



Recent Grants: Community Grants - Dutchess County

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Adaptive Design Association

\$2,690

The funding will help offset the cost of the program coordinator and instructors for workshops for the new Design Center ADA is launching in Dutchess County. ADA will develop local partnerships in Dutchess County, identify families and individuals in need of services, create assistive devices and offer trainings.

www.adaptivedesign.org

The Art Effect

\$4,000

The grant will purchase digital and media equipment for high quality program delivery. The Art Effect teaches emerging digital arts technologies to a diverse population of youth in Dutchess County, preparing them with the critical skills necessary for future college and career success. Students have access to hands-on learning opportunities using various forms of technology including computers, digital cameras, sound and light kits, tablets, and professional software to develop fluency in digital arts.

www.feelthearteffect.org

Bardavon 1869 Opera House

\$4,500

The funding will cover the teaching artist fees for two arts-in-education programs - Hip Hop Theater (HHT) at Poughkeepsie Middle School and Circus Fiesta at one or more Poughkeepsie elementary schools. Six guest teaching artists will work with classroom teachers in daily in-school workshops that culminate with performances for family, friends, and classmates on the Bardavon stage.

www.bardavon.org



Boys & Girls Club of Newburgh

\$2,500

The funding will be used for artist fees for the Poughkeepsie Performing Arts Academy (PPAA) which will provide high quality instruction in the performing and visual arts. Course offerings will include dance (ballet, tap, jazz, and hip-hop), music (violin, viola, keyboards, guitar, piano, voice), visual arts (painting, drawing, sculpture, and photography), and theatre (acting for TV, film and stage).

www.bgcny.org

Camp Herrlich

\$1,000

The grant will cover scholarships for Dutchess County students with financial need to attend before and after school care. Camp Herrlich offers licensed school-age child care programs with high-quality, well-trained staff for primary, elementary, and middle schools in the Pawling School District.

www.campherrlich.org

Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies

\$3,000

Equipment enabling live-streaming capabilities in the Institute will be purchased with the funds. It will expand the Institute's ability to share scientific information with residents of Dutchess County and beyond.

www.caryinstitute.org

Common Ground Farm

\$4,185

Grant funds will purchase various pieces of technology equipment and software to be used by staff, interns and volunteers for programming, administrative and farm wholesale needs. Additionally, CPR & first aid training will be covered for staff which will enhance the safety of the children, volunteers, and visitors to the farm for programming as well as at markets.

www.commongroundfarm.org



Dutchess Outreach

\$5,000

A gas convection oven will be purchased with the grant funding for use in the Lunch Box community meal program. The equipment upgrade will enable more meals to be created more efficiently. Dutchess Outreach acts as a catalyst for community revitalization and exists in

www.dutchessoutreach.org

Exodus Transitional Community

\$3,000

Funding will be used towards professional development opportunities in trauma informed care for staff. This training will open new ways of understanding the trauma people experience, and how to help staff and participants manage their triggers, understand the ways that past experiences shape us, and create safety plans for dealing with our own traumas as we undertake the work of helping others. The training will give staff critical tools for engaging more effectively with participants, employing a longer-term impact, and help meet the goals of successful re-entry.

www.etcny.org

Habitat for Humanity of Dutchess County

\$2,500

Funds will be applied towards a contract for website design and complementary social media services to improve communication with families, volunteers, donors and the community at large. A new user friendly format will engage more people, increase donations and volunteer engagement.

www.habitatdutchess.org



Hudson River Housing

\$5,000

The grant will cover startup supplies and installation of a shower for participants at HRH's Porch Light Drop-In Center, which addresses the immediate needs of homeless and at-risk individuals and then links them to shelter and services. The Drop-In Center offers assistance through HRH Care Managers, access to a shower, laundry facilities, water, snacks, basic supplies and a reprieve from the streets.

www.hudsonriverhousing.org

Mid-Hudson Aquatics

\$5,000

Funding will cover discounted swimming lessons and scholarships for competitions for youth in Poughkeepsie. Mid-Hudson Aquatics is the only nonprofit organization in Dutchess County running affordable swim lessons. They serve children of all economic backgrounds, including special needs and Spanish only speaking families. Swim lessons are for all ages and advanced swimmers are given the opportunity to compete.

www.midhudsonaquatics.org

Mid-Hudson Heritage Center

\$3,579

The funding will be used to establish a sustainable financial and accounting system that will support growth. A bookkeeper will help to create systems throughout the organization to track and account for income and expenditures and acquire software. Mid-Hudson Heritage Center is dedicated to enriching the area through arts and cultural events.

www.midhudsonheritage.org



North East Community Center

\$3,000

Grant funds will be used to create organization-wide improvements to the computer and information systems of the organization including replacing outdated equipment and software and staff training in key areas. These improvements will better serve NECC's clients and keep information collected protected.

