

2021 Foundation-Directed Grants

The grants listed here were made in 2021 by The Community Foundation through our unrestricted, field of interest and Presidential grantmaking. These do not include grants made by our collective giving initiatives (Women's Giving Alliance, Beaches Community Fund, LGBTQ Community Fund) or the grants made by donors through their advised funds. For more information, see www.jaxcf.org/receive.

Aging Adults		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
ElderSource	\$25,000	to expand the UNIPER - Bridging the Virtual Gap Program
Florida Training Solutions	\$10,000	Senior Roundtable facilitation
Mobility Worldwide	\$1,500	for the Mobility in Motion Project
Nassau County Council on Aging Inc.	\$25,000	to implement the Caring for the Caregiver Stress-Busting Program
ElderSource	\$150,000	to provide financial assistance for seniors in Duval, Nassau, Baker, Clay and St. Johns Counties.
River Garden Hebrew Home for the Aged, Inc.	\$10,000	to reopen the Adult Day Health Program expand the Staff Dementia Care education
Shepherd's Center of Orange Park, Inc.	\$1,000	to expand the Adventures in Learning Program
Arts		
Agency/Individual Artist (Art Ventures)	Grant Amount	Purpose
Arts Alive Nassau, Inc.	\$10,000	to fund a strategic planning process
Baker, Megan	\$3,500	to record, produce, edit, mix, and master debut album, "Transparency"
Benjamin, Raquel	\$3,500	to create custom apparel for the social commentary project "Great for Who?"
Clarke Stuart, Sarah	\$3,500	to complete a coming-of-age novel set in NE FL
Don't Miss a Beat	\$1,000	sponsor an artist competition for the DMAB Jazz Festival poster
Douglas J. Eng Photography	\$10,000	to fund an unrestricted award honoring the legacy of Ann McDonald Baker, co-founder of Art Ventures
Edwards, Danisha	\$3,500	to create sculptural installations for "Trial of Memories" solo exhibit
EpiCentre Alliance	\$2,000	to support a design charette for "The Shell" performing arts center
FemArt Gallery, Inc.	\$2,000	for the program launch of "Women of Color in the Arts Speak" educational program in Duval County schools
Flagler College	\$30,000	for general programming support to the Crisp-Ellert Museum
Foster, Lenny	\$3,500	to create a series of archival pigment photo images highlighting rich St. Augustine's African American history
Jones, Niam (Evans Jr., Willie)	\$3,500	to debut socially conscious multi-media project, "The Brown Wonder," in a projection mapping format



Lightner Museum	\$10,000	to fund two visual art exhibits featuring regional artists highlighting aspects of St. Augustine's history
Lincolntonville Museum and Cultural Center	\$4,000	to fund a visual art exhibit entitled, "Magic, Mirth, and Mortality Musings of Black Motherhood"
Long Road Projects Foundation	\$2,500	to support a professional development opportunity for four Jacksonville artists at Miami Arts Week
Lopez, Agnes	\$3,500	to professionally edit documentary, "#MORETHANLUMPIA: Jax Filipino Chefs"
Shepard, Ahyanna	\$3,500	to create a curriculum and teach participants principles of textile art in a series of community workshops
St. Augustine Art Association	\$30,000	for general programmatic support for visual art education and appreciation in St. Augustine
St. Augustine Historical Society	\$2,500	to present an exhibit by artist Laura Mongiovi at the Tovar House reflecting the area's historical connections to colonialism, indigenous people, civil rights and women's suffrage
St. Augustine Historical Society	\$6,000	for a visual art exhibit entitled, "Magic, Mirth, and Mortality Musings of Black Motherhood"
St. Augustine Music Festival	\$2,500	to sponsor the performance of the Ritz Chamber Players in celebration of Juneteenth as part of the St. Augustine Music Festival
St. Johns County Cultural Council	\$10,000	for an expanded Art in Public Places program in St. Augustine
tag! Children's Museum of St. Augustine	\$10,000	to support Board development in fundraising strategies
Veal, Jennifer	\$3,500	to complete a series of artworks supported by research entitled, "Zora Neale Hurston: A Genius of the South"
West Nassau Historical Society	\$500	for a juried student art show for Nassau County youth
Whipple, Jeff	\$3,500	to create a comprehensive database of artwork and produce a retrospective, autobiographical art catalogue
Williams, Nikesha	\$3,500	to support writing, publishing, and producing content which highlights her work as a storyteller, and that of others, in Northeast Florida
Wilson, Jaimie	\$3,500	to complete a first novel, "The Saltbringer"
Withun, Vanessa	\$3,500	to expand her capacity to paint at a larger scale
Woodard, Rania	\$3,500	to facilitate a retreat where the artist's ensemble will compose and record a full length album

