

2016 Southeast General Grants

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| American Red Cross Connecticut Chapter | American Red Cross Disaster Services | To support Preparedness, Response & Relief, and Recovery Services in southeastern Connecticut. | \$ 15,000 |
| Arc New London County | The Arc SPARCS Youth Advocacy | To support Student Peer Advocates Raising Community Support, a self-advocacy program for youth age 16-23 with intellectual and developmental disability about making choices. | \$ 8,000 |
| Avery-Copp House | Living History - The Immigration Story | To engage students in exploring immigrant history, using the lives of Irish immigrant servants who worked at the Avery-Copp House 100 years ago as a springboard to understanding of the contemporary immigrant experience. | \$ 2,500 |
| Boys & Girls Club of SECT | BGCSECT Summer & After School Program | The After School Program at Winthrop Square Extension is a comprehensive, evidence-based program designed to help create Great Futures for at-risk youth aged 6 to 18 in New London. | \$ 17,500 |
| Care and Share Soup Kitchen | Care and Share Soup Kitchen | To provide weekly healthy meals to those in need. | \$ 2,500 |
| Center for Hospice Care of SECT | Special Care Fund | To provide hospice and palliative care, special therapies and services, and bereavement counseling services to anyone in our community who needs them. | \$ 3,000 |
| Child and Family Agency of SECT, Inc. | Early Childhood Programs in New London and Groton | To provide high quality early childhood experiences that promote school readiness and a lifelong love of learning at the New London Day Nursery and the Early Childhood Development Center, both of which serve primarily low-income families living in New London and Groton. | \$ 15,000 |
| Community Health Center, Inc. | Eastern CT Senior Dental Care Program | To provide comprehensive dental care to vulnerable senior citizens in our region. | \$ 10,000 |
| Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness | New London Community Impact Project | To staff a local Eastern Connecticut Coordinator to bring together the numerous agencies that administer programs, creating one coherent system to end homelessness in New London County. | \$ 15,000 |
| Connecticut Science Center, Inc. | New London STEM Education Partnership | To train teachers at Winthrop Elementary and Bennie Dover Jackson Middle School in New London in student-centric, inquiry-based learning techniques through the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years. | \$ 10,000 |
| Connecticut Storytelling Center, Inc. | Littlest Listeners Preschool Storytelling | To harness the fun of professional storytelling and use it to engage young New London children and their parents to retell, replay, sing, rhyme, and most significantly, to love books, stories and to see themselves as readers. | \$ 7,000 |
| Covenant Shelter of New London | Covenant Shelter Services | Covenant Shelter seeks to continue operating a family shelter program, serving up to 7 families as well as up to 15 single men, and to assist guests in locating and securing housing. | \$ 18,000 |
| Eastern Connecticut Ballet, Inc. | Nutcracker School Assemblies | To offer fourteen school assemblies in five local school districts, preparing students to better understand and appreciate Eastern CT Ballet's "The Nutcracker" at The Garde Arts Center. | \$ 7,250 |
| Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra | ECSO Young People's Concerts (2) - 2016 | To provide the unique experiential opportunity for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders to attend a live symphonic concert. New this year will be in-school presentations to deepen educational impact. | \$ 12,000 |