www.neccmillerton.org

Stony Kill Foundation

\$4,185

Funding will be used to help expand garden plots offered to families with low incomes. Current plots are sold out annually. The water system will be re-engineered and a composting and organic fertilizer distribution station will be created.

www.stonykill.org

Stringendo

\$2,500

The funding will help cover the cost of transportation for youth from the City of Poughkeepsie to attend Stringendo's Saturday morning orchestra program. Stringendo strives to provide the students of the City of Poughkeepsie with the same opportunity as any other child – to grow musically and personally, to pursue their passions, to learn to their fullest potential, to become aware of opportunities for their future, to imagine their lives' possibilities and to follow their dreams.

www.stringendomusic.org

Wassaic Project

\$4,000

Lighting equipment in the education facility will be updated using the grant funding. Better, safer lighting will contribute to quality programming and an increase in attendance and engagement. The Wassaic Project uses art and arts education to foster positive social change

www.wassaicproject.org



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2017 Grant Recipients:

Bardavon 1869 Opera House, Inc.

\$2,500

The funding will help underwrite the teaching artist, conductor, and musician fees for an educational workshop and concert designed to introduce young students to classical music and the instruments of the orchestra. The Classroom to Concert is an in-school program in which a Teaching Artist will work with teachers and their students on lessons about instruments and how to listen to music. Students will create a musical score that will be performed at two Young People's Concerts.

www.bardavon.org

Catharine Street Community Center

\$5,000

CSCC will utilize the grant to support the position of the Preschool Teacher which will enable the hiring of a qualified individual to deliver evidence based instructions and evaluations for the Preschool Readiness Skills Building Program. This will help to stem staff-turnover and inconsistent enrollment and participation in programming.

<http://catharinecenter.org/>

The Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse

\$3,000

Grant funding will be used to support the training of volunteers for the Personal Safety Program in order to reach more children. PSP educators provide sexual abuse prevention education to children in elementary school, and to their parents and teachers throughout Dutchess County.

<http://www.thecpca.com>



Dutchess Outreach

\$2,000

Funding will be utilized to keep the produce in the Beverly Closs Food Pantry fresher, longer as well as to ensure a more effective "First in First Out" process so that food is not thrown away. This will improve client's food choice, improve the effectiveness of the emergency food packing and storage facility to heighten nutritional standards, create more space for the foods received, and to positively impact the overall experience and quality of the service offered to the community.

www.dutchessoutreach.org

Harriet Tubman Academic Skills Center

\$2,000

Funds provided will help to cover operational costs of the program, including daily healthy snacks, educational material and computer supplies. HTASC is an after-school program designed to emphasize academic success through successful completion of daily homework and engagement in meaningful enrichment activities. A non-threatening, supportive environment is provided for children that might not otherwise receive academic support and positive encouragement.

<http://htasc.org>

Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation

\$5,000

Funds will equip five clinical staff members with iPads to deliver the best possible care to patients and their families. Nurses, social workers, chaplains and music therapists use computers to document their visits, to request and/or follow prescription and durable medical good requests, to alert staff to changes in individualized plans of care and the need for follow up or additional visits from other disciplines, reference information and materials.

www.hvhospice.org



Hudson Valley Mental Health, Inc.

\$2,500

Necessary equipment will be purchased in order to provide telepsychiatry services to clients which will increase access to care, improve client satisfaction and overall population health outcomes. Telepsychiatry is the delivery of psychiatric care through the use of HIPAA compliant telecommunications technology, specifically video conferencing between patient and off-site Psychiatrist.

www.hvmh.org

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley

5,000

A commercial quality IT network switch will be purchased with the funding, which will increase the efficiency and organizational capacity of the Poughkeepsie office and provide the necessary connection to the terminal server in White Plains. The switch increases the reliability of the network connection and the consistency with which staff can perform basic tasks to provide better service to clients.

www.lshv.org

Literacy Connections of the Hudson Valley

\$2,000

The funds will help to purchase laptop computers and software for the Book Buddies Coordinators for use on school sites throughout Dutchess County to support the Book Buddies & Classroom Book Buddies program. The laptops will enable the program coordinators to quickly and effectively pull program data, schedules and learning materials on site and make them available to volunteers in elementary schools.

www.literacyconnections.org



Mid-Hudson Workshop for the Disabled

\$5,000

The grant will support the purchase of a semi-automatic flour/powder dispensing machine, which will dramatically increase the capacity of the dry food co-packing division. The dispenser would improve MHW's service to existing customers and allow it to secure additional co-packing and fulfillment business, increasing the nonprofit's sustainability and enabling it to further its mission by hiring more disabled workers.