Children/Youth

Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Arlington Lions Foundation	\$75,000	to fund equipment replacement and repairs at Arlington Little League facility
Best Buddies in Northeast Florida	\$10,000	to support the expansion of the Best Buddies Friendship program to 7 new Northeast Florida sites for the 2021-22 school year
Blessing Others All The Time, Inc.	\$2,000	for the expansion of the Back To School Backpack program providing food, schools supplies, and other basic items for underserved children



Girl Scouts of Gateway Council	\$11,575	for the expansion of Kindergarten Readiness program in Putnam County
Lift Putnam, Inc.	\$15,000	to help provide early education scholarships to 3- and 4-year-olds in Putnam County Schools for the 2021-2022 school year
Mentoring Families and Kids, Inc	\$10,000	to support Algebra 1 and Geometry tutoring and workshops serving predominantly Black youth in Duval County
Moore-Myers Childrens Fund	\$2,000	to provide underserved youth of color access to PGA level golf clinics and coaching
North Point Youth Inc.	\$2,000	to support the afterschool program for underserved children in Putman County
The Arc of Putnam County, Inc.	\$15,000	to implement a pediatric therapy program
Young Life Putnam County	\$3,600	to serve the food security needs of students
Youth Crisis Center, Inc	\$25,000	for the expansion of the Touchstone Village Transitional Living Program to serve youth coming out of the House of Hope program

Education

Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Florida State College at Jacksonville Foundation	\$25,000	To increase digital equity for FSCJ students by improving digital literacy and technology skills for low income and underrepresented students
Jacksonville Public Education Fund	\$30,000	to support JPEF's work to close the opportunity gap for low-income and students of color through research, convening partners and leading strategic initiatives that advance school quality in Duval County
Jacksonville Public Education Fund	\$30,000	To convene community partners to implement a Grade-Level Reading Campaign addressing the literacy gap experienced by students living in poverty and students of color in Duval County's public schools
Putnam County School Board	\$100,000	to launch the Academy of Building Technologies at Interlachen High School
St. John River State College	\$6,000	to support the 2nd year scholarship for targeted students in Putnam County

Environment

Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Friends of A1A Scenic and Historic Coastal Byway, Inc.	\$2,000	for the marketing campaign for the "Pack it In, Pack It Out," a litter prevention program
Matanzas Riverkeeper	\$10,000	to hire a part time coordinator and fund a nonprofit management training

Health

Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Muslim American Social Services	\$25,000	to promote diabetes self-management through participation in the "Food as Medicine Program"



NE Florida Sober Living Alliance	\$5,000	to provide the Tier 1 services of the Jump Start Program and longer-term rent assistance and case management of Tier 2 services in support of alcoholic men
Putnam First Cancer Fund	\$15,000	to assist individuals with cancer who need assistance with diagnostic services and financial difficulty
The Way Free Medical Clinic, Inc.	\$25,000	for the implementation of the ClayPASS coordinated medical care initiative
UF Health Jacksonville (Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc.)	\$18,300	for the on-site Food Pharmacy and nutritional education programs addressing hunger and health disparities
Vision Is Priceless Council, Inc	\$5,000	to expand the Sight in School Program to provide 50 students who live in low-income communities in Duval, Clay, Baker, St Johns, and Nassau counties with a comprehensive eye exam and glasses if needed
Volunteers in Medicine Jacksonville Inc.	\$25,000	for expansion of the chronic disease management program at the newly opened satellite clinic on the westside of Jacksonville

