

# CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT PROGRAM



## SPRING 2023 GRANTEE PARTNERS

The Foundation for Community Health awarded \$80,000 to six non-profit organizations, through the Spring 2023 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 \$341,570 to twenty organizations to date.

### CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CENTERS

HARTFORD, CT

\$10,000

Connecticut Association of School Based Health Centers emerged after several local groups in New Haven created CT's first school-based health center in 1982. Since then, the organization's mission has been to serve as leaders in the broader healthcare system for CT's children and adolescents through advocacy, education, and networking. General operating support will enable the organization to update its strategic plan and explore new revenue streams, including the opportunity to create a rental property.

### GREENWOODS COUNSELING & REFERRALS

LITCHFIELD, CT

\$15,000

Founded in 1992, Greenwood's and Counseling Referrals' mission is to ensure swift, affordable access to quality mental healthcare, regardless of ability to pay, for individuals and families living and working in Litchfield County. General operating support will be used to stabilize Greenwood's prescription and medication management program through the hire of a full-time psychiatric APRN, increasing the volume of patients receiving treatment, and improving overall operations through the addition of a full-time employee.

### BROOKER MEMORIAL

TORRINGTON, CT

\$15,000

Established in 1918, Brooker Memorial is dedicated to Maria Seymour Brooker "in memory of her works of benevolence, aid, charity, and education." Today, Brooker works to prepare and support children for success through various programs, educational services, health offerings, and family support. General operating support will enable the organization to expand services offered to Spanish speaking families.

**SKY HIGH FARM**

PINE PLAINS, NY

**\$15,000**

Sky High Farms works to alleviate food insecurity by providing access to high-quality, culturally appropriate food, through sustainable farming methods and partnership development with local farmers and similarly oriented organizations. Grant funds will strengthen Sky High Farm's ability to develop, facilitate, and implement community programming.

**ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

AMENIA, NY

**\$15,000**

St. Thomas Episcopal Church facilitates and manages Comida de Vida/Food of Life Pantry. The pantry has been operating for 11 years with a mission to provide fresh, nutritious food weekly for neighbors in need, including vegetables grown in the on-site in their "Giving Garden." Grant funds will bolster the organization's ability to provide food access by supporting personnel costs for several integral positions and to purchase materials, reducing the challenge of rising food prices.

**SUSAN B. ANTHONY PROJECT**

TORRINGTON, CT

**\$10,000**

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. Grant funding will support changes to organizational technology and systems management. Changes will support the organization's compliance work, but also improve ongoing work to measure performance and learn.