

# 2025 Community Grantees List

## **Abundance Food Pantry (AFP)**

AFP offers access to healthy food, promoting good eating habits within underserved communities. It gives fresh produce to an average of 280 households in our neighborhood each Tuesday, without condition. Volunteers are welcome to join us.

## **Cleveland Mediation Center (CMC)**

CMC provides community mediation in Northeast Ohio since 1981. It promotes justice and peaceful community by honoring all people, building their capacity to act, and facilitating opportunities for them to engage in conflict constructively.

## **Eastside Citizens' Empowerment Foundation**

ECEF empowers residents to improve the quality of life in the eastside of Cleveland through direct and active participation in the community. Firstly, it sponsors monthly update/planning meetings held at FHC. Secondly, it organizes volunteers to take action and participate in programs that benefit eastside communities.

## **Euclid HOPE Task Force**

EHTF provides a public health response to gun violence through building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism, and eradicating systemic poverty. It brings together diverse community members, including faith leaders, residents, city officials, and nonprofit partners, in a spirit of collaboration and shared purpose

## **Extended Family**

The Extended Family is a civic community based non-profit organization created to provide programs in collaboration with others who share our mission of educating, empowering, engaging and entertaining youth and families with the mission of increasing self-esteem, decreasing violence, improving decision making and academic performance of our youth. EF organizes events for teaching peace and respect for oneself and others with the goal of building community.

## **Greater Cleveland Congregations (GCC) Courtwatch Team**

GCC (Greater Cleveland Congregations), a grassroots community-based organization, has been working on various aspects of justice: voter engagement, health equity, gun safety, economic democracy, and criminal justice. The CourtWatch Team, a branch of Criminal Justice Work, focuses on dismantling structural racism and eradicating systemic poverty. It has attended 140+ hearings in juvenile court, written a report on their findings, and is currently doing educational sessions about Youth Bindover. Cuyahoga County has the largest number of children bound over to adult court than the four major urban counties in Ohio combined. Find out more about this injustice.

## **Homeless Stand Down by Business Volunteers Unlimited (BVU)**

HSD, created over 30 years ago, provides homeless people, often veterans, with necessary resources, respite from the elements, and reconnection to the community. Cleveland's "Stand Down", a military term for a secure base camp where battle-weary soldiers were provided with care and comfort, has since evolved into an annual day of service for neighbors in need.

## **Honesty for Ohio Education**

Honesty for Ohio Education is a statewide advocacy organization working across Ohio, including Greater Cleveland, to protect students' rights and advance honest, inclusive, and affirming public education. Through policy advocacy, community organizing, and coalition work, we push back against harmful legislation while promoting equitable school funding and opportunity for all students—grounded in a commitment to justice and dignity for every child. We educate the public on ways to use its voice to inspire change and influence decision-makers to enact policies that support the unique needs of students in their communities. We are a multi-year grantee.

## **Home Repair Resource Center (HRRC)**

For more than 50 years, HRRC has helped residents navigate the realities of homeownership with confidence. Unlike programs that only fund repairs, HRRC centers its work on education, trusted guidance, and informed decision-making—empowering homeowners to understand their homes, manage costs, and make sound repair investments. Through a combination of hands-on training, financial assistance counseling, and personalized support, HRRC serves homeowners across the housing lifecycle—from first-time buyers to long-time residents working to age in place. Grounded in trust and deep community relationships, HRRC has earned a reputation as a responsive, practical, and mission-driven resource for homeowners across the region.

## **International Ministries, AMOS Health and Hope - Nicaragua**

AMOS Health and Hope is a community health nonprofit operating throughout as many as 475 communities in Nicaragua. AMOS seeks to address health inequities in Nicaragua through improving access and resources for basic health care and by training local community health volunteers to help their communities prevent and identify health issues. AMOS trains and empowers health promoters in rural areas to identify and treat common illnesses.

## **Man to Man Project, Black on Black Crime**

This grass-roots organization focuses on crime, violence, and systemic issues within Black communities. It offers support and guidance to families who have suffered from violence and who are having problems with the legal system. It offers community information about local organizations, elections, and the legal system. It works to gain support from politicians, educate through workshops and courses on healthy relationships, and support other organizations through drives.

## **North Presbyterian Church**

North Presbyterian Church (4515 Superior Avenue), a small vibrant congregation in the urban core of Cleveland, serves the St. Clair neighborhood. Church attendees come from the surrounding neighborhood, the Men's Shelter of Lakeside Ave. (Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries), and Norma Herr Women's Shelter (YWCA). These low-barrier shelters serve the most vulnerable and marginalized in the community. NPC addresses issues of poverty, mental illness, violence, and addiction, and provides meals twice monthly and every Sunday for its congregation. Forest Hill Church has partnered with North to provide direct volunteer support, as well as financial support via annual community grants.

## **Racial Equity Buddies of Greater Cleveland (REB)**

REB, a grassroots anti-racist organization, provides year-long programming. Its events include cultural programming, community forums, buddy pairs, movies, and book discussions. Also, it participates in rallies, protests, and lobbying efforts. It collaborates with other antiracist organizations. REB was a catalyst for the economic racial repair program initiated by Forest Hill Church.

## **Showing Up for Racial Justice, Northeast Ohio (SURJ NEO)**

SURJ NEO works to build a base of people to organize majority-white communities around our shared interest in achieving racial and economic justice for all, building communities where all are fed, respected and loved. We work to influence and reframe the public narrative around race and class and participate in strategic campaigns to win concrete policy changes. We work alongside community members and groups who are most impacted by systemic inequities.

## **United Protestant Campus Ministries (UPCaM)**

United Protestant Campus Ministries (UPCaM) is an ecumenical campus ministry that fosters inclusive, student-centered spiritual community through shared meals, worship, pastoral care, and leadership development. We serve college students from over 15 countries and across racial identities, and focus on faith, identity, and belonging in an increasingly complex world. UPCaM offers a space where students talk openly about racial identity and the lived racial experience. We are a proud member of UKirk, the Presbyterian campus ministry collaborative, and are grateful for partnerships with congregations such as Forest Hill Church. UPCaM is a first-time grantee and is grateful for the opportunity to expand our impact through this support.