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| ECT Community Gardens Association (ECCGA) | The Giving Garden at Coogan Farm | To purchase a moveable greenhouse that will allow growers to expose fertile soil to outdoor elements, thereby improving the soil's biological and physical health and making it possible to produce more food. | \$ 6,000 |
| Eugene O'Neill Theater Center | Young Playwrights Festival | To engage approximately 300 middle school and high school students in the art of playwriting. | \$ 10,000 |
| Expresiones Cultural Center Inc. | ArtVenture | To introduce the richness of Latin American arts and culture to New London children through arts and other educational programs. | \$ 7,500 |
| Flock Theatre | Shakespeare for Schools | To offer free or discounted student tickets to performances of "Macbeth" and another Shakespeare production in the 2016-2017 season. | \$ 10,000 |
| FRESH New London | FRESH New London: Youth Leadership in Food Justice | To engage youth in community food-based service and learning by building and maintaining community gardens, growing and gleaning fresh food for donation, and participating in advocacy projects that promote community food security and food justice. | \$ 25,000 |
| Garde Arts Center | PACE (Partners: Arts, Community, Education) | To align current Garde education programs, arts performances and workshops for students with efforts to plan and define strategic long-term partnerships with the New London Public Schools and other school districts in the region. | \$ 15,000 |
| Habitat for Humanity of Eastern Connecticut | 7 Killeen Road, Montville | To support the building of a new, energy efficient, single family Habitat home at 7 Killeen Rd, Montville. | \$ 10,000 |
| Hearing Youth Voices | Youth Organizing Program | To continue training New London youth as researchers, facilitators, organizers, public speakers and critical thinkers by conducting participatory action research and leading organizing campaigns on issues they identify as obstacles to their success in school and in life. | \$ 10,000 |
| High Hopes Therapeutic Riding | Financial Assistance Program | To provide scholarship assistance to financially underprivileged children and adults from throughout the Foundation's service area, including from New London, Groton and Montville schools. | \$ 5,000 |
| Higher Edge | College Access Program | To support a year of college admissions and financial coaching that empowers high school students to make informed college choices. | \$ 14,000 |
| Hygienic Art Inc. | Do the Write Thing/Picture My World/Artist Academy Jr. | To support an after school literacy program designed to enhance middle school students' writing, comprehension, critical thinking and problem solving skills through creative interaction with certified teachers and teaching artists. | \$ 15,000 |
| Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication | IEXL, ISAAC Before, After and Summer School Program | To support the IEXL afterschool program, designed to enhance academic achievement, improve family support and involvement, and promote health and wellness. | \$ 10,000 |
| Judy Dworin Performance Project | York Correctional Institution's Performance Project | To support a year-long dance theater residency that develops critical life and arts skills for a group of 30 women at York Correctional Institution. | \$ 12,000 |
| Lighthouse Voc-Ed Center | Project Beacon | To provide a weekend structured respite program twice a month for up to 25 children age 7-17 who are under DDS or DCF Voluntary Services and have identified autism and other challenging behavioral diagnoses that could otherwise easily result in 911 calls. | \$ 7,000 |

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| Madonna Place, Inc. | Fatherhood Initiative Program | To help fathers better meet the financial, emotional, medical and educational needs of their children by promoting positive and responsible fatherhood involvement. | \$ 20,000 |
| Martin House, Inc. | Basic Needs - Food Security Program | To help cover the cost of serving three meals daily to its 55 residents. | \$ 10,000 |
| Mitchell College | Early College Program | To make college more accessible and affordable for 30 Juniors and Seniors at New London STEM Magnet High School, allowing them to take for-credit college courses at Mitchell in one of four academic pathways. | \$ 12,000 |
| Mystic & Noank Library | Summer Internship at the Mystic & Noank Library | To support an intern to work primarily with children and teens visiting the Library over the summer months. | \$ 3,000 |
| Mystic Aquarium (Sea Research Foundation, Inc.) | Enhancing Experiential Learning: A Winning Partnership with Winthrop STEM Elementary Magnet School | To provide high-quality science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) experiential learning opportunities to 288 third through fifth grade Winthrop STEM Elementary Magnet School students to inspire them and deepen their understanding of the local aquatic environment. | \$ 12,000 |
| Mystic Area Shelter & Hospitality (MASH) | Shelter Diversion for Homeless and Imminently Homeless Families | To divert at-risk families from imminent homelessness through services that include a housing stabilization plan, connection to community services and resources, and financial assistance for permanent housing. | \$ 15,000 |
| Mystic Museum of Art | Education Outreach | To provide regional school-age youth access to experiential learning in art and literacy. | \$ 9,500 |
| Mystic Seaport Museum, Inc. | "Witness to History" Roleplayer Program | To extend the reach, impact, and diversity of the first-person interpretation program by adding two new role players who will share their "lives" in an educational, entertaining, and face-to-face experiential manner with Mystic Seaport visitors and students. | \$ 8,000 |
| Natchaug Hospital | IICAPS Basic Needs Emergency Fund | To protect a child's psychiatric condition through support of the Basic Needs Emergency Fund, which helps address situations of immediate concern that, if left unattended, cause harm to the child and/or family. | \$ 6,000 |
| Nathan Hale Arts Magnet School | Musical Theatre Production | To support the staging of "Lion King Jr.," immersing grade 3-5 students in all aspects of a musical production, in partnership with Mitchell College and Flock Theatre. | \$ 17,500 |
| Neighborhood Music School | Dancing with Parkinson's in the New London Region | To support a health-based program for adults with Parkinson's Disease and other neurological disorders that focuses on developing artistry and grace while addressing PD-specific concerns including balance, flexibility, coordination, gait, social isolation and depression. | \$ 2,500 |
| New England Science & Sailing Foundation | New London Initiative | To address the achievement gap, prevent summer learning loss, lower chronic truancy, and improve the high school graduation rate by engaging New London students in learning through year-round, K-12 ocean adventure STEM education. | \$ 25,000 |
| New London Adult and Continuing Education | Early Language, Literacy and Communication Initiatives | To contract a special education teacher and a storyteller to provide children age 6 months to 5 years with oral language experiences to develop speech, language, and literacy skills, and to model effective strategies to engage parents as full partners in their child's education. | \$ 8,795 |