www.midhudsonworkshop.org

Mill Street Loft & Spark Media Project

\$2,000

Funding will help build and professionalize the sound equipment library, which includes microphones, audio recorders, tripod, and boom systems. Professional sound quality is essential for media production, and this equipment will ensure that youth participants learn to work with professional equipment to produce high-quality digital and media products.

www.millstreetloft.org

North East Community Center

\$3,000

The database purchased will improve the ability of staff to serve clients and track organizational goals and outcomes across all programs, leading to improved, better-coordinated service for clients. Having comprehensive, accurate data will in turn facilitate reports on activities and their results--at many levels within the organization and to both current and potential funders and donors.

www.neccmillerton.org



Rebuilding Together Dutchess County

\$2,500

Through the Home Safety and Fire Prevention Program, RTDC will recruit and train volunteers to provide home safety and fire prevention services, such as installing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguishers, house numbers, and exterior lighting and educating homeowners on fire safety. The program will target the most vulnerable residents in the community, including low-income seniors, individuals living with a disability and families with children.

www.rebuildingtogetherdutchess.org

Vassar-Warner Home

\$1,000

The grant will help fund critical upgrades to administrative office technology. It will assist in the improvement of office operations that will in turn improve efficiency and quality of services for those served.

www.vassarwarner.org



2016 Grant Recipients:

Family Services

\$2,000

The grant provided an anti-racism workshop for staff. Family Services provides a wide array of services to a diverse cross section of individuals within the community. Integrating into the organization's culture an understanding of race, structural racism and its manifestations in work with clients and in staff environment is an organic extension of Family Services' mission and vision.

<http://www.familyservicesny.org/>

Ferncliff Nursing Home

\$3,795

A recumbent bicycle was purchased with grant funds for the new Therapeutic Gym in the Center for Neurodegenerative Care, giving residents opportunities to maximize strength and ability as long as possible in the face of chronic progressive illness. Ferncliff is developing a state-of-the-art Center for Neurodegenerative Care to meet the needs of an underserved population of adults with Huntington's disease and other neurodegenerative conditions.

<http://www.archcare.org/ferncliff-nursing-home>

Grace Smith House

\$2,700

The grant was used to create a safe, warm & welcoming library space for children and families impacted by domestic violence in order to help begin the healing process, improve attachment between parents & children and improve school readiness and academic performance. Books within the library are used during programming, which focuses on developing coping skills to deal with traumatic events and developing appropriate social skills and healthy relationships.

www.gracesmithhouse.org



Hudson River Housing

\$4,000

Funds purchased storage cabinets and supplies distributed on an as-needed basis to address the basic emergency and goal-related needs of homeless individuals and families residing in supported emergency, transitional, and permanent housing. HRH provides programs that address critical needs of homeless households and provide opportunities to quickly move from shelter to stable housing with 24-hour services available.

www.hudsonriverhousing.org

Hudson Valley Community Services

\$1,180

Funding was used to engage a Registered Dietician to develop 7 new THRIVES nutrition education modules and purchased additional grocery store food vouchers for THRIVES participants. Additional modules were needed to address chronic conditions experienced by participants and new topics such as Calcium & Stronger Bones. This will enable THRIVES clients to become healthier as a result of enhanced nutrition health education and give additional funds to purchase needed food.

www.hudsonvalleycs.org

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley

\$4,950

New computer monitors, laptops, printers and WiFi devices were purchased in order to meet the increased demand for services and promote marketing of services throughout Dutchess County with the overall goal of capacity-building.

www.lshv.org



Mediation Center of Dutchess County

\$3,875

Grant funds partially funded Restorative Justice (RJ) training for staff and volunteers. RJ is a process that involves those with a stake in a specific offense to collectively identify and address harms, needs and obligations in order to heal and put things as right as possible. It brings people together to have their voices heard, find community support, and move forward and heal

www.dutchessmediation.org

North East Community Center

\$5,000

Funds helped to pay for the NECC Summer Connection, an affordable enrichment program for children ages 5 to 12. The program's goal is to foster a love for learning while nurturing social and emotional growth. In 2016, the 4-week program enrolled 43 children in 4 weeks of activities with each week centering on a theme with a local professional leading activities. In 2017, the themes will focus on music, theater, nature, and sports.

www.neccmillerton.org

Planned Parenthood Mid-Hudson Valley

\$4,000

Funds purchased essential primary care assessment tools for blood pressure, pulse oximeter, thermometer, otoscope (ears) and ophthalmoscope (eyes) for the Poughkeepsie Health Center. Expanded primary care will ensure that prevention measures (such as flu shots) are up to date and chronic illnesses are diagnosed and treated early among the low income, high risk population served.

www.ppmhv.org



Ramapo for Children

\$3,000

Summer camp scholarship support for financially disadvantaged children with social, emotional, and learning disabilities who reside in Dutchess County was the focus of grant funds. Camp Ramapo's summer residential program provides children who are at-risk or have special needs with adventure-based experiences that promote relationship building, social skills acquisition, and healthy emotional growth. In 2016, Camp Ramapo served a total of 520 children and provided over \$118,000 in scholarship support.

