



All Region and St. Clare Fund Grants – FY16

Total \$1,583,000

All Region Fund

Catholic Volunteers in Florida (CVIF), Orlando, FL

Strategic Visioning and Cultural Competency Workshop \$15,000

CVIF recruits, trains and supports full-time volunteers to serve community organizations in a variety of positions including social work, legal services, assisted living, teaching, and health care. Grant funds will support the implementation of a new strategic direction which will:

- Develop strategic relationships to increase volunteer recruitment to 18 volunteers by 2018.
- Increase community impact of Catholic Volunteers through partnerships with Catholic social service and social justice organizations.
- Execute a fundraising campaign that creates a permanent CVIF family of donors committed to transformative service, solidarity, peace, and justice.

Additionally grant funding will be used to provide new volunteers with a cultural competency workshop.

Enroll America – Florida, Washington, DC

Strengthening Regional Enrollment Coalitions, \$20,000

Enroll America works to maximize the number of Americans who enroll in and retain health coverage under the Affordable Care Act. It is the nation’s leading health care enrollment coalition with 6,700 partners in all 50 states. Partners are navigators, assisters, health centers and providers. Enroll America creates tools, analyzes data, informs policy and shares best practices.

“Year Four” enrollment will focus on building and supporting comprehensive, regional health coverage coalitions and meeting the needs of consumers and partner organizations. With grant funds, Enroll America will work with partners to develop an enrollment coalition in South Florida. Additionally Enroll America will build capacity of partner organizations and coalitions statewide through the Get Covered Academy. Academy training is provided at no cost.

Florida Association of Free and Charitable Clinics (FAFCC)

Operating Support, \$50,000, one year

FAFCC represents and supports clinics and specialty networks that provide quality, cost-effective health services at little or no charge to low-income, uninsured and underserved

Floridians. FAFCC has 90 member clinics in Florida. Statewide, member clinics serve more than 130,000 underserved individuals.

In 2016, FAFCC secured a \$9.5 appropriation to provide capacity building support to its member organizations. Beyond the significant financial assistance FAFCC provides, member clinics benefit from educational webinars, an annual conference, research and data about the role of free clinics in Florida, and discounts from suppliers. Grant funding will support the operating expenses for the organization.

Florida Catholic Conference (FCC), Tallahassee, FL

Health Advocacy, \$25,000 for one year

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 staffing of the Health Desk which provides a strong advocacy presence for Catholic health ministries at the state level. Advocacy 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. Staff advocate on behalf of the Church and Catholic health ministry in legislative and regulatory matters, with a focus on access to care, acute care, long term care, end of life and biomedical issues. Through the Health Desk, the FCC has membership in the Florida Hospital Association, Florida Health Care Association, and Leading Age Florida. Staff is a liaison to state agencies concerned with health care and monitor implementation of health regulations at the state and federal levels.

Florida Community Action Information Network (CHAIN), Coconut Creek, FL

Development Plan, \$120,000 over two years

Florida CHAIN is a statewide consumer health advocacy organization dedicated to improving the health of all Floridians by promoting access to affordable, quality health care. Florida CHAIN empowers consumers and builds the capacity of community organizations to engage in health care advocacy through with national, state and local partners. Priorities include promoting access to health care for those who are uninsured, underinsured, and support for government programs such as Medicaid.

Recently, Florida CHAIN has experienced a decline in funding to support healthcare enrollment and Medicaid expansion. Grant funding will be used to create and implement a multi-year fund development plan. The plan will increase diversify the organization's funding stream and increase the amount of unrestricted funds. The plan will include increasing the number of foundation and corporate funders as well as individual donors. A donor management database and email marketing software will be also be utilized.

Florida Literacy Coalition (FLC), Orlando, FL
2016 Florida Health Literacy Summit, \$5,000

Low health literacy costs up to \$236 billion a year in the form of longer hospital stays, emergency room visits, increased doctor visits and medications. Recognizing the need for improved health literacy, FLC has initiated two statewide convenings providing stakeholders with an opportunity to share information and explore strategies for effectively addressing low health literacy in Florida. FLC manages the Florida Health Literacy Initiative funded by Blue Foundation for a Healthy Florida which combines health education and ESOL instruction to help students acquire knowledge to make informed choices regarding their health and nutrition.

