered to our "Art is Life.." participants. The culmination of the program is a main gallery exhibit, with an opening reception, open to the public at no charge, that displays the work of all the senior artists. This event is focused on getting older individuals engaged and enjoying viewing, learning and working together in the arts.

The Parkersburg Area Coalition for the Homeless, Inc.d/b/a House to Home

825 7th Street
Parkersburg

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26101

County Wood
Phone 304-488-8103

Project Information House to Home Day Shelter

Project Information

For over fifteen years, House to Home Day Shelter has helped the neediest and most vulnerable in our community who otherwise would go without the most basic needs. House to Home Day Shelter, a project of the Parkersburg Area Coalition for the Homeless provides food, shelter, clothing, hygiene, and a place for those in need of companionship and acceptance. Whether homeless, living in inadequate housing, living on fixed incomes, or not earning nearly enough from a job to make ends meet, folks can find help at House to Home Day Shelter. During weather emergencies such as a summer heat wave or the bitter cold of last winter, House to Home Day Shelter is a place where people can escape the extreme heat or freezing temperatures. House to Home Day Shelter also works with other agencies to find needed help for people in crisis, including treatment for substance use disorder, mental health treatment, housing, and employment. House to Home Day Shelter offers services during daytime hours when overnight shelters may not be open. Everyone deserves a place to call home - that's why House to Home Day Shelter is there.

The Salvation Army of Parkersburg

534 Fifth Street Parkersburg	WV	26101	County Wood	Phone 304-485-4529
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Project Information Salvation Army of Parkersburg Social Service Program

Project Information

The Salvation Army of Parkersburg Social Service program serves members of our community by providing help to thousands of residents in the Greater Parkersburg area through our food pantry, utility assistance, rental assistance, shelter and soup kitchen. We offer emergency services of food, rental and mortgage assistance and utility assistance, as we look to meet our clients' physical and spiritual needs. While some clients receive assistance regularly, most simply need help getting through a hard time or crisis. Our feeding program includes our food pantry, community meals and mobile canteen. In all that we do, our focus is making an impact on the community. We see progress every day made through the efforts of dedicated officers, employees, volunteers and community partners and donors.

Women's Care Center

P.O. Box 4765 Parkersburg	WV	26104	County Wood	Phone 304-485-7122
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Project Information Grow Family Program for Expectant and New Parents

Project Information

Our Grow Family Program for Expectant and New Parents provides for the needs of mothers, fathers, and babies in the Mid-Ohio Valley. The Grow Family Program is a support service of Women's Care Center and consists of four areas of support for mothers and fathers: 1. Mentoring 2. Education 3. Community Connection 4. Material Assistance. Many of the families who are enrolled in our program visited our medical clinic at the beginning of their pregnancy for no cost pregnancy testing and ultrasound. We also accept those who call us with needs including foster families who have received infants with very little notice. Mothers and Fathers schedule mentoring times in our clinic each month and they have the opportunity to complete online parenting and self-help courses from our Bright Course library. Completing these courses not only provides valuable education but it gives parents a way to earn credits toward large baby items during their participation period. They can earn up to three sizable items including strollers, cribs, and car seats. During their mentoring visits, parents discuss the completed educational segments, share current parenting challenges, receive encouragement and a listening ear from our volunteer mentors. We assist with various requests from our families for needs they have in their homes such as assistance with utilities and household items. If we are unable to help directly, we maintain a community resource catalog for crises the family may be experiencing. The parents end each visit with a "shopping" session in our boutique where they select exactly what they need. Parents find the boutique stocked with diapers, wipes, baby clothes and misc. items that parents need for their children. Moms and Dads have their own section of the Boutique with maternity clothes, toiletries, and gift items. Parents can participate in the Grow Program until their children are 18 months old. All services and material goods are at no charge to our families.