Rebuilding Together Dutchess County

\$2,500

Funds helped launch and implement a Fire Prevention and Safety Program. Volunteers were recruited and trained to provide fire prevention and safety services to low-income households in Dutchess County that will include installing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and educating homeowners on fire safety. This program will decrease the risk of fire and fire-related deaths, injuries and property-damage among some of the most vulnerable residents of the community.

www.rebuildingtogetherdutchess.org

Temple Beth-El: Social Action Committee

\$3,000

The Jewish Social Action Coalition provided nutritious food from grocery stores, farm stores and the Hudson Valley Food Bank for the most food insecure students attending Morse Elementary School in Poughkeepsie. Working closely with school personnel, the Coalition provided food on weekends and school vacations in order to reduce hunger and increase the ability of students to focus on academic pursuits. Recognizing that food is a right and not a privilege and that students who do not have their nutritional needs met are at risk health-wise and educationally, the Coalition strives to make a real difference to the students.



2015 Grant Recipients:

Anderson Center for Autism

\$4,550

The grant, from the Northern Dutchess Fund, helped purchase 26 computer servers for smart boards to run updated software and programs. These are utilized in the classroom to assist teaching staff and more effectively educate students and help them retain information grasped by merging learning with physical engagement and audio/visual appeal.

www.andersoncenterforautism.org/

Bardavon 1869 Opera House, Inc.

\$1,000

The grant, from the Senator Stephen M. Saland Legacy Fund, covered the artist fees for four educational performances by professional guest artists at the Bardavon. This support helps maintain a low ticket-price of just \$6, or \$3 with the Bardavon Field-Trip Fund subsidy. Teaching guides for the programs are made available to teachers so that they can link what the children see and hear in the theater to their classroom activities and New York State Common Core Standards.

www.bardavon.org

Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies

\$4,500

The funds helped purchase A/V equipment for the Institute's auditorium, to improve the quality of on-site programming and ability to share content digitally, through online video and live-streaming. The Institute's auditorium hosts monthly environment-themed public lectures, reoccurring management forums, and K-12 teacher training workshops. The equipment increased the reach and impact of their efforts by providing land managers with access to a high-quality online library of forum videos, allowing teachers to tune in remotely or access past trainings online, and benefit the not-for-profits and businesses that make use of the auditorium.

<http://www.caryinstitute.org/>



Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam, Inc.

\$1,250

The grant, from the Senator Stephen M. Saland Legacy Fund, purchased desktop computers, one for the Council's Training Coordinator/Infant Toddler Specialist and another for the Health Care Consultant, both to increase capacity and improve operations.

<http://www.childcaredutchess.org/>

Community Family Development, Inc.

\$4,494

The funds supplied new computers for operations and program updates to the Administrative and Security departments ensuring the organization's mission to providing quality, consistent childcare services and developmentally appropriate early childhood and youth programs.

www.cfdcenter.org/

Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County

\$2,500

Funds purchased technology for staff and helped consolidate office spaces to better serve constituents and enhance organizational sustainability. CCEDC will continue to build strong, healthy youth, adults, families and communities while enhancing the economic, social, and agricultural and natural resources of Dutchess County.

<http://ccedutchess.org/>



Dutchess County SPCA

\$4,000

The grant purchased an Electric Veterinary Surgical operating table, which allows technicians and veterinarians a more stabilized and useful operating room table. The funds also helped support the start of the 2016 Capital Campaign to expand and to refurbish the DCSPCA clinic, by providing long lasting basic updates for the lead agency for animal rescue and adoption in Dutchess County.

<https://dcspca.org/>

Dutchess Outreach, Inc.

\$1,500

The grant, from the Senator Stephen M. Saland Legacy Fund, helped with the growing demand of the Beverly Closs Food Pantry services, by helping to purchase food, toiletries and other necessities from the Regional Food Bank continuing to meet the basic needs of low-income people when no other resources are available to them and to assist them in becoming self-sufficient.

www.dutchessoutreach.org/

Family Services

\$1,386.34

The grant, from the Senator Stephen M. Saland Legacy Fund, provided for the purchase and installation of surveillance cameras and stream-light flashlights and holders to enhance the ability to provide a safe and secure environment for staff, partners, and clients. Family Services' mission is to help families and individuals help themselves through direct services, collaboration and advocacy.

