

Partnership Grant Recommendation

	Organization	Project	Award
1	ROSE CDC	Safe and Friendly Streets	\$20,000.00
	Improve pedestrian safety and visibility by upgrading the striping of crosswalks to high visibility markers in the Lents and Powellhurst-Gilbert neighborhoods		
			\$20,000.00

Civic Engagement Grant Recommendations

	Organization	Project	Award
1	Jim Pepper Native Arts Council	11th annual Jim Pepper Native Arts Festival	\$10,000.00
	We are a 501c3 charitable organization. Since covid, our events featuring Native American musicians, artists, speakers and vendors have been hybrid in-person/virtual. All events are recorded on video for free public viewing online through social media and Xfinity cable TV. We have been staging Jim PepperFests on the campus of Parkrose High School since 2014.		
2	Portland Workforce Alliance	Summer Career Academy	\$5,000.00
	The 2023 Summer Career Academy is a week-long career-mentorship program located in East Portland and aimed at high school students who identify as female, non-binary, and/or gender expansive. It was first developed and implemented in 2021. This four-day career empowerment program includes workshops and coaching by inspiring community leaders from diverse backgrounds, working in fields such as local government, human resources, healthcare, and construction. Students connect with professionals and engage in candid conversations about getting their career started, managing their paychecks, developing confidence, overcoming challenges in the workplace and more. In 2022, 81% of accepted students identified as BIPOC, and 24% of students identified as non-binary or agender.		
3	Women-Sew Global Foundation	Stitching Lives Together-Sewing Collectives	\$7,700.00
	Our project seeks funding to support our on-going free sewing program, which connected immigrants and refugee women, to socio-creative, peer-to-peer programming, which can mitigate stressors of language barriers, cultural shock, social isolation and depression. According to the WHO (2014), socio-creative activities, can mitigate depression and anxiety disorders		
4	Division Midway Alliance	Festival of Nations 2023: Promoting BIPOC Small Business	\$5,000.00
	The goal of the project is to ensure participation of BIPOC community members and businesses in 2023 Festival of Nations. Taste of Nations provides business leadership opportunities for racially and ethnically underrepresented home based women owned business. Language Fair will help promote cross-cultural relationship and help create sense of belonging to many diverse East Portland Resident. We plan to promote inter-cultural dialogue, build leadership opportunity and through the Taste of Nations happening in September 2023.		

5	Torus	Free English Classes for Ukrainian and Afghan Immigrants and Refugees	\$5,000.00
We are currently focused on serving Ukrainian and Afghan immigrants and refugees by offering them free English classes both online and in-person. We are uniquely positioned to focus on this because we are led by an Executive Director who speaks Russian and Dari allowing us to communicate and deliver our services more effectively.			
6	SOAR Immigration Legal Services, a program of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon	New Americans Initiative – East Portland	\$2,000.00
This grant would support specific East Portland citizenship classes for immigrants and refugees offered in Spanish and Russian.			
7	Columbia Slough Watershed Council	CSWC Bilingual Paddle Program	\$4,000.00
This funding will support the expansion of the CSWC Bilingual Paddle Program, which provides local minority communities with the opportunity to explore and learn about the Columbia Slough Watershed.			
			\$38,700.00

General Grant Recommendations

	Organization	Project	Award
1	2023 East Portland Eat & Greet Series	Cultivate Initiatives	\$2,000.00
This project is to create a community event for neighbors of different backgrounds to come together around the issue of houselessness to promote belonging, and advocate a different way of engaging with houseless neighbors.			
2	EECRC Newcomers' Orientation	Ethiopian and Eritrean Cultural Resource Center (EECRC)	\$5,500.00
This Newcomers Orientation Project plans to have social and life skills building workshops, computer basics, and health and wellbeing workshops.			
3	Slavic Festival	Slavic Community Center of NW	\$9,826.75
To support this years Slavic Festival for neighborhoods in East Portland			
4	Metropolitan Family Service (MFS)	Metropolitan Family Service Youth Internship Program (YIP)	\$7,260.00
MFS YIP is an eight-week internship program that pairs David Douglas High School students with local organizations to ignite the process of mapping out their post-high school futures. Additional weekly financial literacy and personal resiliency workshops, 1:1 resume support, local guest speakers, and more will engage the students with their community as they learn how to set goals, reach them, and support one another through the process.			
			\$24,586.75