The Memorial Church Grants Committee

AWARDS | 2017–2018

We are pleased to announce the agencies and organizations that received financial assistance through the Memorial Church Grants Committee program. For 2017-2018, the church donated a total of **$50,000** to fund **62 projects** for local non-profit organizations. Thanks to all who donated generously to the Sunday Offering in support of this important program.

**Applications are now being accepted for the 2018-2019 award year.** For more information and to apply, please visit [memorialchurch.harvard.edu/grants-committee](http://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/grants-committee).

**Grants Committee Awards 2017-2018**

**The Memorial Church of Harvard University**

1) **Adult ESL Program Summer (PBHA):** to provide textbooks and site rental costs for ESL courses for adult immigrants.

2) **Afterworks:** to help sustain scholarship program for an afterschool program for low-income families.

3) **Agassiz Baldwin Community:** to support full and partial scholarships for low-income children to attend the “Outback Summer Program”.

4) **Bethel Institute for Social Justice:** to purchase robotics expansion kits for the “Math & Science Scholars Program”.

5) **Boston Refugee Youth Enrichment Extension (PBHA):** to fund the “Teaching Social Justice” project.

6) **Boston Refugee Youth Enrichment Summer (PBHA):** to fund “The Importance of Representation” series to hold discussions on race, gender, class, and sexuality.

7) **Boston Refugee Youth Enrichment Teen (PBHA):** to fund the “Beyond BRYE Teen: Community Connections” program for teens to discover how they can make tangible differences in their community.

8) **Boston Rescue Mission:** to address the cost of labor in renovations for a safe house for chronically homeless veterans.

9) **Cambridge Camping Association:** to provide engaging and innovative nature activities for children from low-income families.

10) **Cambridge Youth Enrichment Program (PBHA):** to support low-income youth efforts, classroom activities, and field trips.
11) Career Collaborative: to help expand workforce readiness training and career coaching services.

12) Casa Nueva Vida, Inc.: to help at-risk youth acquire computer skills and responsible digital literacy.

13) CASPAR, Inc.: to purchase new undergarments for female clients.

14) Chinatown Adventure (PBHA): to fund the “Speaking Up, Speaking Culture” program promoting self-awareness, identity, and empowerment through public speaking.

15) Chinatown After School Program (PBHA): to provide supplemental language materials for English language learners.

16) Chinatown Big Sib (PBHA): to support workshops and mentoring for Chinese youth to celebrate and develop their Chinese ethnic and cultural identity.

17) Chinatown Teen (PBHA): to purchase test prep books to enable mentors to better instruct high-school mentees on college entrance exams.

18) City Mission, Inc.: to cover expenses for “A Lift Up”, a homelessness prevention program for single mothers with dependent children.

19) CityStep Harvard: to support costs related to the 2018 CityStep Final Show.

20) Common Cathedral: to support the “Common Art” program for unhoused in Boston.

21) Community Legal Services and Counseling Center: to provide interpreters and transportation for immigrants and refugees who do not speak English.

22) East Boston Ecumenical Community Council: to furnish classrooms for “ASPIRING”, a dropout prevention and college bridge program.

23) Emerge, Inc.: to update manuals for Responsible Fatherhood program.

24) Epiphany School: to help complete the library and play area of the new Early Learning Center.

25) Esperanza Academy: to support the music program.

26) EVkids, Inc.: to provide food for a summer camp for low-income, academically vulnerable, but high-potential Boston youth.

27) Family & Children's Service: to provide program expenses for girls to participate in the Right Moves Program.
28) **Food Project**: to provide stipends for youth to help build gardens and lead workshops in supporting sustainable solution to the food system.

29) **Franklin After School Enrichment (PBHA)**: to implement the new “Science is Fun!” curriculum.

30) **Franklin I-O Summer Program (PBHA)**: to fund the “Franklin History Project” to empower Dorchester campers to become engaged in their community.

31) **Harvard Artz (PBHA)**: to buy art supplies to use in workshops at nursing homes.

32) **Harvard Habitat for Humanity (PBHA)**: to support the building of affordable housing for local families.

33) **Harvard Rindge Muslim Youth Program (PBHA)**: to support the “Enhancing the Muslim Toolkit” program for understanding identity and diversity of Muslims in America.

34) **Harvard Square Churches Meal Program**: to provide a stipend to homeless persons to work in the Meals Program.

35) **Harvard Square Homeless Shelter (PBHA)**: to provide undergarments to women experiencing homelessness.

36) **Harvard Square Summer Shelter (PBHA)**: to support the transportation of homeless individuals to and from work, job interviews, and health care appointments.

37) **Harvard-Radcliffe MIHNUET**: to help fund transportation, equipment, and printing costs for musical services.

38) **Hearth, Inc.**: to purchase furniture for the Ruggles Affordable Assisted Living Community.

39) **Keylatch Summer Program (PBHA)**: to cover program expenses.

40) **Leaders! Program (PBHA)**: to fund workshops on economic inequality, mass incarceration, immigration laws, and rising sexism.

41) **Material Aid and Advocacy Program, Inc.**: to purchase undergarments for homeless or housing insecure individuals.

42) **Mission Hill After School Program (PBHA)**: to cover expenses for the “MHASP Authors” project.
43) **Mission Hill Summer Program (PBHA):** to implement culturally inclusive arts and crafts projects and purchase relationship-building sports equipment and games.

44) **My Brother's Table:** to support a meals program at the new medical respite opening in Lynn for homeless or underhoused individuals who need recuperative care.

45) **Native American Youth Enrichment Program (PBHA):** to support the “Native Americans in Society” project.

46) **Neighborhood of Affordable Housing, Inc.:** to provide in-home safety and emergency repairs for seniors and disabled individuals in Boston.

47) **Outdoor Church of Cambridge:** to purchase shoes for homeless individuals in Cambridge.

48) **Pine Street Inn, Inc.:** to purchase a food processor for shelter kitchen.

49) **Project Manna:** to buy groceries for the soup kitchen and food pantry.

50) **Refugee Youth Summer Enrichment (PBHA):** to cover supply expenses for “The Dream”, a new initiative to help immigrant and refugee teens explore how to make their dreams a reality.

51) **RESPOND, Inc.:** to purchase a laundry dryer for the emergency shelter.

52) **Rosie's Place:** to purchase groceries for the dining room and pantry.

53) **Roxbury Youth Initiative (PBHA):** to fund the “Tune In & Fight the Power” project to help Roxbury youth in navigating American society and identity formation.

54) **Small Claims Advisory Service (PBHA):** to fund program expenses and document translation for clients.

55) **South Boston Outreach Summer (PBHA):** to implement the “Community Exploration Program” for Boston and Cambridge youth to engage in the history of Greater Boston.

56) **SpeakOUT Boston:** to train LGBTQ people to tell their personal stories to open up dialogue and educate communities.

57) **St. Francis House:** to purchase footwear for poor and homeless adult guests.

58) **THRIVE Communities of Massachusetts:** to purchase equipment for guest evaluation practices and employment searches.

59) **Victory Programs:** to purchase developmental and educational toys for the Daycare Center.
60) **Women's Lunch Place, Inc.:** to purchase fresh food and provide meals to women in need.

61) **Y2Y Harvard Square (PBHA):** to fund the “Promoting Good Nutrition” program for improvements in shelter food quality and implementation of workshops on lifelong nutrition skills for guests.

62) **Youth Collaborative:** to purchase supplies for teen entrepreneurship program.