Homelessness		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Changing Homelessness	\$15,000	to provide flexible funding to be used as part of a diversion program aimed to prevent homelessness
Hunger		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Barnabas Center, Inc.	\$25,000	for expanded food distribution for underserved people in Nassau County
Beaches Emergency Assistance Ministry (BEAM)	\$25,000	for expanded food distribution for underserved people at the Beaches
Daily Manna Serving Center Inc.	\$2,000	to purchase food items for distribution in Duval County
Epic Cure, Inc.	\$12,000	to support the expansion of the Putnam County warehouse by purchasing two walk-in freezer units
HUGS St. John's	\$5,000	to support the No Hungry Holidays program providing food for St. Johns County school students during school closures
Lutheran Social Services of Northeast Florida, Inc.	\$25,000	to help purchase a new "Hunger Relief Vehicle"
Overflow Health Alliance	\$10,000	to purchase food to be distributed through the Making Ends Meat food pantry
Pie in the Sky	\$18,000	to expand the fresh produce distribution to senior citizens by expanding the cold storage
Putnam County Bread of Life, Inc.	\$13,700	to expand the capacity of facility through the purchase of a generator and outdoor equipment
SEA Community Help Resource Center	\$8,000	to support hunger relief efforts through purchases of fresh food and supplies



LGBTQ		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Museum of Contemporary Art Jacksonville	\$2,500	to sponsor the Many Sides of Pride LGBTQ Film Festival to be held in June
Nonprofit Capacity Building		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
CF Leads	\$2,500	to support the philanthropic field along with other foundations
City Year	\$2,500	to support Executive Director coaching
Girls Inc	\$3,500	to support strategic planning
College Red	\$2,000	to support Executive Coaching and Business Strategy Development Services
Jacksonville Arboretum & Gardens, Inc.	\$3,800	to support Board and professional development coaching
Kappa Alpha Psi Foundation	\$5,000	to support the development of marketing materials to promote the Foundation's core initiatives
My Village Project Community Fund	\$10,000	to provide Nonprofit Center of Northeast Florida memberships and support for the grantees of the My Village Project
Nonprofit Center of Northeast Florida	\$25,000	to launch an organizational assessment dashboard to build nonprofit capacity for BIPOC and grassroots organizations
Nonprofit Center of Northeast Florida	\$50,000	to support general operations in 2022 and 2023
Operation New Hope, Inc.	\$1,000	to support the Mulligans for Hope Golf Tournament
Searching for Identity	\$5,000	to support marketing and fundraising capacity building
Tree Hill Nature Center	\$9,000	to support installation of a new HVAC system
WJCT, Inc.	\$10,000	to create a viable and sustainable digital local journalism service
Philanthropy		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Florida Philanthropic Network	\$6,900	to support participation in local, regional or national professional organizations
Grantmakers for Effective Organization	\$1,030	to support participation in local, regional or national professional organizations
Mission Investors Exchange	\$3,000	to support participation in local, regional or national professional organizations
Rockefella Philanthropy Advisors	\$125	to support the Black Girl Freedom Fund, an initiative of Grantmakers for Girls of Color, in honor of Tamara Winfrey-Harris
Southeastern Council of Foundations	\$9,070	to support participation in local, regional or national professional organizations
Weaver Philanthropic Initiative	\$10,000	to support WPI Alumni Program activities
Women's Giving Alliance	\$5,000	to support WGA 20 th anniversary activities



Poverty		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Putnam Habitat for Humanity, Inc.	\$5,000	to address affordable housing by assisting homeowners with needed home repairs
Hart Felt Ministries	\$20,000	to support the expansion of the Utility and HVAC Assistance program
Presbyterian Social Ministries, Inc.	\$20,000	to support the addition of a new cargo van to expand the capacity of the Clothing with Purpose program.
Diaper Bank for Northeast Florida	\$5,000	to provide diapers to families in need in Jacksonville
Racial Equity		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
A.L. Lewis Black Opportunity and Impact Fund	\$50,000	to support the work of the A.L. Lewis Black Opportunity and Impact Fund exploration
Compassionate St. Augustine	\$1,000	to support the launch of the "Both Sides Now" relationship reconciliation project in St Augustine
Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens	\$3,000	to sponsor the 2022 Martin Luther King Celebration on January 17, 2022
Florida State College at Jacksonville Foundation	\$5,000	for the Making a Difference Fund to support the writing and publication of the Nat Glover Story
Florida State Parks Foundation	\$10,000	to support the design and implementation of the Fort Mose Flight to Freedom interpretive trail project
Jacksonville Cultural Development Corporation	\$10,000	to support community engagement activities for an artist-in-residence program focused on racial equity.
Jacksonville Symphony Association	\$5,000	to support a DEI consultant
Jacksonville Urban League	\$1,500	to support an Equality Partnership Sponsorship for the Inaugural Racial Healing and Reconciliation Conference
Mandarin Museum & Historical Society	\$2,000	to support a new exhibit entitled "The Untold History of Black Mandarin"
Rhoda L. Martin Cultural Heritage Center	\$5,000	to help support the Center's roof replacement
Refugees		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Beyond90	\$8,000	to assist refugees travel to required mental health appointments.
Catholic Charities Inc	\$500,000	To support Afghan Refugee Resettlement in Jacksonville including housing, transportation, and wraparound supports (legal services, mental health support, etc.)
JaxTHRIVE	\$1,000	To support JaxTHRIVE's mentoring program serving refugee students.
Lutheran Social Services	\$500,000	To support Afghan Refugee Resettlement in Jacksonville including housing, transportation, and wraparound supports (legal services, mental health support, etc.)



