



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
OF GREATER BIRMINGHAM

RESULTS FRAMEWORK GRANTS AWARDED IN 2014

Cycle 1 Grants – awarded in May 2014

RESULT: Children are successful along the education pipeline:

Increase high quality early learning opportunities for birth to eight-year olds

- **Alabama School Readiness Alliance/A+ Education Partnership**, \$15,000 to support the Alliance's efforts to identify underserved areas for Alabama's First Class Pre-K programs and assist in funding opportunities as well as jump-start efforts to improve the pipeline of quality pre-k teachers.
- **PreSchool Partners**, \$150,000 over 3 years to support the capital campaign for a permanent home for the program.
- **United Way of Central Alabama**, \$75,000 over three years to expand access to high quality child care and support workforce development through the Success by 6 program which covers our five county area.

Increase high school graduation rate

- **Birmingham Southern College**, \$120,000 to construct Blended Learning Classrooms on BSC campus and in Blount County high schools.
- **Camp Fire USA Central Alabama Council**, \$90,000 over three years for the SPARK school pilot project. The purpose of the project is to improve academic and behavioral performance in elementary, middle and high schools in the Bessemer area – SPARK will also gather long-term data of program impact.

RESULT: People can lead healthy lives

Improve nutrition and healthy food access and increase opportunities for physical activity through grants to the following organizations:

- **Black People Run Bike and Swim**, \$15,000 to support the 29 Red Rock Trail Program which will conduct a programmatic and mapping process in seven Birmingham communities linked to the TIGER Project of the Red Rock Trail System.
- **Christian Service Mission**, \$24,000 to expand the Birmingham Sharing Gardens Co-operative, a collaboration of community partners, churches and local public schools to increase the number and effectiveness of community gardens in Birmingham.
- **Jones Valley Urban Farm** \$90,000 over three years to continue expansion of the Good School Food Program to five schools in the area, impacting more than 5,000 K-12 students.
- **Levite Jewish Community Center**, \$65,000 over two years toward the Coordinated Approach to Child Health program. In the program, children ages two to five learn to have fun exercising, differentiate between healthy and less-healthy food choices and develop skills in age-appropriate, non-competitive activities.

- **Pell City Civitan Club** \$5,000 to develop materials needed to start-up the first community garden in the area to provide access to healthy food, teach nutrition education and encourage outdoor activity.

Improve access to care for vulnerable populations through grants to the following organizations:

- **BirthWell Partners**, \$10,000 to support doula services and childbirth education for low-resource pregnant women and teens in the Greater Birmingham area.
- **Cahaba Valley Health Care**, \$30,000 to support a weekly pediatric dental clinic that serves children without Medicaid and provides access to affordable care for children with Medicaid.
- **Catholic Family Services**, \$15,000 to support a bilingual clinical social worker to provide counseling services to Spanish-speaking clients.
- **Concerned Citizens for Our Youth, Inc.**, \$20,000 to purchase a minivan to transport Beacon House clients to school, medical appointments, mental health services, court hearings and recreational outings – Beacon House is a moderate residential treatment facility for young women between the ages of 12 and 19 in the Jasper area.
- **Hand in Paw**, \$60,000 over two years to increase building capacity that will allow Hand in Paw to add Prescription services to provide additional access to animal-assisted therapy for vulnerable populations.
- **Mustard Seed Society, Inc.**, \$5,000 to provide funding for a therapist and equine specialist for its Rescue Our Children Program.
- **Oasis Counseling for Women and Children**, \$60,000 over two years to expand counseling services to children through their adolescent therapy center that will include four play therapy rooms and four additional counseling offices.
- **Samford University**, \$125,000 over three years to develop and implement a diabetes and pre-diabetes intervention program for low-resource populations in the Greater Birmingham area.
- **The Arc of Jefferson County**, \$150,000 over three years to modify and improve the gymnasium on their new campus to provide a safe area for exercise in the community.
- **UAB School of Nursing**, \$75,000 over three years for a part-time position to support the staff of the Foundry Clinic in Bessemer – a clinic that sees both residents of The Foundry and the surrounding community who have limited access to affordable care .

Proactive Investment Grants

- **Central Six Development Council**, \$75,000 in matching grant dollars that will combine with state funds and National Fund for Workforce Solutions grant to support technical assistance and a director for the program
- **Payday Loan Rescue Project**, \$25,000 for set-aside funds to support the direct service strategy that addresses the payday loan issue in our five-county area.
- **Woodlawn Innovation Network**, \$100,000 over 2 years to support a service coordinator in the five-school Woodlawn network. The coordinator will work to integrate support services including primary health and dental care, mental health services, parent engagement programs and other social services for students.