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| New London Area Food Coalition, Inc. | Feeding the food insecure -New London area food pantry | To purchase foods that are otherwise unavailable from the Gemma Moran United Way/Labor Food Center to meet growing demand. | \$ 5,000 |
| New London Community Meal Center Inc. | General Operating Support/ Food & Supplies/Kitchen Manager Salary | To support the purchase of foods to supplement goods procured from the Gemma Moran United Way/Labor Food Center, and to offset the cost of a full time Kitchen Manager. | \$ 17,000 |
| New London Community Orchestra | Music City Strings | To provide free instrumental music lessons for students in New London at the Public Library and the Regional Multicultural Magnet School, filling a gap in educational offerings of the local school system. | \$ 2,500 |
| New London Homeless Hospitality Center | Disability Income Support | To assist individuals experiencing both homelessness and a serious disability to secure Social Security Disability (SSI) benefits. To implement a SOAR pilot in our area to expedite disability consideration for individuals experiencing homelessness. | \$ 21,000 |
| New London Maritime Society | Third Grade Local History Program in the New London Public Schools | To allow every New London Public School third grader to experience the most significant historic sites in the City, thereby helping to fulfill the social studies curriculum requirement for local history instruction in this grade. | \$ 12,000 |
| New London Youth Affairs | Early Childhood Family Center | To address school readiness through supporting families' basic needs, identifying and addressing developmental delays, and facilitating preschool placements. | \$ 15,000 |
| Noank Community Support Services, Inc. (NCSS) in partner with OutCT | LGBTQ Youth Empowerment Program | To empower local LGBTQ teens that are disconnected and lack caring adults as part of their support system with social time, group discussion, guest-speakers, experiential-learning activities and life-skills training. | \$ 6,280 |
| Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters, Inc. | The Community-Based Mentoring Program in New London County | To provide the Community-Based Mentoring Program to New London County children/youth who are growing up with significant challenges such as coming from a single-parent or no-parent household or having academic, emotional or behavioral difficulties. | \$ 10,000 |
| OIC of New London County, Inc. | Men's Anger Management and Healthier Relationship Program | To support the Men's Anger Management and Healthier Relationship Program, a new non-court referred program specifically for men to address anger and negative behaviors in relationships, marriages, and partnerships that will parallel the existing Women's Anger Management and Family Violence Education Program. | \$ 10,000 |
| Planned Parenthood of Southern New England | New London Fund for Access | To provide access to preventive reproductive healthcare for uninsured patients to reduce rates of teen pregnancy and STDs. | \$ 15,000 |
| Pro Bono Partnership | Free Legal Services for Nonprofits | To provide qualified small to mid-sized nonprofits with expert legal advice and free to low-cost educational services about their legal obligations and how to improve their infrastructure. | \$ 5,000 |
| Riverfront Children's Center, Inc. | The Riverfront Children's Center, Inc. | To provide tuition scholarships for high quality, affordable child care and education to children throughout Southeastern CT while their parents are in school, training or working. | \$ 19,000 |

