

FY 2024 Community Grants Applications

Annapolis Community
Grant Review Committee
FY2024



Grant Review Team

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Special thanks to our team of reviewers...

- ▶ **Adetola Ajayi**, Mayor's Office
- ▶ **Jeanne Coughlin**, Fire Department
- ▶ **Julie Donnelly**, Finance Department
- ▶ **Patti Norris**, Police Department
- ▶ **Theresa Wellman**, Planning and Zoning
- ▶ **Erin Lee**, Office of Community Services
- ▶ **Laura Gutierrez**, Office of Community Services

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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.



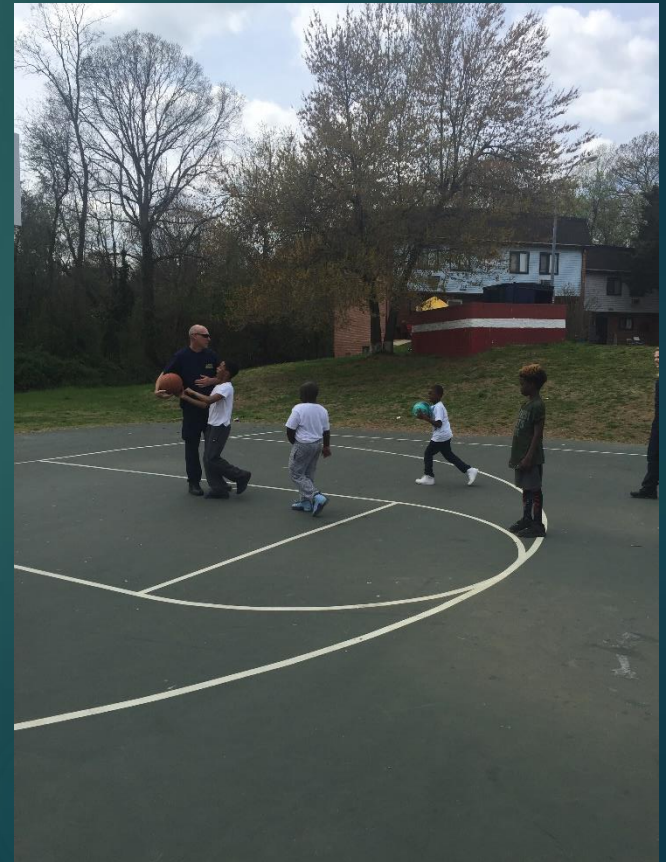
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The Process

The Committee:

- ▶ Convened to review and evaluate applications.
- ▶ Submitted recommendations to the City Council based on the evaluation.
- ▶ Each member was assigned seven or eight proposals to review
- ▶ 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:
 - ▶ Provides services that sustain and empower youth, families and individuals to move towards an improved quality of life and self-sufficiency;
 - ▶ Provides programs that preserve and enhance a community's character;
 - ▶ Provides programs that contribute to a vibrant economy; or
 - ▶ Promotes programs that are integral to community revitalization, economic development and environmental sustainability.



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Fiscal Year 2024 Applications Overview:

- ▶ 52 applications;
- ▶ 21 new applications that did not submit in FY23;
- ▶ 5 organizations that did not submit in FY24 from FY23;
- ▶ Matching Funds for 2 Agencies, Four Rivers and Bates Legacy in FY23. Unclear if this is the same situation for FY24;
- ▶ Total requests \$ 1,087,483.00;
- ▶ Previous request in FY23 was \$931,292.00;
- ▶ Total Available to Award: \$348,000.00.



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Fiscal Year 2024 Committee Decision Guidelines:

Increases from FY23:

This section refers to the increase in funding that certain organizations will receive from the previous fiscal year (FY23). The increase is \$1,000.00 and it is given to organizations that received positive reviews from the committee and were compliant in their reporting.

Minimum Award:

The minimum award for a grant is \$2,000.00, with the exception of federal and/or non-resident serving projects.

Reductions:

Organizations awarded \$15,000.00+ in FY23 or more will have their funding reduced by 25% in FY24 in order to make room for the 20+ new organizations applying this fiscal year.

New Grants:

New grants will be awarded at a cap of \$5,000.00, with the exception of Annapolis Pride (the only organization serving the LGBTQ+ community) and Partners in Care (the only organization focused on seniors).

FY23 Compliance:

Organizations that were compliant with the grant requirements in FY23 will receive leveled awards.

FY23 Non-compliance:

Organizations that were non-compliant with the grant requirements in FY23 will receive reductions in their funding.



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Additional Recommendations:

- Organizations that received less than \$5,000 or are provided funding for a one time event should only provide one report instead of quarterly reports throughout the year. This would need to be legislated.
- Organizations should receive some of their funding upfront. Currently, this grant is reimbursement based.
- Some organizations that received grants yearly did not submit applications but reached out to the committee. The decision to award them grants is left to the consideration of the City Council.
- We recommend that the City Council consider whether to award all applicants, or to cut off at a maximum of 25-30 applicants.

FY2023 Grant Recipients that Didn't Apply in FY24:

The following organizations did not submit applications for FY24 but received grants in FY23:

- Restoration Community Development - H2O 4 Life,
- Creating Communities,
- Superior Future,
- Kunta Kinte Celebrations, and
- Historic Annapolis.



