

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.

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.