



All Region and St. Clare Fund Grants – FY15

Total \$1,785,500

All Region Fund

Catholic Relief Services, Washington, DC

Emergency Relief – Nepal Earthquake \$10,000

Support relief efforts in Nepal after devastating earthquake which destroyed more than 500,000 homes and claimed over 8,600 lives. Funding will assist Caritas Nepal in supplying tents, tarps and food to those in need.

Catholic Volunteers in Florida (CVIF), Orlando, FL

Recruitment Project & Cultural Competency \$15,000

CVIF is a statewide, nonprofit organization that provides individuals the opportunity to live out their faith through one year of full-time service to a community in need. Grant funding will support updating the volunteer recruitment strategy by growing the number of volunteers, recruiting more Florida based volunteers, and creating communities of 2-4 volunteers in all seven Dioceses in Florida. Additionally, a new recruitment strategy will include positions that do not require a college degree, car or citizenship plus offer educational awards in order to attract young adults of all socioeconomic statuses. Funding will also support cultural competency training to volunteers.

Enroll America, Washington, DC

Operating Support, \$20,000

Enroll America is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization working to maximize the number of Americans who enroll in and retain health coverage under the Affordable Care Act. Enroll America creates tools, analyzes data, informs policy and shares best practices. Enroll Florida established operations in May 2013 and a strong statewide presence remains. The organization partners with navigators, assisters, health centers and providers. Grant funding supports Enroll America's presence in Florida to continue innovative enrollment and insurance retention.

Florida Association of Free and Charitable Clinics (FAFCC), St. Petersburg, FL

Operating Support, \$50,000

FAFCC represents and supports clinics and networks that provide quality, cost-effective health services at little or no charge to low-income, uninsured and underserved Floridians. The member-based organization has secured and distributed state appropriated funds, offered educational webinars, an annual conference, research and data about the role of free clinics in Florida, and discounts from suppliers for members.

Florida Catholic Conference (FCC), Tallahassee, FL
Health Advocacy \$25,000

FCC serves as liaison to state government on matters of concern to the Catholic Church in the seven Florida dioceses. It is a nonpartisan, public policy voice on behalf of the Catholic Bishops of Florida. Grant funding supports health advocacy which is based on the belief that health delivery must be rooted in the values that respect life, acknowledge human dignity and respond to the poor and vulnerable. Current health advocacy work includes advocating for healthcare coverage expansion and ensuring that ministries of the Church are free to serve in accord with beliefs and protection of the law.

Florida Community Health Action Information Network (Florida CHAIN), St. Petersburg, FL
Medicaid Expansion Education & Advocacy \$40,000

Working on health reform with national, state, and local partners, Florida CHAIN builds the capacities of grassroots groups and service organizations and engages them in health care advocacy. Florida CHAIN provides policy education, collaborative networking, training, and communications and organizing tools to the public, allied partners, media and policy makers. Funding supports advocacy efforts to politicians, media and community-based organizations to solicit support of adopting the Medicaid expansion provisions of Affordable Care Act. The project has a three tiered approach including policy analysis, communications enhancement and consumer empowerment.

Florida Nonprofit Alliance (FNA), Winter Park, FL
Operating Support \$15,000

FNA informs, promotes and strengthens the nonprofit sector in order to create more vibrant communities across the state. FNA focuses on legislative, public policy and advocacy issues on the state and federal levels. As a membership organization, FNA is open to all nonprofits; for profit consultants; and philanthropic supporters. Member benefits beyond advocacy include: legislative updates, complimentary job board postings, nonprofit research data, discounted services such as background screenings and more. Funding will help build staff capacity, increase membership and state representation on board, and identifying additional products/services to improve membership value.