<http://familyservicesny.org/>



Grace Smith House, Inc.

\$3,035.05

Funds upgraded the server in order to accommodate growing needs. By maintaining a centralized server and database, Grace Smith House can ensure continuous and secure backup of data furthering their mission of enabling individuals and families to live free from domestic violence.

<http://www.gracesmithhouse.org/>

Half Moon Theatre

\$1,250

The grant, from the Senator Stephen M. Saland Legacy Fund, helped purchase laptops and a printer/copier/scanner for administrative staff to efficiently handle essential tasks related to administration, box office, fundraising, arts education programs, marketing, public relations and more.

www.halfmoontheatre.org/

Hudson River Housing, Inc.

\$4,350

The funds supported the establishment of a satellite office in Millerton led by the Director of Community Development with on the ground support from a full-time AmeriCorps VISTA member. The office allows staff to have an expanded presence through which to assess the housing needs of northeastern Dutchess communities and expand the Real Estate Development and Community Building and Engagement services to under-served communities in Dutchess County.

<http://hudsonriverhousing.org/>



Legal Services of the Hudson Valley

\$4,472

With services in high demand and staff substantially increasing in size, funds purchased laptops that will allow more of the Poughkeepsie-based Staff Attorneys to work remotely from home in the evening or on weekends and/or to meet with disabled clients outside of the office.

<https://www.lshv.org/>

Meals on Wheels of Greater Hyde Park, Inc.

\$1,328.95

Funds helped purchase a computer, printer and software to increase the organization's ability to function efficiently and provide one central location for documents, billing records, correspondence, grant applications and a database. The transition from paper records to a computerized system will enhance the security of the person-specific information maintained on clients. Meals on Wheels will be better capable of streamlining office functions, maintaining confidentiality of personal data, allow the potential to analyze data and make appropriate changes as a result of the data and to maintain financial records in a safe and secure manner.

<https://mealsonwheelsofhp.org/>

Mid-Hudson Association for Persons with Disabilities

\$2,801

The funds purchased an additional computer and laptop used to enhance the organization's ability to provide needed services for families who have a disabled member with special needs, living at home and increase efficiency in delivery of services within the organization and the Hudson Valley community.

www.MHAPD.ORG



North East Community Center

\$5,000

The grant, from the Northern Dutchess Fund, supported the NECC Summer Connection, an affordable day camp for children ages 5 to 12. The camp, held at the Millerton Elementary School, within walking distance of many low-income families, fosters a love for learning while nurturing social and emotional growth. The funds will help to expand the program to four weeks and enroll 40 children, ages 5 to 12, in 2016.

<http://www.neccmillerton.org/>

Nubian Directions II, Inc.

\$3,500

The funds purchased computers, chairs, workstations, software licenses and surveillance cameras to upgrade the existing community computer lab with state-of-the-art equipment, software and monitoring devices. Nubian Directions II, Inc. provides technology training, work readiness skills training, and educational support services for youth and adults to build skill sets that enhance their ability to enter, grow, and succeed in the local workforce in an ongoing effort to foster sustainable community development.

www.nubiandirections.org

RDC Loaves and Fishes Inc.

\$5,000

The grant purchased a computer, laptop, printer, copier and fax machine, conference table and chairs for the Center of Compassion which has the mission to nurture hope, liberation and empowerment by offering nutritional support, advocacy and counseling to all low income individuals. The funds will also helped purchase a training software program and a maintenance package for the new equipment.

<http://rdccenterofcompassion.org/>



Rebuilding Together Dutchess County

\$5,000

The funds supported the migration of the RTDC website to a supported platform that reduced the risk of malfunction as well as increased functionality and usability. The funds also went towards the purchase of a computer. RTDC's mission is to bring volunteers and communities together to revitalize homes and neighborhoods in Dutchess County.

<http://www.rebuildingtogetherdutchess.org/>

Stanford Free Library

\$5,000

The grant, from the Northern Dutchess Fund, upgraded patron-use computers and purchased new laptops. The mission of the Stanford Free Library is to provide the Stanford community with access to a wide variety of materials and technologies for reading, listening, viewing and internet research.

<http://stanfordlibrary.org/>



2014 Grant Recipients:

Alzheimer's Association, Hudson Valley/Rockland/Westchester Chapter

\$1,180

This grant will be used to purchase new desktop computers for use by volunteers, as well as a new shredder to protect client and donor confidentiality.

<https://www.alz.org/hudsonvalley/>

Arts Mid-Hudson

\$577

Funds will help purchase chairs, a brochure rack, and projector to accommodate participants for workshops and programs, and to share information on the region's arts and cultural scene.