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| S.T.E.P.S., Inc. | S.T.E.P.S., Inc. | To support Summer Leadership and after-school programs for adolescent girls and women in Groton and New London that offer them the tools necessary to build lives of integrity and self-sufficiency through the empowerment of positive choice. | \$ 5,000 |
| Safe Futures, Inc. | Phoenix House Transitional Living Program (PHTLP) | To provide 40 women and children who are homeless due to domestic violence and/or sexual assault with affordable housing, supportive case management and employment support services for 6 to 24 months. | \$ 7,500 |
| Salt Marsh Opera Company, Inc. | Kids Love Opera! La Cenerentola in New London | To introduce the magic of opera to New London 5th and 6th grade students through the presentation of a professional opera program. | \$ 5,000 |
| Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries, Inc. | Pantry Food Distribution | To purchase food from the Gemma Moran Food Bank and at wholesale for distribution to needy residents of Old Lyme, Lyme & East Lyme at weekly food pantries in Old Lyme and East Lyme. | \$ 5,000 |
| Southeastern Connecticut Cultural Coalition | Rising Tide Series | To support Rising Tide, a series of opportunities for collaborating, capacity building, information sharing and addressing common challenges within the arts, cultural and heritage sector of southeastern Connecticut. | \$ 15,000 |
| St. Vincent de Paul Place Norwich | Food Pantry | To provide a 3-day supply of food per family member; patrons may visit once a week. | \$ 5,000 |
| Stonington Free Library | Stonington Free Library Strategic Planning Initiative | To undertake a strategic plan with the assistance of a professional consultant. | \$ 10,000 |
| Thames River Community Service, Inc. | Beyond Transitional Living | To provide continued housing stability and life skills support for women and children in order for them to retain permanent housing and not return to homelessness. | \$ 10,000 |
| Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc. (TVCCA) | SE New London County Homelessness Prevention/Diversion Project | To offer homelessness prevention services, such as one-time rent payments, rent/utility arrearages and bus passes/gas cards for transportation to employment sites, to "working poor" families who are at risk of becoming homeless, in order to maintain housing stability. | \$ 16,225 |
| Three Rivers Community College | TRCC Allied Health Programs | To provide non-credit job training in the high demand allied health industry. These programs provide intensive, short-term training for unemployed and underemployed economically disadvantaged residents of southeastern Connecticut and create pathways to sustainable employment and access to higher education. | \$ 10,000 |
| United Cerebral Palsy of Eastern Connecticut | Disability Support Program | To increase the independence of individuals with disabilities, the majority of whom are low-income, by providing or coordinating services that enable the individual to secure transportation, employment, education, financial stability, and safe, affordable, accessible housing. | \$ 15,000 |
| United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Hartford, Inc. | Camp Harkness | To offer adults age 18 and over with physical and intellectual disabilities a summer experience of recreational and social activities like horseback riding, swimming, dancing, fishing and boating. | \$ 8,000 |
| United Way of Southeastern Connecticut (A) | Gemma E. Moran United Way / Labor Food Center | To purchase food to augment food donations for over 80 emergency/supplemental feeding sites that together serve more than 22,000 people throughout New London County. | \$ 18,000 |

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| United Way of Southeastern Connecticut (B) | New London County Fund to End Homelessness | To support the New London County Fund to End Homelessness, which focuses on rapidly rehousing individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness as well as keeping those imminently at risk of homelessness in their current housing. | \$ 12,000 |
| Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern Connecticut | Transforming Care: Applying the Population Health Model to VNASC Nurse Managed Clinics at New London Homeless Hospitality and Community Meal Centers | To provide the area's working poor and homeless with basic healthcare, referrals to higher levels of care, guidance navigating healthcare systems, and wellness coaching; and to streamline care by level of acuity, focusing on patients whose emerging health issues, if effectively managed, could produce the most beneficial outcomes. | \$ 30,000 |
| Waterford Country School, c/o Connecticut Adoption Services | Project Connecticut's Child (PCC) | To recruit, train and approve 15 families for the most difficult to adopt children in the foster care system, including youth ages 10 and up, children with mental, physical or emotional needs, and siblings. | \$ 10,000 |
| Westerly Area Rest Meals (WARM Center), Inc. | Community Critical Needs Program for Southeastern Connecticut | To provide financial assistance for basic needs such as rent, heat, utilities, and prescription medicine to help vulnerable families maintain housing and achieve greater economic security. | \$ 4,000 |
| Writer's Block Ink | General Programming | To offer innovative, high-quality arts experiences that encourage creative solutions to social problems to youth ages 6-21 throughout New London County, especially New London, Norwich, Groton and Waterford, engaging diverse communities and presenting youth-led art to the public. | \$ 25,000 |
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