A third Health Literacy Summit is now being planned for fall 2016; this one-day event will provide a forum for stakeholders (persons working in literacy, medicine, social work, public health and public policy fields) to engage in a dialogue and share information and resources on effectively serving adults and families with low health literacy. Topics to be addressed include: competency-based health literacy training for health professionals, explaining insurance to newly insured, health literacy research and best practices, providing culturally competent care to patients with low health literacy, and the impact of limited numeracy skills on health outcomes. Grant funding will support the cost of planning, promoting and hosting the 2016 event.

Florida Nonprofit Alliance (FNA), Jacksonville, FL
Operating Support, \$40,000 over two years

FNA is a statewide coalition of nonprofits focused on research, collaboration, and advocacy. The mission is to inform, promote, and strengthen Florida's nonprofit sector. FNA provides a collective voice at the state and national levels, educating elected officials and other constituents, and serving as a central resource and referral center complete with sector data, public policy updates, advocacy tools, and resources. Currently there are 148 active members. Member benefits beyond advocacy include: legislative updates, complimentary job postings, nonprofits research data, discounted services such as background checks and more.

Current work is focused on development of a new strategic and funding plan, a five-city statewide listening tour starting in August, and exploring the feasibility of a "state of the sector" economic report and a compensation report. Grant funds will provide key operational support to the organization.

Florida Philanthropic Network (FPN), Tampa, FL
Membership Dues & Health Funders Affinity Group
\$15,000, one year

FPN is a statewide membership network of nearly 120 philanthropic organizations, whose mission is to promote philanthropy, foster collaboration, and advance public policy in Florida. Florida Philanthropic Network connects Florida grantmakers to one another through educational programs, networking, regional convenings, and online opportunities. FPN also conducts research on Florida philanthropy and grantmaking, as well as periodic research on the state's nonprofit sector, to help inform the work of people working in the field or with the field.

Grant funds will pay Allegany Franciscan Ministries' 2016 membership dues, operating support as well as support the staffing costs of the Health Funders Affinity Group which Allegany Franciscan Ministries is a member.

Young Invincibles, Washington, DC

Young Advocates for Medicaid Expansion, \$10,000

Young Invincibles was founded in 2009 motivated by the lack of young people's voices in the debate over health care reform. It is now a national organization representing the interests of 18 to 34 year olds ensuring their perspective is heard wherever decisions about their collective future are being made. Young Invincibles conducts cutting-edge policy research and analysis, shares the stories of young adults, designs campaigns to educate on important issue areas, informs and mobilizes youth and advocates to change the status quo. The three issues of focus for the organization are: healthcare, higher education and economic security.

Since 2014, Young Invincibles has been working in Florida to expand Medicaid. Their campaign analyzes the effects the coverage gap has on young Floridians and empowers young adults to speak out and encourage lawmakers to expand Medicaid. Grants funds will be used to train young adults in Miami-Dade and Hillsborough Counties to advocate for Medicaid expansion before, during and potentially after the 2016 state legislative session. The training will include education about existing healthcare programs and how they impact youth, advocating with the media, preparing op-eds or blogs in local media outlets, and participation in a millennial digital advocacy day. Young Invincibles will partner with local organizations to accomplish this work and seek to train 20-50 young advocates in support of Medicaid expansion.

St. Clare Fund

BayCare Health System, Clearwater, FL

BayCare Faith Community Nursing - \$160,000

The Faith Community Nurse (FCN) program is a community-based health ministry that provides health education to empower clients to take personal responsibility for their health, and provide information that will enable them to make informed healthcare decisions. The program is a unique partnership between two healing groups – the hospital and faith congregations. Volunteer nurses work with faith community members to provide education, training and support. Clients learn how to take control of their own well-being and better manage their family's health. The results are fewer emergency department visits, better daily care of chronic diseases, and an improved quality of life. Grant funding supports development and growth of the four BayCare FCN programs: St. Anthony's Hospital, Morton Plant Mease, St. Joseph's/South Florida Baptist, and Winter Haven Hospital.

BayCare Health System, Clearwater, FL

Medical Respite for Homeless Adults at Pinellas Hope - \$75,000

The Medical Respite program at Pinellas Hope provides temporary emergency shelter for homeless individuals discharged from the BayCare Health System who are too medically frail to return to the streets but do not require further hospitalization or skilled nursing 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. Respite clients reside in casitas (8 x 10 small wooden 'houses') that have no electricity or running water, and use Pinellas Hope facilities including restrooms, showers and meals. Clients receive a safe, secure place to recuperate following hospitalization; monitoring and support for continued medical compliance; assistance identifying and establishing medical homes for clients; help scheduling follow up appointments; assistance with obtaining identification, healthcare, and financial benefits. Grant funding supports program coordinator salary and benefits, office and medical supplies, use of casitas, and costs to transport clients to appointments.