Florida State University Research Foundation, Tallahassee, FL
Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium (FCRC) Consensus Center – Florida Civic Advance \$15,000

The FCRC Florida Consensus Center, based at Florida State University, helps find solutions for contentious public policy issues. The Center demonstrates the value of building consensus before disputes develop, the importance of learning better ways to resolve public problems once they have emerged, and supporting collaboration in implementing solutions. FCRC currently leads Florida Civic Advance (FCA), a collaborative multi-sector network of over 30 statewide and regional organizations working together to strengthen the poor quality of civic life (voting, volunteering, philanthropy) in Florida. Grant funds support FCA to continue to move forward with the steering committee and work groups as well as serve as a resource to our staff to strengthen Allegany Franciscan Ministries' work in our Common Good Communities.

Independent Sector, Washington, DC

Regional Field Meeting, \$12,500

Independent Sector is the leadership network for nonprofits, foundations, and corporate giving programs in America and around the world. In 2015, Independent Sector partnered with local organizations to convene regional field meetings called THREADS. These meetings discussed trends impacting and influencing the sector, engaged participants in this larger conversation by sharing their stories of struggle and triumph, and gathered feedback on initial ideas of how Independent Sector can best add value to their efforts in the future. Funding supported the May 29 field meeting in Miami; with partners from around the state in attendance. A [report](#) on the THREADS results now available.

St. Clare Fund

211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast, Lantana, FL

Elder Crisis Outreach, \$30,000

Elder Crisis Outreach (ECO) provides referrals and case management services to callers who are age 60 and older. The core of the program involves three ECO advocates who provide intervention and navigation services, including telephone, in-home counseling, suicide evaluation, advocacy linkage, screening and benefit enrollment support. The program now averages about 650 cases per year. 211 ECO partners with Florida Power & Light on the AWARE program, utilizing Utility employees in the field to watch out for at risk elders. In addition, Fire Rescue and Law Enforcement partners with ECO to make referrals. ECO utilizes the Med Data system to identify programs that pays for prescription medicine. 211 Funding will provide critical program support during a funding deficit January- June 2016.

BayCare Health System, Clearwater, FL

Faith Community Nursing - \$160,000

The Faith Community Nurse (FCN) program assists faith community members in reaching optimum health through coordination of resources to meet physical, emotional, spiritual and social needs. FCN offers a unique partnership between two healing groups – the hospital or Community Health Alliance (CHA) and faith congregations. Faith community members learn how to take control of their own well-being and better manage their family's health. CHA's recruit, train, support and provide continuing education for Faith Community Nurses. The results are fewer emergency department visits, better daily care of chronic diseases, and an improved quality of life as we all move toward a population health model. Grant funding will support the growth and development of the four FCN groups within BayCare: St. Anthony's, St. Joseph's/South Florida Baptist, Morton Plant Mease and Winter Haven hospitals.

BayCare Health System, Clearwater, FL

Medical Respite for Homeless Adults - \$75,000

The Medical Respite Program at Pinellas Hope provides temporary emergency shelter for homeless individuals discharged from the BayCare system who are too medically frail to return to the streets but do not require further hospitalization or skilled nursing facility care. The

program is a partnership with Catholic Charities of the Diocese of St. Petersburg who operate Pinellas Hope, an emergency shelter and subsidized rental units. Program goals are: to provide a safe, secure place for homeless adults to recuperate following hospitalization; monitor and support continued medical compliance; identify and establish medical homes for clients; schedule follow-up appointments and support clients with attendance at their first follow-up medical visit after hospital discharge; and assist with obtaining identification, healthcare, and financial benefits.

BayCare Health System, Clearwater, FL

Get Your Fit On - \$65,000

Get Your Fit On (GYFO) is an eight week obesity prevention program focused on nutrition and exercise and involves the entire family. The program is taught in a group session. The goal of the program is to teach children, through real-world applications, the tools to make healthy eating choices. The program will also teach participants how to obtain enough daily activity to create and maintain a healthy physical body. Weekly lessons cover MyPlate food groups, provide a hands-on demonstration to create a nutritional snack, and a physical activity. Children and parents will have an increased knowledge of nutrition in order to make an effective change in their eating habits. The program will be instructed by a health educator and a certified wellness coach.

