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Ministries

**Tau Grants - FY17**

**Total \$363,000**

**Miami-Dade**

**Advocacy Partners Team, Inc., Miami, FL**

**Domestic Worker Law and Policy Clinics \$10,000**

The Domestic Worker Law and Policy Clinics will create a safe space for domestic workers to receive legal information and individual services two times a month. The project will also be an effective mechanism for strengthening policy advocacy and they will provide "referrals" to opportunities for civic engagement. Funding supports staffing, trainings and supply costs.

**Cornerstone Christian Center of Homestead FL (DBA Bridge to Hope), Homestead, FL**

**Make a House A Home \$7,500**

The organization provides food, basic needs and health screenings to low income residents of deep south Miami Dade. The food pantry is open Wednesday through Saturday to provide food to families.

**Good News Club Ministries International, Inc., North Miami Beach, FL**

**Hunger Relief \$10,000**

The project is the expansion and enhancement of hunger-relief and service capacity programs. These programs will support the growing number of individuals that are in need who come seeking services. Funding will provide supplies, food and equipment to properly store food.

**Health in the Hood Inc., Miami, FL**

**Community Garden and Health Education Project \$10,000**

The organization creates vegetable gardens for urban communities and provides education around healthy living. The project will expand the community gardens, nutrition education and exercise classes to more urban neighborhoods in Liberty City, Overtown and Miami Gardens.

**Hope for Miami, Miami, FL**

**Urban K Gardens \$10,000**

Hope for Miami provides social services for low income families in Flagami (near the Miami Airport). The project will partner with a local middle school to create a school based garden to promote healthy eating and nutrition for students and their families. Classes will include cooking demonstrations, family engagement activities and fitness and nutrition.

**Key Clubhouse of South Florida, Miami, FL**

**Transition to Health and Wellness, \$10,000**

The project will serve a minimum of 50 Clubhouse members in the grant year and will be based on wellness programs operated at other accredited U.S. Clubhouses. The goal is for 80% of participants to meet their health goals. Funding supports staff, supplies and transportation to doctor's appointments.

**National Kidney Foundation of Florida, Orlando, FL**

**KEEP Screening/Path to Wellness \$9,000**

The Florida Kidney Screening Program provides free screenings for kidney disease, high blood pressure and diabetes for those most at-risk of developing kidney disease. Screenings are done in collaboration with local nonprofits. Funding will support supplies and travel costs.

**Pass It On Ministries of South Florida, Inc., Miami, FL**

**Emergency Food for the Needy \$10,000**

Pass It On Ministries is a 30 year old food pantry in Miami. Funding will provide food to serve over 3,000 residents.

**Pumps Pearls and Portfolios Inc., Miami, FL**

**Healthy Feedback Project III \$6,500**

The organization provides social services to residents of the Lee Park Neighborhood in South Miami. The project will provide a health fair for 650 residents; surveys will be administered at the end of the fair. Funding will be used for food, advertising, supplies and personnel.

**Three Virtues Organization, Homestead, FL**

**Pharmacist and Provider Education Series, \$10,000**

The organization promotes the health and welfare of minority communities. The project will provide educational sessions on medication, natural choices and drug interactions for 200 Hispanic and Haitian migrant families in Homestead.

**Thelma Gibson Health Initiative, Inc., Miami, FL**

**Health Literacy for At-Risk & Minority Seniors \$10,000**

The Thelma Gibson Health Initiative provides health and social services low income residents of Coral Gables. The project will provide elderly clients at The Gibson Stirrup Housing location case management services on health, financial literacy and healthy living activities.

**Victory for Youth, Miami, FL**

**Share Your Heart Summer Feeding Program \$10,000**

Victory for Youth has trained 700 area chaplains to provide food, counseling referral services and clothes to those in need. The project provides healthy food to summer feeding sites located at low income churches in Miami.

## **Palm Beach**

**El Sol Jupiter's Neighborhood Resource Center, Jupiter, FL**

### **Strategic Plan - Board and Staff Matter \$10,000**

El Sol is a community resource center working especially with day laborers. The project is a capacity building initiative to strengthen the organization's board of directors.

**Farmworker Coordinating Council of Palm Beach County Inc., Lake Worth, FL**

### **Haitian Community Outreach \$10,000**

The organization provides social services to 10,000 migrant and seasonal farm workers and their families. This project will conduct outreach and offer services to Haitian migrant workers in the Lake Worth area.

