



# FY 2025 Community Grants Applications

Annapolis Community  
Grant Review Committee  
FY2025



# Grant Review Team

Special thanks to our team of reviewers...

- ▶ **Adetola Ajayi**, Mayor's Office
- ▶ **Jeanne Coughlin**, Fire Department
- ▶ **Patti Norris**, Police Department
- ▶ **Theresa Wellman**, Planning and Zoning
- ▶ **Iesha Young**, Office of Community Services
- ▶ **Monique Stanley**, Finance Department



- ▶ Also a big thank you to **OCS team, and Rossio** for the administrative support to the program during the review process and throughout the year.



# Community Grant Program

**6.16.060 - Priorities for making operating and/or capital grants to non-profit organizations under the City of Annapolis Community Grant Program.**

- ▶ An “operating grant” shall provide support for the day-to-day costs of running the non-profit organization.
- ▶ A "capital grant" shall provide support for the purchase of property, the construction, remodeling, or expansion of a facility, or purchase of equipment by a non-profit organization.

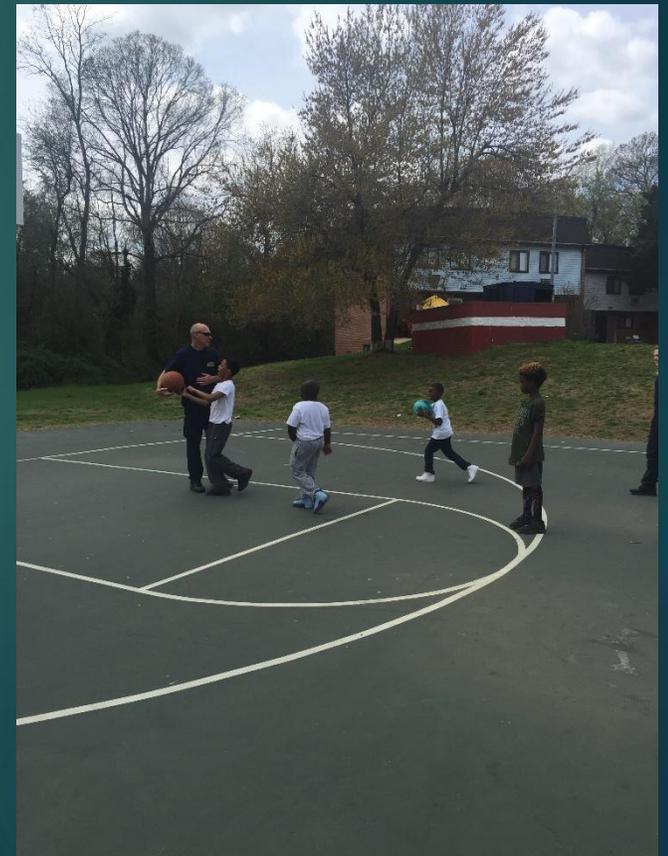


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## The Process

### The Committee:

- ▶ Convened to review and evaluate applications.
- ▶ Submitted recommendations to the Department of Finance to include in budget discussions based on the evaluation.
- ▶ Each member was assigned seven or eight proposals to be the lead for.
- ▶ OCS facilitated conversations and drew up report



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- ▶ Subject to the availability of funds
  - ▶ The City will consider funding operating and/or capital grants
  - ▶ Proposals must meet one of the following priorities:
    - i. Provides services that sustain and empower youth, families and individuals to move towards an improved quality of life and self-sufficiency;
    - ii. Provides programs that preserve and enhance a community's character;
    - iii. Provides programs that contribute to a vibrant economy; or
    - iv. Promotes programs that are integral to community revitalization, economic development and environmental sustainability.



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## Fiscal Year 2025 Applications Overview:

- ▶ 54 applications;
- ▶ 15 new applications that did not submit in FY24;
- ▶ Total requests \$**1,237,313**;
- ▶ Previous request in FY24 was \$**1,087,483**;
- ▶ Funding pool the panel was asked to work with: \$370,750.



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## Fiscal Year 2025 Committee Recommendation Guidelines:

### Minimum Award:

The minimum recommended award for a grant is \$2,000, with the exception of federal and/or non-resident serving projects.

### Grant History:

Historical funding amounts were considered when crafting recommended award amounts. New grants were recommended awards of \$4,000-\$5,000, with the exception of Annapolis Pride (the only organization serving the LGBTQ+ community) and Partners in Care (the only organization focused on seniors).

### Program Focused:

Organizations that focused on programs received precedent over those that needed funding for staff or equipment.



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Fiscal Year 2025 Applications

- ▶ Multitude of Services
  - ▶ 3 Nutritional Programs for Children and Youth
  - ▶ 17 Programs Serving for Children, Youth and Families
  - ▶ 2 Educational Programs for Adults
  - ▶ 9 Homelessness/Addiction Prevention Programs
  - ▶ 10 Programs that enhance Arts and Culture
  - ▶ 11 Programs that contribute to a vibrant Economy
  - ▶ 4 Programs that contributes to a clean Environment

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## Review of panel recommendations

- ▶ Panel recommendations were submitted for consideration and review during the budget development process
- ▶ Review during the budget development process revealed that several applications that were expected weren't in the recommendations from the panel. Applications have been received or are expected soon from
  - ▶ Anne Arundel Community Action Agency,
  - ▶ Bates Legacy
- ▶ These are included in the recommended budget

**In addition, one application that was submitted within the original application window was missed during the transitions at OCS and is not included in the submitted recommended budget**

- Heritage Baptist Church Food Pantry



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## Summary

- ▶ 54 proposals totaling \$ 1,237,313
- ▶ 54 awards totaling \$423,750