Catalyst Miami, Miami, FL

Prosperity Miami \$250,000

Prosperity Miami will address the increasing socio-economic challenges faced by Miami-Dade's most economically disadvantaged individuals and families. The initiative will: (1) Increase number of children and families below 200% of Federal Poverty Level who enroll/renew Subsidized Health Insurance; (2) Eliminate enrollment/renewal barriers; (3) Develop more robust referral pipeline of children/other household members for enrollment/renewal and other public benefits; (4) Increase number of children and families using healthcare and other benefits; (5) Increase the number of families engaged in financial coaching and financial benefits; and (6) Offer voter self-registration and education to the adults served. Prosperity Miami will reach deeper into communities of need with face-to-face canvassing and closer-to-home enrollments/renewals.

The Clinics Can Help Foundation, West Palm Beach

General Operating Support, \$80,000 (over 2 years)

Clinics Can Help (CCH) collects surplus durable medical equipment (DME) and supplies, and donates them to any person or agency that is in need in Palm Beach County. Clients/patients in need of DME are referred by case managers at hospitals, free clinics and medical/social services agencies in Palm Beach County. CCH is the only operation of this kind in the region and has proven to be a vital link for those in need of DME. In 2014, CCH assisted 1,593 clients by providing them with DME, including 550 walkers, 526 wheelchairs, 210 bed-side-commodes, 202 shower chairs, 166 home hospital beds, 74 nebulizers, 64 electric wheelchairs and scooters, 37 lift chairs, 36 patient lifts, 16 medical air mattresses and 18 adaptive transit

strollers and other items for a total of 1,665 pieces of equipment. Funding supports general operating expenses i.e., occupancy including utilities, phone, internet and insurance.

Florida State University Research Foundation, Tallahassee, FL

South Florida Regional Civic Advance Summit, \$20,000

The Summit will draw together and connect the diverse organizations engaged in building on the considerable regional and local assets to accelerate efforts to innovate and improve civic life in South Florida's communities. The Summit will further raise awareness of the social justice network (Social Justice Table) that Allegany Franciscan Ministries has helped to establish and showcase the civic work of its local and regional partner organizations. The Summit will address the following areas: civic success models, community and leadership assistance, civic indicators and civic research agenda. The Summit is expected to take place in early spring 2016.

The FCRC Florida Consensus Center, based at Florida State University is currently leading Florida Civic Advance (FCA), a collaborative multi-sector network of over 30 statewide and regional organizations working together to strengthen the poor quality of civic life (voting, volunteering, philanthropy) in Florida.

HANDS Clinic, Fort Pierce, FL

General Operating Support, \$100,000

HANDS clinic provides primary healthcare services to uninsured and low-income residents of St. Lucie County. Additional services include a health navigator, indigent prescription drug program, nutritionist and Diabetes educations, chronic disease management, diagnostic testing, pediatric and adult dental, and specialty care. Funding from Allegany Franciscan Ministries will provide general operation support.

Hebni Nutrition Consultants, Orlando, FL

Belle Glade Food Security Assessment, \$100,000

Hebni Nutrition Consultants is a community-based, not for profit agency that educates high-risk, culturally diverse populations about nutrition strategies to prevent diet-related diseases. Hebni's intervention programs and educational tools address populations, particularly African-Americans, who are at high risk for poor health outcomes. Hebni will provide an in-depth Community Food Security Assessment of the Belle Glade area.

The planning phase of the assessment will include the following: GSI mapping and data analysis, assessing food availability and quality, interviews with food store owners/managers, focus groups of local residents, and written reports on all findings of assessment.

Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, FL

Children's Health and Immigration Project, \$211,000 (over 2 years)

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County is a private, non-profit law firm dedicated to ensuring equal access to the justice system for the low-income, disadvantaged and traditionally underserved residents of Palm Beach County. The number of non-citizen children residing in Palm Beach County has surged in the past few years. The New York Times has reported that

Florida is among the top four states where non-citizen children are being resettled in response to the recent influx of unaccompanied minors into the U.S. Between January and July 2014, Palm Beach County received the second greatest number of these resettled children – second only to Miami-Dade County. The goals of the Children’s Health and Immigration Project are: to increase access to health and medical care and to increase family stability for non-citizen children at risk of abuse, neglect or abandonment. Funding will support the salaries of the full time attorney and paralegal.