BayCare Health System, Clearwater, FL

Youth Obesity Initiatives - \$65,000

Addressing youth obesity is a community identified priority for BayCare hospitals. Intervention and outreach programs are offered through St. Joseph's Children's Hospital Child Advocacy Center, to address this issue in both Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties. The Get Your Fit On (GYFO) is a prevention program for elementary students focused on nutrition and exercise with family engagement. The 8-week program partners with Title 1 afterschool and summer programs located in Pinellas and Hillsborough counties. GYFO teaches youth, through real-world applications, the tools to make healthy eating choices and maintain a healthy physical body. New additions in 2016 include offering the program during dedicated school time, a new curriculum focused on younger grades (pre-K-3) and an incentive parent outreach component for at-risk populations. Curriculum content includes: 1. Knowledge and application of USDA's "My Plate", 2. Encouragement and reinforcement of healthy food choice in school breakfast or lunch, 3. Physical activity, 4. Parent/student incentive to complete one healthy behavior change at home. Additionally, nutrition workshops will be offered to adults/caregivers. Grant funds support staffing, supplies, training and travel expenses for curriculum development and programming of Get Your Fit On in Pinellas and Hillsborough County schools and nutrition workshops.

Catalyst Miami

Project: Social Justice Table – 2016 \$50,000 for 6 months (Bridge Funding)

Since 1995, Catalyst Miami has been providing direct services to low-income families, leadership training and nonprofit/community capacity-building services. Each year, over 5,000 families in Miami-Dade County access their services. The organization believes that to create systemic change, they must face community health challenges at three levels: the individual/family level, the organizational level, and community-wide.

A six month grant from Allegany Franciscan Ministries will allow Catalyst Miami and the SJT to focus on emerging issues and to develop a competitive major grant application. The SJT will continue to work on issues such as Medicaid expansion and the environment but will also use funds to help focus on the sustainability and growth of the SJT as a self-standing entity. Outcomes for this six month period will focus on funding diversification research, membership growth and continued support of key issues.

Nonprofits First, West Palm Beach, FL

Project: General Operating Support \$20,000 for one year

Nonprofits First works to promote quality and accountability in the nonprofit sector in Palm Beach County and surrounding counties. The programs they offer include accreditation, education/training/leadership development, and management support services.

This grant supports will support the new infrastructure needs of Nonprofits First. Specifically, grant funds will be used to purchase a new telephone system, interactive whiteboard with projector and furnish the training room with tables and chairs.

St. Petersburg College Foundation, St. Petersburg, FL

Collaborative Labs at St. Petersburg College, \$20,000

The Collaborative Labs specializes in the design, facilitation and documentation of highly interactive and dynamic collaborative engagements for businesses, public sector and nonprofit groups. The process enables maximum participation to identify areas of consensus on a shared strategic vision and priorities. Collaborative technology such as whiteboards, visioning and brainstorming software and individual polling devices accelerate participants' best thinking. Real-time documentation of collaborative engagements ensures that all input is captured in a meaningful and comprehensive way. Engaging visual illustrations are created by a business illustrator detailing participants' shared vision and priorities. The majority of clients are nonprofit organizations seeking assistance with strategic planning. The service fees for Collaborative Labs services can be a barrier for small nonprofits. Grant funding will \$20,000 is recommended, and will pay for the salaries of the core team that supports the Collaborative Labs programming and will specifically benefit eight nonprofits. St. Petersburg College Foundation is the charitable arm for St. Petersburg College in which the Collaborative Labs operates and will serve as fiscal agent for the grant.

Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger, Tampa, FL

Project: Operating Support \$100,000 over 3 years

The mission of the Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger is to end hunger in Tampa Bay by bringing people together to find solutions that eliminate barriers, increase access, and expand the amount of nutritious food available. The network came together in 2011 and has over 40 members including nonprofits, universities and local governmental agencies. The group meets once a month to discuss issues related to hunger and possible solutions. This year the network formed 15 work groups (subcommittees) to address issues such as: childhood hunger, developing an app for food recovery and distribution, healthy corner store expansion and mobile food pantries.

This grant will help the network focus on sustainability, work group development and help develop the infrastructure of the network. As the network moves to the next level to address systemic hunger in the Tampa Bay area they will need to update their technology, increase the hours of their part time staff and look at other multi-year funding sources while still focusing on the outcomes of the work groups.