



Allegany Community Out Reach (ACOR) Grants – FY22
Total: \$285,700

International:

Centro Educacional Sao Francisco de Assis, Palmas, Tocantins, Brazil

Education and Stability, \$7,500

The school, which serves students from kindergarten to high school, is maintained by the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany. With grant funding, a new reservoir will be purchased to capture rainwater. Additionally, an image projector will be purchased to make course materials more accessible for students.

Convento Sagrado Familia, Macajuba, Bahia, Brazil

Eco-Workshops of Visual Arts, \$10,000

Funds will be used to work with teenagers and elderly women teaching visual arts over a two-year period. Crafts created will be sold for income for participants.

Convento Santa Dulce dos Pobres, Bom Jesus de Lapa, Bahia

Agroecology and Art for Well Living, \$8,000

Program will provide educational experiences in environmental education and healthy eating to youth and women. Grant funds will be used to create a small farm that will include tree seedlings, medicinal plants, vegetables, and chickens. Additionally, funds will be used to paint a wall with an environmental message.

Dignity for Haiti, Warsaw, IN

Good Samaritan Clinic in La Gonave, Haiti, \$10,000

Dignity for Haiti supports medical clinics that provide acute medical care, immunizations, prenatal care, outreach to homebound patients, and mobile medical clinics. Grant funds will support the upgrade of existing solar technology at two community clinics and the purchase of a portable ultrasound probe.

Franciscan Ministries, Kingston, Jamaica

Security Grillwork for Completion of Building at Porziuncola Farm, \$10,000

Grant funds will be used to purchase and install steel bars for window and door openings at residential building on community-based farm. Grillwork will increase safety for workers and visitors.

Franciscan Mission Service of North America, Washington, DC

Deepening Franciscan Mission in Jamaica, \$10,000

A new lay missionary is serving at St. Francis Primary School in Kingston, Jamaica. Grant funds will support health insurance and transportation expenses, and provide a monthly living stipend for the missionary.

Franciscan Sisters of Allegany – Brazil Region, Anapolis, Goias, Brazil

Access to Health & Education for People Living in Poverty, \$7,400

Funds will support community work in Anapolis providing psychological counseling, food, and technology access to people living in poverty and struggling in the midst of the pandemic.

Franciscan Sisters of Allegany – Brazil Region, Goias, Brazil

Building Leadership to Witness and Serve the Community in Mozambique, \$10,000

Renovate agricultural school building to become a Catechetical Center for youth and adult leaders at Santo Antonio da Maganja da Costa Parish in Mozambique. Training will be offered in health, religious education, and leadership. This is a new ministry of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany.

Franciscan Sisters of Allegany – Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica

Furniture Acquisition for St. Joseph's Infant School, \$5,000

Grant funds will help to purchase 22 adult chairs for teachers and aides to use in their classrooms. Existing chairs are damaged due to age and exposure to elements during the pandemic.

Franciscan Sisters of Allegany – Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica

Immaculate Conception Prep School Grid Tie Solar System, \$10,000

Project focuses on reducing reliance on public utilities and lowering school operational expenses. Grant funds will be used to purchase solar panels and migrate to solar technology using a Grid Tie System.

Franciscan Sisters of Allegany – Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica

Roof Replacement and Room Partitions at St. Francis Primary & Infant School, \$10,000

Funds will be used to replace the 30-year-old leaky roof of school that was founded by the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany and serves students ages 4 to 12. Additionally, room partitions will be purchased for the auditorium, as required by the Jamaican government's COVID protocols.

Franciscan Sisters of Allegany – Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica

Roof Replacement at St. Aloysius School \$10,000

Grant funds will help to replace the 25-year-old roof destroyed by past hurricanes. St. Aloysius serves students ages 5-12 of which 80% of families are considered low-income.

Franciscan Sisters of Allegany – Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica
Technological Modernization and Development for Alvernia Preparatory School, \$10,000

Grant funds will support upgrade for outdated school computer lab with new HP laptop computers. The new technology will allow students to develop research, typing skills and internet safety.

Fundacao de Assistencia Social de Anapolis, Anapolis, Goias, Brazil
Healing at Santa Casa de Misericordia de Anapolis \$5,000

Santa Casa de Misericordia de Anapolis is a hospital which serves 1.3M people with a focus on serving people who are marginalized. Grant funds will be used to purchase textiles to make patient bedding, gowns, and uniforms for hospital staff.

Global Health Ministry, Newtown Square, PA
Reaching Patients in Peru Through Telemedicine, \$10,000

A telehealth program has been established with a long-time mission site to provide consultations. Grant funds will pay for medications, supplies, patient travel costs, and follow-up testing and treatment.

NACRI, Anapolis, Goias, Brazil
Investing in the Future, \$10,000

NACRI provides educational programming to children ages 6-15 in a neighborhood with high rates of violence and unemployment. The project will install environmentally-friendly solar technology that will save the organization money on energy bills.

