

LGBTQ Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham 2022 Grantees:

- **AIDS Alabama – \$6,000** to form a Youth Action Committee in collaboration with One Roof to elevate the voices of those with lived experience in designing a Continuum of Care plan to end youth homelessness.
- **AIDS Alabama: Alabama Latino AIDS Coalition (ALAC) – \$5,000** to host the 2nd annual LGBTQ Latinx conference for empowerment, leadership, LGBTQ+ advocacy and wellness for individuals and families.
- **AlaQuest Collaborative for Education – \$5,000** to educate and empower LGBTQ+ persons to serve as leaders in positive social change. Scholarships will be provided to LGBTQ+ Anytown delegates and a staff intern, lifting visibility of LGBTQ+ people, encouraging self-confidence, and supporting an inclusive society.
- **Birmingham Aids Outreach (BAO) – \$5,000** to provide monthly mental health support through regular self-care, health and wellness workshops for youth and young adults at the Magic City Acceptance Center.
- **Birmingham Black Repertory Theatre Collective (BBRTC) – \$6,000** to support the cost of a production elevating the work of queer BIPOC artists in its 4th year of bringing high-quality mainstage performances to the community.
- **Great Heights, Inc. dba Creative Wellness Institute – \$6,000** to provide access to mental health counseling services with licensed practitioners to LGBTQ+ individuals, children, couples and families on a sliding fee scale through the FamilyCare Initiative.
- **Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama – \$3,500** to foster collaboration with organizations directly serving the LGBTQ+ community with the goal of becoming a more visible ally of the Hispanic LGBTQ+ community.
- **Innovation Depot – \$4,000** to provide business and startup support specific to LGBTQ+ small business owners, entrepreneurs, founders and the entrepre-curious through a conference structured to create a sense of belonging and empower founders with the tools they need to succeed.
- **Invisible Histories Project – \$4,000** to record and preserve the stories of 10 local Black LGBTQ+ leaders, entertainers and community members through the Dream in Color project which will include interviews, donated archival materials and a documentary film.
- **Magic City Acceptance Academy – \$10,000** to build a curriculum promoting civic engagement for junior and senior students. The Bland Civic Engagement Initiative will work to give young people the skills they need to advocate for change and social justice through 4 defined constructs: Civic Action, Civic Commitment, Civic Skill-building and Social Cohesion.
- **Teach for America Alabama – \$5,000** to equip teachers with resources and strategies to support individuals in schools who identify as LGBTQ+, creating inclusive classrooms, assisting schools/communities/families in supporting students, and building a cadre of allies.
- **Unitarian Universalist Church for Southside Faith Communities – \$2,500 NEW** to further the interfaith clergy group's tangible support for trans children and their families, demonstrating that persons of faith affirm and welcome LGBTQ+ persons wholly and unequivocally.
- **University of Montevallo – \$5,000** to provide emergency monetary assistance to students in unexpected financial hardship as a result of their LGBTQ+ identity. The Safe Zone Fund will be administered through UM Counseling Services and the CARE Team's confidential intervention procedures.