**Friends of Foster Children of Palm Beach County, Inc., West Palm Beach, FL**

### **Resource Connections \$10,000**

The Resource Connections program provides basic needs to children entering foster care. Resource Connections allows foster families to access basic needs through the Clothing Closet and Emergency Bags. Funding will be used to purchase personal hygiene and undergarments.

**Genesis Community Health Inc., Boynton Beach, FL**

### **Diabetes Prevention Medical Outreach Program \$8,000**

The organization is the fiscal agent for the Diabetes Coalition. The project will educate residents on diabetes, test for diabetes and help enroll clients in health services.

**H.A.C.E.R. Ministry Corp, West Palm Beach, FL**

### **Unified Communication System \$9,000**

H.A.C.E.R. (Hispanics in Action for Community Education & Rehabilitation) provides food, housing assistance and health education in central West Palm Beach. The project would update the phone system to a unified communication system which would better allow staff and volunteers to communicate with each other and clients.

**KinDoo Family Center, Indiantown, FL**

### **Cooking and Conversations \$6,000**

Obesity is directly linked to multiple chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, hypertension, cancer and arthritis. Cooking and Conversations at the KinDoo Center provides culturally competent nutrition lessons, gardening, chronic disease prevention and cooking classes. Funding will be used to purchase food and supplies.

**Meals on Wheels of the Palm Beaches Inc.,** West Palm Beach, FL

**Meal Subsidy and Technology Upgrades \$10,000**

The number of homebound seniors requiring the services of Meals on Wheels grows at a rate of 40% per year. The organization provides nutritious food at low cost to their clients. Not all clients are able to cover these costs. Funding will provide food and technology updates to keep up with the growing need in the community.

**National Council of Jewish Women,** Green Acres, FL

**Kids Community Closet \$10,000**

The organization will work with 27 Title I elementary schools by providing school uniforms, socks, underwear, school supplies, and personal care items for children in need. Funding will be used to purchase undergarments and personal hygiene products.

**Northwest Community Consortium Inc.,** West Palm Beach, FL

**Northwest Neighborhood Pop-Up Clinic \$10,000**

NCCI will partner with Genesis Health and a Faith Community Nurse to offer a pop up clinic two days a week for residents in Coleman Park and Pleasant City. Palm Beach Atlantic University Nursing and Pharmaceutical Program will provide student interns to assist in the care coordination of individuals. A navigator assists in connecting patients with a medical home. Funding will cover operational expenses such as utilities and medical supplies.

**Pregnancy Care Center,** Fort Pierce, FL

**Prenatal and Parenting Education Program \$4,000**

The Pregnancy Care Center offers prenatal classes, referral services and other pregnancy services. The project is an eight module series on healthy pregnancy and parenting.

**Riviera Beach Community Development Corporation,** Riviera Beach, FL

**Riviera Beach Community Garden Program Expansion \$10,000**

The goal of the project is to improve the health of the underserved by eliminating the barrier to accessing healthy food and providing access to community healthcare programs. Programs that will be a part of the expansion include; a biannual health fair with outreach programs from area healthcare organizations including diabetes screenings, health promotion activities and service opportunities, nutrition education events. Funding supports supplies, personnel and equipment costs.

**Sarah's Kitchen of the Treasure Coast, Inc, Port St. Lucie, FL**

**Homeless Service and Care \$10,000**

Sarah's Kitchen provides nutritious meals to the homeless. The mobile feeding units travel twice each week to parks and homeless camps in our communities. The goal with this expansion would be to double the amount of meals served to the homeless by doubling trips from 2 to 4 each week and the number of meals served to about 300 served through mobile feeding sites. Funding will provide supplies and food.

**Urban Growers Community Economic Development Corporation, West Palm Beach, FL**

**Veggie Van \$9,000**

The Urban Growers VEGGIE VAN is a mobile market place that works to meet the needs of Senior Citizens and families living in under-served areas. Urban Growers/Henrietta Bridge Farm uses the van to bring the vegetables to 5 designated locations where senior citizens live or attend activities. The VEGGIE VAN will also conduct cooking demonstrations onsite and give health workshops addressing nutrition for Seniors. Funding supports personnel, supplies and food costs.

**Volunteers in Medicine Clinic, Stuart, FL**

**Operating Support \$10,000**

Volunteers In Medicine is a free clinic that provided over 10,000 patient appointments in 2016. The project is a technology update and they will use funds for personnel and electronic medical record updates.

**Tampa Bay**

**Brain Expansions Scholastic Training (BEST), Tampa, FL**

**BEST Program Health Fair 2U Initiative \$10,000**

BEST is a mentoring program for youth interested in careers in health. The project will have youth develop and implement health fairs at local churches and community centers.

