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## Main Street Community Foundation announces grant awards to local nonprofits

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## Local organizations

#### Bristol!



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POSTED BY: STAFF JULY 19, 2023

Forty-four local organizations have received a total of \$144,200 from the Main Street Community Foundation in its general grant cycle, the organization announced in a press release yesterday.

Grant applications for this cycle are submitted once a year, and they are reviewed by 24 local residents on the Community Foundation's volunteer Distribution Committee. The committee members review all proposals. In addition, they conduct site visits, and make the final funding recommendations to the Foundation's Board of Directors, according to the release.

The following grants were awarded in the 2023 General Grant Cycle as described below:

 American Red Cross – \$4,100 – Disaster Relief Services for residents in the Foundation's service area (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, KAWFY Memorial Fund) American Legion JULY 19, 2023

Bristol
American
Legion
baseball is
heading for
the
postseason as
first round
play
commences
in South
Windsor
tonight

■ Army's Legacy Animal Rescue and Sanctuary - \$1 000 -

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of CT \$3,500 Community-Based Mentoringprogram for at-risk children in the Foundation's service area (Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund)
- Bristol Little League \$5,500 Phase two of field improvements at Peck Park to install a new scoreboard (Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund)
- Bristol Eastern High School \$2,000 Collaborative Masterworks Concert with Bristol Eastern chorale and Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, Margaret Haberman Memorial Fund for Music)
- Bristol Family Resource Centers \$4,500 W.O.R.K.S. (Working Parents: Options, Resources & Key Supports) program to help working parents build collaborative relationships with their children's school (Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education)
- Bristol Health \$3,500 Marketing materials to educate the public and revitalize the City of Bristol Recovery Alliance (COBRA) program (Pat & Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for the Community)
- Bristol Health Ingraham Manor \$3,500 Installation of six raised garden beds that are wheelchair accessible for elderly residents to enjoy gardening (Dumont Family Charitable Fund, Bristol Brass General Grant Fund)

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- Bristol Youth Lacrosse, Inc. \$2,500 Uniforms and equipment for youth who otherwise would not be able to play due to financial barriers (Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund, Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, JoAnn & David Mills Family Fund)
- Bristol Senior Center- Department of Aging \$4,000 –
   Provision of personal care items monthly for members who are receiving SNAP benefits (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, Becker Family Fund)
- Burlington Volunteer Fire Department \$2,000 –
   Purchase of a specialized "Mercury Quick Attack LE" nozzle for large fires (James R. Parker Trust)
- Chrysalis Center, Inc. \$3,000 Case management services for the Community Supportive Housing (CSH) program to benefit residents of Bristol, Plainville, Plymouth, and Southington (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund)
- Connecticut Humane Society \$2,000 Veterinary care for at-risk pets in the Foundation's service area (Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund)
- Connecticut Foodshare \$3,720 Mobile Food Pantry supplying meat/dairy/produce to underserved neighborhoods in Bristol, Burlington, and Southington (Ciccarelli-Vitale Community Advancement Fund

furniture and diapers for youth primarily in DCF care in Bristol and surrounding towns (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund)

- Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut, Inc. –
   \$2,000 New Raptor Aviary at Indian Rock Nature
   Preserve (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, Pat & Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for the Community)
- Friends of the Terryville Public Library \$2,220 –
   Purchase of a rainbow seating area and chairs for the children's reading center (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, Pyrzenski/Audette Family Fund)
- Friends of the Wolcott Dog Pound, Inc. \$4,000 Outreach and veterinary care for pets from low and moderate-income homes (Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund)
- Gloria Dei Lutheran Church \$3,600 Food & Diaper Distribution program serving primarily Bristol residents (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund)
- Grace Baptist Church \$3,800 Purchase fresh food items including meat and produce for *Grace Pantry* program (Jim & Eleanor Frawley Community Fund, Ronald F. & Emilie P. Duhaime Family Fund, Tedesco-Gallant Charitable Fund)
- Human Resources Agency (HRA) of New Britain, Inc. –
   \$3,000 Expansion of the Volunteer Income Tax
   Assistance (VITA) program to assist low-income