<https://artsmidhudson.org/>

Baptist Home at Brookmeade

\$765

This grant will support the New Day Explorations in Art program. Funds will help with the costs of materials, supplies, equipment, and staffing for this innovative program that offers residents, especially those living with dementia, a means of self-expression and communication when memory, speech, and movement have been compromised by illness.

<http://communityatbrookmeade.com/the-baptist-home/>



Bardavon 1869 Opera House

\$1,500

This grant will provide funds for 2014-15 Season Field-Trip Fund. This is a subsidy program that makes tickets for the Daytime Series children's performances affordable at just \$3 each for Dutchess County public schools students, teachers and chaperons. Over 600 low-income students will have the opportunity to attend a professional live-arts performance in their local theater that is also an important part of the cultural and historic fabric of the community in which they live.

<http://www.bardavon.org/>

Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corps.

\$1,595

Funding will support the purchase of refurbished Toughbook laptops.

<https://sites.google.com/a/beaconvac.org/beacon-volunteer-ambulance/home>

Beekman Library

\$1,500

This grant will enable the purchase of push button automatic door openers to allow ease of access through the library's main entrance. The openers will improve access to and use of the library building by all library users, including those with physical disabilities and caregivers with strollers and multiple small children.

<http://beekmanlibrary.org/>

Catharine Street Community Center

\$3,500

Funding supports a fundraising technology upgrade in order to operate more vibrantly in the current not-for-profit world.

<http://catharinecenter.org/>



The Child Abuse Prevention Center

\$3,000

This grant will be utilized to purchase portable electronic tablets for The Center's case managers to utilize in the field while working with clients.

<http://www.thecpca.com/>

Common Ground Farm

\$3,000

Funding will support the rehabilitation of Farmer and Intern housing, including a heating system to allow for year round use.

<http://www.commongroundfarm.org/>

Community Family Development

\$2,000

Funding will help to purchase the Quality Stars (QS) Creative Curriculum, corresponding staff development training and phone system upgrades will enhance CFD's program and bring it up to the Quality Stars standards.

<http://www.communityfamilydevelopment.org/>

Dutchess Outreach

\$3,383

Funds will help purchase food to supplement the Beverly Closs Food Pantry when stock is low or lacking nutritious items. This will help to ensure the food pantry meets the increased demand of food-insecure individuals and families in Dutchess County.

<http://dutchessoutreach.org/>



Edge Athletics

\$2,500

Funding will enable 17 student athletes to attend a week of summer basketball camp in 2015. The camp uses basketball as a vehicle for teaching boundaries, respect, teamwork, socialization skills, cultural awareness, fostering cooperation, discipline and the health benefits of being physically fit.

<http://www.edgeathletics.com/>

Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-Kill

\$1,783

Funding will help purchase desktop computers to facilitate efficient workflow and website design services to create a new website that will enhance marketing, program recruitment and community engagement.

<http://ervk.org/>

Family Promise of the Mid-Hudson Valley

\$2,055

Through a network of local Churches, Temples and Mosques, Family Promise of the Mid-Hudson Valley places homeless families for one to two weeks at a time in rotation for overnight accommodations. This grant will provide funds to replace damaged air mattresses with durable, high quality folding cots.

Grace Smith House

\$1,000

This grant will help purchase a multifunction printer to improve client services by streamlining document collection and creation to a reliable instrument. This grant will also help to provide better training materials and outreach education materials throughout Dutchess County.

<http://www.gracesmithhouse.org/>



Housatonic Valley Association

\$700

In classroom and in the field, Dover Plains High School students have learned the science behind protecting streams and rivers. The students have collected in-stream water quality data, planted native trees and shrubs to improve water quality, and removed invasive Japanese Knotweed at the edge of the stream. They are learning to interpret watershed characteristics such as land-use, land-cover, soils, and topography and how to make connections between watershed characteristics and quality of aquatic habitats.

<https://hvatoday.org/>

Howland Chamber Music Circle

\$1,650

Funding will be used to purchase an online ticketing and box office system and laptop computers with software containing all of the HCMC information. Online ticketing will make it easier for local patrons and out-of-town visitors to purchase tickets, and more people will have the opportunity to enjoy chamber music.

<http://www.howlandmusic.org/>

Hudson River Housing

\$2,000

Funding will be used for the purchase of furniture for HRH's new Employment and Training Station (EATS) which will offer resources specifically designed to help homeless individuals build basic life skills, increase job readiness, and advance their employment/vocational training goals. The expectation is that this initiative will ultimately lead to increased levels of self-sufficiency, financial security, and housing stability.

<http://hudsonriverhousing.org/>



Hudson Valley Community Services

\$2,500

This grant will support the purchase of additional phone terminals and transport of existing phone system to HVCS' new Dutchess County office.