Supporting Neighborhoods		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
1Step Up Jax	\$2,000	to fund programs supporting women formerly involved with the criminal justice system and their families
Black Business Investment Fund	\$120,000	for the launch of the Black Business Investment Fund's Contractor Assistance Program in NE FL
Bridge The Gap, Inc	\$2,000	to support a neighborhood community garden
Civic Orchestra of Jacksonville, Inc.	\$2,000	to support programs in underserved neighborhoods
EMPOWERMENT ACADEMY	\$2,000	for tutoring for state-based and college entrance testing for underserved high school students
Generation USA	\$25,000	to support the CLIMB program in the Arlington area
Heart for Children Inc.	\$2,000	to provide school supplies to underserved children
Historic Eastside CDC	\$5,000	for the Historic Eastside CDC's Melanin Market, designed to support the Eastside Community, local artists, and other local black-owned businesses
Historic Eastside CDC	\$25,000	to fund a portion of the Program Manager position for Historic Eastside CDC's Home Repair program

Historic Eastside CDC	\$30,000	to support an education and enrollment campaign aiming to reduce financial hardship and increase the filing rate for the Child Tax Credit and the Earned Income Tax Credit in Duval County.
Impact Of U	\$2,000	to expand the middle school-based food pantry program
Masters of Education, Inc	\$2,000	to implement a reading enrichment program for underserved youth
Mission of the Dirt Road	\$2,000	to support the expansion of a community development program at High Ridge Estates in Clay County
North Riverside Community Development Corporation	\$10,000	to support an outreach campaign connecting North Riverside residents to free civil legal support and financial counseling services intended to preserve homeownership in the neighborhood
Northside Coalition of Jacksonville	\$5,000	to expand the organization's capacity for community engagement via social and digital media platforms
Northwest Jacksonville CDC	\$30,000	to support an education and enrollment campaign aiming to reduce financial hardship and increase the filing rate for the Child Tax Credit and the Earned Income Tax Credit in Duval County
The 1000 Dollar Start-Ups Consortium	\$2,000	to provide entrepreneurship training in Nassau County to traditionally marginalized communities
The Center One Foundation	\$2,000	to support the Inspiring Minds program
The Community Local Capital Fund	\$50,000	to support technical and capacity building of the PRI fund
The Empowered Kitchen	\$5,000	to support Launch Kits for women completing the Empowered Kitchen program



Us and Our Children (Kash Kids Program)	\$2,000	to support the Kash for Kids financial literacy program for grades 3 through 8
Veterans		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Cecil Field POW/MIA Memorial	\$2,500	sponsorship of the Commemoration of the 30th Anniversary of Desert Storm/Shield as a Gold Sponsor
Northeast Florida Women Veterans Inc	\$10,000	for maintenance and utility expenses of Her Space home for female veterans
Women & Girls		
Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Astrobot S.T.E.M Nonprofit	\$500	sponsorship of a STEM educational event "Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day" to benefit Putnam County students
Betty Griffin Center	\$5,000	to install a new elevator system for the Center's shelter facility
Lee Conlee House	\$3,000	to install a new plumbing system
Micah's Place	\$10,000	for the redesign of the website to incorporate a secure portal for training of staff and volunteers and to provide an information collective for survivors of domestic violence