Nonprofit Chamber Palm Beach County, Boynton Beach, FL
Palm Beach County Legislative Advocacy Initiative, \$20,000 (over 2 years)

The Legislative Initiative is a highly organized effort to build the capacity of the Palm Beach County Health and Human Services community in effecting change at the state level in order to enhance services for the county's most vulnerable citizens. Its purpose is to increase awareness and understanding of health and human services issues among professionals, policymakers, and advocates. The initiative will occur through three major events:

- 1) Advocacy workshop
- 2) Survey and work groups to identify legislative priorities including selection of two top priorities that will be described in a “Green Book”.
- 3) Legislative Summit where legislators are presented with the top priorities and given the “Green Book”.

Nonprofit Leadership Center of Tampa Bay, Tampa, FL
Capacity Building Training/General Operating Support, \$105,000 (over 3 years)

The Nonprofit Leadership Center of Tampa Bay’s (NLCTB) teaches nonprofits the skills to run their businesses through affordable training, coaching and online resources. Classes fall into four general areas of nonprofit operations: board governance, financial management, fund development, and executive leadership. Grant funding will support general operating expenses beginning in July 2015, allowing NLCTB to continue to offer a comprehensive array of programs and to keep program fees to students affordable. Initial funding will include support for the development of a strategic plan. Year two and year three funding will support strategic plan implementation and include emphasis on defining impact measures, deepening stakeholder relationships and consistently influencing the nonprofit conversation on sector issues.

Pinellas County Urban League, St. Petersburg, FL
The 2020 Plan, \$300,000 (over 3 years)

The 2020 Plan is a five-year, \$170 million investment plan, backed by County and City officials, to reduce poverty by 30% in South St. Petersburg by the 2020 Census – making it the most aggressive poverty reduction effort ever attempted in the State of Florida. The Pinellas County Urban League is the headquarters for the Plan operations and its programming is instrumental in reaching 2020 Plan goals. The Plan includes increasing employment by 5,000 by the end of 2019, and providing intensive employment, educational, health-related and other services to 8,000 men, women and children.

Allegany Franciscan Ministries’ funding supports the 2020 Plan Task Force and helps establish the 2020 Plan into a formal organization. Allegany’s investment will support the following

mission-critical investments: build the internal capacity of the 2020 Plan; construct a communications portal and support convenings and community conversations.

Prime Time Palm Beach County, Boynton Beach, FL

Palm Beach County Afterschool Symposium, \$5,000

The annual Afterschool Symposium provides professional development and recognition of exemplary service for out-of-school time (OST) professionals who work in local afterschool and summer programs. The 2015 event theme is ***Destination Healthy Children: A Journey to Wellness***. The Symposium will focus on strategies that OST professionals can implement to help youth develop habits that lead to positive mental and physical health that have been shown to impact academic and social success. The Symposium features an Exhibitor Showcase introducing a range of resources, informative professional development workshops, and an Awards Luncheon where local OST professionals will be honored.

St. Ann Church, West Palm Beach, FL

Coordinated Case Management, \$62,000 (over 2 years)

St. Ann Catholic Church, in downtown West Palm Beach, provides a homeless ministry through St. Ann Place. St. Ann Place provides a variety of services all aimed at assisting homeless women and men have a better quality of life. Over six years ago, staff from St. Ann Place recognized the need to provide access to basic and preventative health care for homeless clients and the Health Advocacy Program began. St. Ann Place has registered more than two thousand clients for the Health Care District of Palm Beach County. Homeless populations are at high risk for injuries, skin problems, and infectious diseases such as hepatitis, tuberculosis, and HIV. Funding will support a part time nurse practitioner to work at St. Ann Place.