<http://www.hudsonvalleycs.org/>

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley

\$2,333

Critical resources and tools will be provided that will enable special education case handlers to work more efficiently, more easily access needed legal information, and stay abreast of the latest news, trends and best practices in the field. The SpecialEd Connection component of this project will benefit young people enrolled in special education classes and their family members. The Clearinghouse Review component will benefit low-income clients, but especially Dutchess County clients who have disability or public benefits.

<https://www.lshv.org/>

Lucky Orphans Horse Rescue

\$1,500

Funds will support the purchase of office technology equipment and supplies to organize mental health records for the Equine-Assisted therapy program to adhere to the HIPPA regulations, medical records for rescued horses, 4H records, financial records and session/lesson schedules. Equine-Assisted Psychotherapy assists with people suffering from many types of mental health issues; including, but not limited to, PTSD, depression, grief, and abuse.

<http://luckyorphans.bravesites.com/>



Mediation Center of Dutchess County

\$904

Funds will be used to purchase a Smart TV. The TV will help increase capacity to review and assess volunteer mediators' videotaped performances, use multi-user Skype to include students who wish to serve on the Anti-Bullying Youth Summit planning committee, but cannot make the meetings in Poughkeepsie, and utilize Skype for mediation sessions for clients who have transportation issues.

<https://dutchessmediation.org/>

North East Community Center

\$3,000

Funding from this grant will provide an efficient transportation solution for local Medicaid clients in northeastern Dutchess County.

<http://www.neccmillerton.org/>

Pawling Free Library

\$2,000

This grant will provide funding for new laptops to teach people in the community and surrounding areas basic and advanced computer skills necessary to compete in the work place and to stay in touch with family and friends. The training classes will follow the curriculum developed by the Digital Literacy in New York initiative. Advanced training in web design and software will also be offered to interested community members.

<https://www.pawlingfreelibrary.org/>



Rebuilding Together Dutchess County

\$3,500

This grant will provide funds to families in need of critical emergency repairs to their homes, ensuring that they can live independently in a safe, healthy, warm and dry home.

<http://www.rebuildingtogetherdutchess.org/>

Spark Media Project

\$2,000

Funds will help purchase a professional cinematography package to significantly improve the quality of films made and give local youth hands-on experience with professional-grade equipment.

Sparrows Nest of the Hudson Valley

\$1,000

During an often emotionally, physically, and financially challenging time of year for families with moms who are in the midst of cancer treatment, this grant will help provide trays of food each week, including more fruits and vegetables. Families will also receive a care package containing non-perishable staple groceries and festive "Feel Good Bags" to each mom in treatment during the holiday season.

<https://sparrowsnestcharity.org/>

Stanford Free Library

\$1,375

This grant will support the replacement of an outdated children's computer center with a tablet and a touch screen computer that will engage children from preschool through 6th grade in educational content that covers all areas of the Common Core curriculum.

<http://stanfordlibrary.org/>



Stony Kill Foundation

\$1,200

This grant will provide funding for the purchase of metal folding chairs and folding tables to accommodate approximately 2,500 students annually as well as the approximately 2,000 visitors who attend Stony Kill's workshops, its four major events each year, and its ongoing weekend Open Barn days.

<http://stonykill.org/>



2013 Grant Recipients:

Alzheimer's Association

\$1,600

Funds will be used to purchase a laptop, desktop computers and an LCD projector for the Dutchess County office.

Bardavon 1869 Opera House

\$1,503

The funds will purchase computers and a scanner for the Bardavon Box Office to replace outdated equipment. This equipment is a part of the ongoing effort to maintain and update communications/data infrastructure to better serve audiences in the most efficient and professional way possible.

Beacon Sloop Club

\$1,500

The grant will purchase parts to repair and upgrade the electric motor system on the ferry sloop Woody Guthrie to improve reliability and allow for more public access to programs offered.

Beacon Sloop Club

\$1,000

Grant funds will purchase materials for the repair and restoration of the north interior wall of the Sloop Club building in Beacon.

Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam

\$1,500

Computers will be purchased to increase capacity and efficiency in daily work activities and to support the development of specialized graphic materials to distribute to parents, child care providers, community stakeholders, funders and the general population.



The Children's Home of Poughkeepsie

\$3,000

Grant funds will purchase tables for the Dining/Meeting Room, which serves as a multipurpose meeting, dining, event and children's activity space throughout the year.

Children's Media Project

\$1,499

Grant funds will be used to purchase two new MacBook Pro computers for use in educational programs.

Common Ground Farm

\$3,000

Grant funds will be used for the repair, maintenance and operating costs of equipment to increase the capacity of the mission-driven work of getting locally-grown, healthy vegetables to low-income people in Southern Dutchess.