**Family Healthcare Foundation, Tampa, FL**

**Connecting Families to Coverage and Care \$10,000**

The organization collaborates with local nonprofits to educate and enroll residents in healthcare. The project will utilize a navigator to enroll children in Florida KidCare at community events.

**First Presbyterian Church, Tampa, FL**

**Matthew 25 Homeless Ministry nutrition enhancement \$10,000**

The program provides hot meals and bag lunches, blankets and hygiene products to the homeless.

**Early Childhood Council of Hillsborough County (ECC), Tampa, FL**

**Building Healthy Family Lifestyles \$7,000**

Families attending the Hillsborough County Health Dept./WIC Height & Weight screenings who are found to have at-risk children for chronic health issues will be offered the Building Healthy Lifestyles pilot project. The outcomes will be an improved understanding of how to "shop and cook healthy", improved awareness of the "diet dangers" (sugars, salts and processed food). Funding requested nutritionist, education material, supplies and food.

**Faith and Action for Strength Together (FAST), St. Petersburg, FL**

**Expanding Financial Capacity for Local Advocacy \$10,000**

The project will expand the financial capacity and fundraising efforts of the organization through the purchase of the latest version of the software "Quick Books" and the procurement of a financial audit.

**Kimberly Home Inc., Clearwater, FL**

**Client Education Program: Curriculum Enhancements \$7,000**

The organization will provide the "Cooking Matters" curriculum to educate low-income parents on the benefits of healthy food choices and healthy cooking. Courses are for two hours, once a week for six weeks and are team-taught by a volunteer chef and nutrition educator. Lessons cover meal preparation, grocery shopping, food budgeting and nutrition.

**Light House Gospel Mission, Inc., Riverview, FL**

**Operation Hope Sulphur Springs Mobile Pantry \$10,000**

The mobile pantry will distribute food to residents at New Life Baptist Church of Sulphur Springs. A registered, licensed dietitian will determine and monitor the quantity & types of food being provided under this project to ensure it is appropriate and nutritious. During the food distribution, clients will be screened to see if they qualify for SNAP benefits.

**Mission Tampa, Tampa, FL**

**Mission Smiles Dental Clinic-2017 \$10,000**

Mission Smiles provides free dental care to those without the means. They partner with churches and Missions in Hillsborough or Pinellas County each month. Dental cleanings, fillings, and extractions are provided to those who qualify. There are 2 dentists on the truck and 2 dental hygienists with portable equipment in the building. Funds are requested for supplies, personnel and lab fees.

**St. Mary's Ethiopian Orthodox Church, Tampa, FL**

**The Tampa Bay Gardens-Health Fairs \$10,000**

St. Mary's Ethiopian Orthodox Church operates a community garden for refugees from Asia and Africa, with culturally appropriate produce and animals. The project will offer quarterly health workshops and fairs for the refugees who use the garden.

**St. Petersburg Pregnancy Center Inc.,** St. Petersburg, FL

**Here We Grow Again-Technology for Expanded Service \$5,000**

The pregnancy center will use funds to update technology so the clinic can expand their health services for pregnant women.

**Tarpon Springs Shepherd Center Inc.,** Tarpon Springs, FL

**Food Mission \$10,000**

Once a week one hundred food boxes are loaded with meat and non-perishables and delivered to a pre-announced location in a refrigerated truck. The food pantry team also creates the weekly food deliveries for the homebound program. Residents are identified through the Senior Disabled Program in conjunction with the Tarpon Springs Housing Authority. Funding is requested for food to serve low income homebound Northern Pinellas residents.

**United Food Bank of Plant City,** Plant City, FL

**Health Literacy \$5,000**

The food bank provides food assistance to over 29,000 clients. The project educates ESOL clients on health, nutrition and English language skills.

**Village Presbyterian Church,** Tampa, FL

**Community Food Pantry Health & Nutrition Outreach \$10,000**

The Community Food Pantry and Faith Community Nurse will give clients access to healthy food and nutrition education. The pantry will coordinate a health fair at least twice a year combining a mobile food with a mobile health unit will be coordinated with Bay Care.

**Wheelchairs 4 Kids, Inc.,** Tarpon Springs, FL

**Rolling On to Bigger Things! \$10,000**

The organization provides wheelchairs and mobility modifications to children who do not qualify for government subsidies; this grant will be used for supplies and equipment to help 100 children. .