- Kelly's Kids, Inc. \$5,000 Therapeutic After-School Care and Summer Camp program for children in the Foundation's service area (Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund)
- Kelly's Kids, Inc. (Wolcott Youth Services Bureau) –
   \$2,000 Expansion of youth programming at the new Wolcott Youth Services Bureau (Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund, Nana Jane's Fund)
- Literacy Volunteers of Central Connecticut \$5,000 Greater Bristol Literacy Project for low and moderateincome residents in Bristol, Burlington and Plainville (Bristol Savings Bank Fund, Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education)
- Lewis S. Mills CREW Booster Club, Inc. \$1,530 Boat Cover to protect the newly refurbished boat "Typhoon" (James R. Parker Trust)
- Memorial Military Museum, Inc. \$2,500 Restoration of two Bristol veteran's WWII leather flight jackets (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, Karen and Kim Murphy Family Charitable Fund)
- New Britain Museum of American Art \$2,470 Access to the Arts program for elementary aged students in the Wolcott Public Schools (Sid Bernard and Ed Miller Children's Fund for the Visual Arts)
- New England Carousel Museum \$4,700 Thursday
   Night Educational Program Series promoting diversity

- Palace Theater Group \$2,000 Performance of *To Kill a Mockingbird* at the Palace theater for high school students from Bristol, Southington, Wolcott, Burlington and Plymouth (Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education, Southington Arts Council Legacy Fund)
- Plymouth Community Food Pantry \$5,450 Purchase low-salt and low-fat foods, dairy, and fresh produce for *Healthy Options Program Plus* (Edward W. and Audrey K. Mink Memorial Fund, Paige Wartonick LaFerriere Memorial Fund, Betts Family Fund)
- Productions for Change \$4,000 Helping the Homeless promotional video and social media project for the Agape House in Bristol (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, Jaspersohn Family Memorial Fund)
- Rebuilding Together Litchfield County, Inc. \$6,000 Roof repairs for elderly homeowners in Plymouth (Gnazzo/Reidy Charitable Fund, Bristol Brass General Grant Fund)
- Shepard Meadows Equestrian Center, Inc. \$3,000 Creation of a video and handbook for a Volunteer Training program (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, Bristol Savings Bank Fund)
- Southington Northern Little League \$3,000 –
   Construction of a dedicated field for Southington's T-Ball players ages 4-6 (KAWFY Memorial Fund)
- Southington Public Library \$1 460 RFLONG

- Tabernacle Christian Church \$4,000 *Giving Back Food Pantry* program to purchase groceries and fresh food for food-insecure residents of Southington and surrounding areas (KAWFY Memorial Fund)
- The Children's Law Center, Inc. \$3,000 Legal representation of children in family court from the Foundation's service area (Bristol Savings Bank Fund)
- The Diaper Bank of Connecticut \$2,000 Diapers for low-income families through an existing Diaper Distribution Network in the Foundation's service area (Bristol Savings Bank Fund)
- Thy Eagle's Nest \$2,500 Vehicle for collection and distribution of furniture benefitting low-income residents living in the Foundation's service area (Bristol Savings Bank Fund)
- United Way of Southington, Inc. \$3,350 Technology upgrade project (KAWFY Memorial Fund)
- Wheeler Clinic \$5,000 Operating support for a Peer Specialist in the Walk With Me program to support the behavioral health of LGBTQ+ adolescents (Bristol Savings Bank Fund, Calvanese Foundation Green & White Fund for Behavioral Health)
- Wolcott Citizens Against Substance Abuse (CASA) –
   \$1,220 CASA Family Togetherness Night program to promote communication and connections (Bristol Brass General Grant Fund)

Since its establishment in 1995, MSCF has awarded grants and scholarships totaling more than \$27 million and is one of the leading grantmakers in the region.

To learn more about the Foundation or the grant cycles, visit www.mainstreetfoundation.org/.

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