Village Partners International, Tampa, FL
Supporting Local Efforts to Control the Spread of COVID-19 in Mombin Crochu, Haiti, \$10,000

Healthcare providers will work in rural areas to address misinformation about COVID vaccines and administer vaccines. Grant funding will be used to build cisterns so clean water is available.

United States:

BayCare Health System, Clearwater, FL
Pinellas Hope COVID Infection Prevention Nursing Support, \$10,000

Funds will support a new LPN position to address COVID infection prevention efforts including monitoring COVID positive individuals and keeping them isolated, and implementing classes that focus on health literacy. Funding will support the position for eight months.

Canticle Farm, Allegany, NY

General Operating Support – Structural Upgrades, \$10,000

Funds will be used to improve office operations, formalize planned giving and continue outreach to marginalized communities. This will occur through rebuilding website, migrating to Google Workspace for Nonprofits, digitizing employee time tracking, updating employment policies and procedures, establishing a formal planned giving strategy and maintaining a farm stand in Olean that is within walking distance for clients who use SNAP, WIC, and FMNP government programs.

Catholic Health System, Buffalo, NY

Faith Community Nursing, \$3,500

The program will identify volunteer nurses, help congregations assess health needs, establish connections to program and resources, and train community health promoters. Grant funds will be used for instructional supplies, an electronic documentation system and to provide blood pressure cuffs.

Daystar Life Center, St. Petersburg, FL

Basic Needs, Homeless Prevention, \$10,000

Financial assistance will be provided to marginalized adults to prevent eviction. Daystar serves those who struggle meeting narrow guidelines or documentation requirements for government-based housing assistance programs including people who are undocumented.

Feeding Tampa Bay, Tampa, FL

Feeding Neighbors at Trinity Café \$5,000

Grant funds will be used to purchase food that will serve over 2,600 meals at two Trinity Café locations in Tampa. Trinity Café is a charitable restaurant that provides hot, three-course chef-prepared meals to anyone in need.

Franciscan Action Network (FAN), Washington, DC

General Operating Support, \$10,000

FAN is a collective Franciscan voice that seeks to transform public policy related to peacemaking, care of creation, poverty, and human rights. Grants funds will support personnel and technology costs to add new Franciscan Justice Circles.

Genesis House of Olean, Olean, NY

General Operating Support \$5,000

Genesis House provides temporary housing to single men, women, and families. Grant funding will support operating expenses including rent and utilities.

Gerard Place Housing Development Fund Company, Buffalo, NY

Healthy Mom and Baby Programs, \$7,000

This collaborative program will address the high number of premature births in the area. Activities include counseling, baby-well visits, and support groups for moms. Grant funds will pay for supplies, marketing the program, and transportation costs for participants.

Hillsborough House of Hope, Tampa, FL

Houses of Hope Renovations, \$10,000

Temporary housing is provided to women transitioning out of correctional institutions and into mainstream society. Grant funds will be used to make repairs and updates to three residences.

House of Mercy and Encouragement, Dunedin, FL

Providing Safe and Healthy Families Through Quality Mental Health and Literacy Success, \$5,000

Mental, emotional, and behavioral health services are provided to children, families, and adults with a focus on serving those unable to pay for services. Funding will support staffing, translation, and technology expenses.

Mercy LIFE of Alabama, Mobile, AL

Caring for Elderly Patients with End Stage Renal Disease, \$7,500

This Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) addresses chronic health needs while maintaining independence for the patients. Grant funds support transportation expenses for patients with End Stage Renal Disease to health center to receive dialysis.

Mount Carmel Health System Foundation, Columbus, OH

Healthy Living Center Community Garden, \$10,000

The Healthy Living Center offers no-cost programming and educational resources that support Franklinton residents. Grant funds will be used to create a community garden and to purchase program supplies. Garden-based education will be offered to the community and will include gardening supplies.

St. Gianna's Center for Women & FertilityCare, Largo, FL

Gap Funding, \$10,000

The Center specializes in natural procreative technology to address unique medical needs of women. Clients are primarily referred from the Diocese of St. Petersburg. The Center does not deny services due to the ability to pay. Grant funds will support personnel costs to hire a second FertilityCare Practitioner.

St. Peter's Hospital Foundation, Albany, NY

Stocked for Success: Providing Basic Baby Care Supplies for Impoverished Families, \$9,800

Grant funds will support home visitation program that promotes self-sufficiency of families in caring for children birth to five years old. Supplies including formula, diapers, pack-n-play cribs, and car seats will be purchased for program participants.

The Dwelling Place of NY, New York, NY

Hungry No More, \$10,000

The Dwelling Place provides women experiencing homelessness with transitional housing, food, workforce training, and other services. Grant funds will be used to purchase and install new freezers and a refrigerator for food storage.

Virtua Health Foundation, Marlton, NJ

The Bridge Leader Labs, \$10,000

The Bridge provides positive lifestyle enrichment for ages 13+, offering interactive workshops and training sessions focused on leadership, communication, and team building. Grant funding will support program staff salaries.