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Fiscal Year 2024 Applications

- ▶ Multitude of Services
 - ▶ 5 Nutritional Programs for Children and Youth
 - ▶ 18 Programs Serving for Children, Youth and Families
 - ▶ 8 Educational Programs for Adults
 - ▶ 4 Homelessness/Addiction Prevention Programs
 - ▶ 8 Programs that enhance Arts and Culture
 - ▶ 4 Programs that contribute to a vibrant Economy
 - ▶ 4 Programs that contributes to a clean Environment



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Committee Recommendations



- ▶ x Nutritional Program for Children and Youth
- ▶ x Educational Programs for Children and Youth
- ▶ x Mentoring and Life Skills for Children and Youth
- ▶ x Educational Programs for Adults
- ▶ x Homeless and Addiction Prevention Programs
- ▶ x Services for Youth and Adults
- ▶ x Enhance Arts and Culture



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Adetola Ajayi	FY23 Awarded	FY24 Requested	Final Recommendation
Annapolis Area Imagination Library	New	\$10,000.00	\$2,000.00
Annapolis Film Festival	\$15,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$11,250.00
Annapolis Green, Inc.	New	\$30,000.00	\$3,800.00
Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park	\$7,000.00	\$23,900.00	\$7,000.00
Annapolis Pride Inc	New	\$6,200.00	\$5,900.00
Anne Arundel County Food Bank, Inc.	New	\$30,000.00	\$4,700.00
Anne Arundel County Community Action Agency	\$27,500.00	\$27,500.00	\$20,625.00



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Erin Lee	FY23 Awarded	FY24 Requested	Final Recommendation
Tennis Alliance of Anne Arundel County	New	\$5,000.00	\$4,700.00
The Anne Arundel Conflict Resolution Center, Inc.	New	\$20,000.00	\$4,700.00
The Ballet Theatre of Maryland	\$5,000.00	\$9,740.00	\$5,000.00
The Light House	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00
The Salvation Army	New	\$25,000.00	\$3,300.00
United States Lighthouse Society	New	\$20,000.00	\$1,500.00
We Care and Friends	\$20,000.00	\$48,975.00	\$15,000.00



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Jeanne Coughlin	FY23 Awarded	FY24 Requested	Final Recommendation
Marshall Hope Corporation - West Annapolis Pantry	\$5,000.00	\$8,400.00	\$ 4,200
Maryland Therapeutic Riding, Inc	New	\$2,800.00	\$ 2,700
MD Reentry Resource Center	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$ 4,700
National Trafficking Sheltered Alliance	New	\$20,000.00	\$ 1,500
OIC of Anne Arundel County Inc	\$20,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$ 15,000
Organization of Hispanic/ Latin Americans of Anne Arundel County, Inc.	New	\$30,000.00	\$ 4,700
Partners In Care Maryland, Inc.	\$4,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$ 5,000



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Julie Donnelly	FY23 Awarded	FY24 Requested	Final Recommendation
Friends of Eastport Volunteer Fire Company	New	\$30,000.00	\$2,000.00
Heritage Baptist Church	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00
HOPE For All	\$7,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$7,000.00
Junior League of Annapolis Inc	New	\$10,950.96	\$2,000.00
Kingdom Kare, Inc	New	\$35,000.00	\$2,000.00
Kunta Kinte-Alex Haley Foundation, Inc	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
LETS GO Boys and Girls, Inc.	New	\$7,603.00	\$4,700.00
Live Water Foundation	\$10,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$11,000.00
Heritage Baptist Church Food Pantry	New	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00



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Laura Gutierrez	FY23 Awarded	FY24 Requested	Final Recommendation
Immigrant Connection at Path to Hope ("Path to Hope"), a program of Downtown Hope	\$5,000.00	\$19,200.00	\$6,000.00
Seeds 4 Success, inc	\$6,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$7,000.00
Serenity Sistas, Inc.	New	\$50,000.00	\$4,700.00
South Forest Drive Business Association, Inc. (d/b/a SoFo Annapolis)	\$2,000.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
STAIR (Start The Adventure In Reading) Annapolis	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00
Street Angel Project Inc.	\$5,000.00	\$45,239.00	\$6,000.00
Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00



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Patti Norris	FY23 Awarded	FY24 Requested	Final Recommendation
Annapolis Trust	New	\$20,000.00	\$2,400.00
Annapolis Wellness Corp DBA Wellness House of Annapolis	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00
Annapolis, London Town & South County Heritage Area, Inc.	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$21,000.00
Assistance League of the Chesapeake, Inc.	New	\$14,000.00	\$2,800.00
Boys & Girls Clubs of Annapolis & Anne Arundel County	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Brendan Corporation	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,500.00
Center of Help (Centro de Ayuda)	\$15,000.00	\$23,575.00	\$11,250.00



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Theresa Wellman	FY23 Awarded	FY24 Requested	Final Recommendation
Charting Careers, Inc	\$14,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$14,000.00
Chesapeake Children's Museum	\$1,500.00	\$25,000.00	\$2,000.00
Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
Children's Theatre of Annapolis, Inc.	New	\$28,000.00	\$2,800.00
Co-op Arundel	\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$10,000.00
Compass Rose	\$2,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$2,500.00
Feed A Healthy Mind, Inc.	\$3,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$3,000.00



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Summary

- ▶ 52 proposals totaling \$ 1,087,483.00
- ▶ 52 awards totaling \$348,000