Common Ground Farm

\$1,000

Grant funds will help to increase the soil health of the land. The three fold plan is to cover crop several acres, while leaving some acreage fallow to rest; adding compost on 4 acres; and adding soil amendments to fertilize next season's crops. This will stabilize the organization and increase the capacity of the mission-driven work of getting locally-grown, healthy vegetables to low-income people in Southern Dutchess.

Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response

\$498

Video and audio recording equipment will be purchased to record training sessions conducted by the MRC of Dutchess County to increase the number of volunteers who are able to complete this training and respond to an emergency.



Dutchess County Historical Society

\$1,000

Grant funds will be used to purchase a laptop for a staff member and a desktop computer to manage membership files.

Dutchess County SPCA

\$2,000

Computers will be upgraded with funding which will allow for faster data entry, more efficient report generation, and better communication with stake holders.

Dutchess Outreach

\$2,500

Funds will be used to supplement the Beverly Closs Food Pantry supply fund to purchase food when the pantry stock is low or lacking nutritional value to ensure being able to meet the increased demand of food-insecure individuals and families.

Housatonic Valley Association

\$1,500

Grant funds will be used to purchase plants for a Demonstration Rain Garden on the property of the North East Community Center, adjacent to the Millerton rail trail, to raise public awareness about a "solvable" environmental problem—storm water runoff, the number one cause of river and stream pollution.

Hudson River Housing

\$3,500

Funding will support the purchase of security camera equipment for the Administrative headquarters site, as well as backup hardware for video data. The equipment will help offer a safer environment for staff and clients, as well as a more secure building safeguarding client records, computer equipment, and client payments such as cash rental receipts.



Kids R Kids Feeding Program

\$1,000

Grant funds will purchase an all-in-one printer/copier/scanner/fax that will facilitate the printing of all marketing materials. A billboard display and a banner across Main Street, Beacon, will enhance public awareness of the Summer Meals Program in Beacon and increase the number of children being served at the various sites throughout the City.

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley

\$2,200

The grant will expand the Veterans and Military Families Advocacy Project and help design and implement community outreach activities and educational programs to raise awareness of programs and services offered.

Lexington Center for Recovery

\$2,000

Funds will be used to purchase new computers and network routers for clinical and administrative staff. All administrative and clinical operations will be transferred to an Electronic Medical Record software program.

Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation

\$872

Grant funds will be used to purchase a laptop computer for the Executive Director, which will enable her to work while on the road and share documents at board meetings.



Mill Street Loft

\$3,500

Funds will be used to pilot the Arts for Healing programs to new populations, including military and veterans' families, adults with developmental disabilities, and children on the autistic spectrum.

Planned Parenthood of the Mid-Hudson Valley

\$3,000

Funds will be used to upgrade computer systems in anticipation of the implementation of the Affordable Care Act. This will streamline workflow systems and ensure preparedness to meet increased demand in services.

Poughkeepsie Branch AAUW (Association of University Women)

\$1,500

The grant will purchase new books, materials, and bags to create family reading kits. These will be distributed to children taking part in educational programs at partner agencies in order to enhance their literacy programs. Materials are also provided to children who are involved in traumatic situations.

Poughkeepsie Day Nursery, Inc.

\$2,000

Grant funding will be used to fix playground equipment, which will help the children work on their physical and social skills. The aim is to encourage outdoor play as a way to help keep the children physically fit.



Poughkeepsie Farm Project

\$1,000

The grant will help develop pop-up gardens in Poughkeepsie; attend community outreach events to build understanding of the importance of growing and eating healthy, local food; provide start-up materials for community members interested in gardening; and create an online presence to communicate with the community.

Rebuilding Together Dutchess County

\$1,682

Grant funds will be used to purchase a PC and virus scan to reduce exposure to technology-related risks and to fund the migration of the RTDC website hosting and user training to allow for better collaboration, service, usability and growth opportunities.

Salvation Army of Greater New York

\$3,650

Funds will be used to upgrade old, faltering, and under-sized kitchen equipment with new and commercial size machinery. The equipment includes a steam table, mixer, juice dispenser, and several smaller pieces of kitchen equipment and utensils.

Stanford Free Library

\$1,500

Grant funds will be used to replace the existing printer/copier that is used by patrons and library staff. The new machine will provide greater efficiency for daily work flow.

Stony Kill Foundation

\$4,000

Funds will support the purchase of attachments and replacement parts for a recently-acquired used tractor, which will soon be vital for the running and maintenance of Stony Kill Farm, its crops, livestock, educational and environmental programs, Barn, Greenhouse, and other buildings.



Trinity United Methodist Church

\$3,000

Funds will support the purchase and installation of an emergency generator and for the necessary accessory equipment and electrical lines that are required to provide the food pantry's four refrigerators and two freezers with an uninterrupted power supply in the event of a power failure.