

CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT PROGRAM



SPRING 2022 GRANTEE PARTNERS

The Foundation for Community Health awarded over \$100,000 to nine non-profit organizations, through the Spring 2022 cycle of its Capacity Building Grant Program. Decisions were made based on each organization's organizational health goals, strength of ties to FCH's community, as well as the alignment of each organization's mission and activities with the foundation's funding interests.

The purpose of FCH's Capacity Building Grant Program is to increase the stability, effectiveness, and resilience of nonprofits, ultimately supporting their ability to meet mission and community need. Established in 2021, FCH's Capacity Building Grant Program has awarded \$204,070 to fifteen organizations to date.

CHORE SERVICE, INC.

LAKEVILLE, CT

\$15,000

For 30 years, Chore Service has provided in-home, non-medical care to seniors and the disabled so that they can remain in their home, safely and independently. Grant funds will enable Chore Service to enter a strategic planning process, which will allow board and staff to explore and develop new adaptive strategies for the organization.

COLUMBIA COUNTY SANCTUARY MOVEMENT

HUDSON, NY

\$8,000

Columbia County Sanctuary Movement (CCSM) organizes with immigrants and allies to collectively support, empower, and defend communities. General operating support will aid the organization in a variety of aims, including childcare and translation support for their 25-member Coordinating Committee and strengthening the organization's capacity to produce multimedia resources.

CONNECTICUT ORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE, INC.

HARTFORD, CT

\$15,000

Connecticut Oral Health Initiative (COHI) works to strengthen and safeguard access to quality, affordable, dental health services for all Connecticut residents. Funds will enable COHI to focus on the organization's financial resilience by hiring a major gifts fundraising campaign consultant, who will guide the organization through an assessment of COHI's current fundraising operations and support the creation and implementation of a development plan.

FALLS VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

FALLS VILLAGE, CT

\$5,000

The mission of Falls Village Community Development Corporation (FV CDC) is to improve the economic conditions and quality of life in Falls Village. General operating support will enable FV CDC's creation of internal systems to manage and implement the organization's development plan.

GREENWOODS COUNSELING & REFERRALS, INC.

LITCHFIELD, CT

\$10,000

The mission of Greenwood's Counseling Referrals is to ensure swift, affordable access to mental healthcare, regardless of ability to pay, for individuals and families living and working in Litchfield County. General operating support will be put towards Greenwood's community outreach and recovery navigation team, enabling the organization to expand these services and increase clinician staff time that is dedicated towards the organization's outreach and recovery navigation efforts.

KENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING

KENT, CT

\$6,100

The mission of Kent Affordable Housing is to increase the number of diverse housing opportunities in Kent, CT, through the development, creation, management, and ownership of affordable housing units. Funds will allow the Board of Kent Affordable Housing to engage a consultant to identify and address governance needs and support the organization's succession planning.

PRIME TIME HOUSE

TORRINGTON, CT

\$15,000

Prime Time House provides a place for people with severe and persistent mental health illness to rebuild their lives. Through their participation in the Northwest Connecticut Regional Funder Collaborative's Adaptive Leadership Cohort, Prime Time House has identified the need to update their strategic plan, the revised plan will enable the organization to better meet the emerging mental health needs of the community, while better leveraging the agency's strengths.

SUSAN B. ANTHONY PROJECT, INC.

TORRINGTON, CT

\$15,000

Susan B. Anthony Project promotes safety, healing, and growth for all survivors of domestic and sexual abuse and advocates for the autonomy of women and the end of interpersonal violence. Funds will support the agency's restructuring efforts, which came as a result of a year-long strategic planning process the organization completed this year. This will include the creation of new positions and redefining roles to better support management, supervision, and service delivery.

WOMEN'S SUPPORT SERVICES, INC.

SHARON, CT

\$15,000

Women's Support Services' (WSS) mission is to create social change to end interpersonal, relationship violence by challenging attitudes and beliefs about power, control, and gender norms and by advocating for victims and survivors. Funds will be allocated towards the organization's engagement with a communications firm to develop a new branding and communications strategy for the organization, including visual identity, messaging platforms, and a roll out strategy for the launch of the organization's new name. This will enable WSS to meet a significant objective of the organization's recent strategic plan.