



The Community Chest 2023-2024 GRANTEES

Arts Horizons	This funding will promote Girls Empowerment, Family and Professional Development Workshops focusing on racial healing in the Englewood community, concentrating on girls in grades 3-9, marginalized families and public school teachers.	Jewish Family & Children's Services of Northern NJ (JFCS)	The funding will support the organization's East Bergen Mental Health Project, which provides emotional and behavioral health services for eastern Bergen County residents in need.
Bergen Family Center	This grant will provide a care plan with each homebound individual to ensure that medical treatment, medication compliance and access to social services is carried out to help lower premature nursing home placement.	Metro Community Center	This funding will support SAT prep for rising Dwight Morrow HS juniors enrolled in the MetroLIFE after school mentoring program.
Bergen PAC	Adapted to different cultures, funding for this program will provide food kits for families participating in the early childhood music & healthy eating program.	Office of Concern	This grant will provide weekly food bags provided by the Nutrition Plus Program to focus on healthier and fresh foods, keeping participants healthy.
Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative (BVMI)	Funding will allow volunteer practitioners to provide free quality physical and mental healthcare and access to community resources to working, low income and uninsured residents of Bergen County.	Prevention Opportunity Preparation (POP)	The funding for POP's youth employment program will allow for young people ages 14-24 to develop soft skills and preparation for employment and post secondary education.
Bloom Empowerment	This funding will assist in the organization's Single Mom's Rock Health and Wellness workshops for Bergen County women, teaching them about nutrition, physical fitness, and mental health.	Rotary Club of Englewood	Funding for this program will offer middle school students from five private and public schools in Englewood, the opportunity to meet and explore issues of community, diversity, engagement, social justice and equity in weekly workshops, culminating in a Peace Pole to be installed in Englewood.
Center for Food Action	This program will support a Pop-Up Emergency Food Distribution event at St. Paul's Church in Englewood distributing non-perishable food, milk and fresh produce for 70 families.	Spectrum for Living	The funding for this program will provide individuals with developmental disabilities to have access to improved in-home services and to receive devices, equipment and supplies to keep clients engaged and mentally stimulated.
Center for Hope and Safety	Funding will partially fund the Director of Children's/Certified Art Therapist for underserved children and the parents who are recovering from the trauma of domestic violence.	Tenafly Nature Center	The Nature Center grant will continue to provide year-round affordable environmental and science based education opportunities focusing on social, emotional and developmental learning loss.
Encounters in Black Traditions	Funding for this program will provide Englewood youth the opportunity to learn basic video production, how to construct a story, media literacy, video vocabulary and story storming about racial justice.	Vantage Health	This funding will provide for the continued services of a part time prescriber, allowing Vantage to provide much needed health services in a timely manner to individuals experiencing depression, anxiety and substance use/misuse.
Englewood Health	This grant will fund the Food Insecurity Response Initiative (FIRI) - Heart Failure Nutrition pilot program focusing on reducing high readmission rates for elderly patients diagnosed with heart failure upon hospital their discharge.	Volunteer Center of Bergen County	Funding for this organization's CHORE (Community Helpers Offering Repairs and Empathy) service will be beneficial to volunteers providing minor repairs to enable our "elderly" population to remain safely in their homes.
Englewood's Neighborhood Pantry	Funding for this program will assist in providing food for pantries and essential miscellaneous costs to fill the pantries for local working class and immigrant residents of Englewood and Bergen County.	West Side Infant and Daycare	This funding will assist in extending daycare to accommodate 2½-5 year old children of teenage parents, permitting parents to remain in school, job training or employment while fostering independence.
Family Promise of Bergen County	This funding will assist in this free, no-questions asked, weekly Walk-In-Dinner Program providing complete healthy meals to food insecure community members, the homeless and those who are financially struggling.	Women's Rights Information Center	This funding will provide critical mental health and well being support services, including trauma interventions to unserved local women to help achieve good health, employment and self-sufficiency.
Flat Rock Brook Nature Center	Funding will assist in providing supplies and quality programming based on school and best education practices to educate a diverse population in a relevant and socially appropriate manner.	YWCA of Northern NJ	This funding will help provide staff training for Teen Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) which will help equip teens with the knowledge to identify mental health symptoms and helps peers seek appropriate supports.
JCC Thurnauer School of Music	This music program will offer a weekly after school program for a minimum of 60 Englewood students in the upcoming year as well as one-day choral camp.		

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

[CONNECTIONS](#)

Within the Surgeon General's project on loneliness, this report describes a near epidemic in social isolation. The Chest is inviting everyone to join in this community effort to bring friendship, support and connectedness to those who feel cut off. Volunteers will have an opportunity to participate in this project as "connectors", outreaching to those who are without support and resources.

[Young Women's Leadership Program](#)

This is a program recognizing the outstanding contributions to their communities of junior and seniors from eastern Bergen County, through awards and special educational opportunities.

[Partnership for Healthy Eating](#)

This is a partnership with local nonprofits that focuses on addressing healthy eating as a means of combating serious health issues. This year the program is focusing on creating a Community Supported Agriculture and offering healthy dinners to groups of low income residents with health problems.

[Racial Justice Library Displays](#)

This program, offered in conjunction with CRUE, that works with local libraries to raise awareness about racial justice issues through creating book displays and other education strategies.