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**Grant Showcase
& Annual Meeting
2022**

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PROGRAM

Welcome

Larry Singer, ECF Board Chair

The Jim Kogen Foundation Spirit Award

Larry Singer, ECF Board Chair

ECF's Commitment to Equity Work

Dr. Sharon Robinson, ECF Board Vice Chair

Celebrating 25 Years of Partnership

Amy Fan & Chloe Lim, Executive Co-Chairs, NUDM23

ECF Grantmaking

Dr. Sharon Robinson, ECF Board Vice Chair

E-town Innovation Grants

Community Organizing & Family Issues (COFI)

Jesse Rojo & Rocio Mancera, Community Organizers

Nonprofit Growth & Sustainability Grants

Infant Welfare Society of Evanston

Stephen Vick, Executive Director

Collective & Enduring Initiatives

Evanston's Coalition to End Homelessness

Betty Bogg, Executive Director, Connections for the Homeless

Kelley Gandurski, Interim City Manager, City of Evanston

Sue Murphy, Executive Director, Interfaith Action

Katie Spoden, Continuum of Care Planning

Director, Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County

Building the Future

Evanston Rebuilding Warehouse

Chris Valentine, Board President

ECF as Partner & Change Leader

Sol Anderson, ECF President & CEO

ECF Funds

Reparations Stakeholders Authority of Evanston (RSAE)

*Dino Robinson, Member of RSAE &
Founder, Shorefront Legacy Center*

ECF Role in Nonprofit Community

Northwestern University

*Dave Davis, Executive Director, Office of Neighborhood &
Community Relations*

The State of ECF

Sol Anderson, ECF President & CEO

ECF STAFF

Sol Anderson - President & CEO

Karli Butler - Program Officer

Rebecca Cacayuran -
Vice President for Community Investment

Cynthia Dominguez -
Vice President of Finance & Operations

Jan Fischer - Chief Financial Officer

Tori Foreman - Administrative Associate

Jennifer Moran - Director of Leadership & Training

Joi-Anissa Russell -
Vice President of Philanthropy & Communications

Marybeth Schroeder - Program Consultant

Andrea Schroering - Accounting Manager

Jenny Valdes Del Valle - Program Associate

Julie Villagomez - Office & Technology Manager

Vanessa Villagomez -
Database Manager & Donor Services Associate

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Sharon Robinson - Vice Chair

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Chris Rothwell**

Marcel Sallis

Gene Servillo*

Larry Singer - Board Chair

Michael Walker

Bryant Wallace - Governance Chair

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Judy Witt*

* Retiring Board Member

** Incoming Board Member

GRANTMAKING PARTNERS

ABS Fund	William and Mary Ann McGrath Foundation
Judy Aiello	Barbara and Bruce Mitchell
Anonymous (2)	Northwestern University Dance Marathon
B & J Fund	M . J. O'Brien Family Foundation
Brenner Family Fund	Partners for the Future Fund
Easter Family Foundation Fund	Plumtree Fund
The Freitag D'Arcy Family	Red Bud Fund
Bonnie Forkosh	Rees/Servillo Family Fund
Gartz and Lasko Family	Rotary Club of Evanston
Linda Gerber	Rubens Family Foundation
Gratch Family Fund	Renee Schleicher
Hagerty Altenbernd Fund for Evanston	St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Cheryl and Mark Kaplan	Jill and Jay Twery
Kaput D'Angelo Family Fund	Charlie Vernon Performance Fund
The Lumpkin Family	Waskow Slater Family Fund
MALTAP Fund	The Weaver Family
The Mammel Foundation	Wintrust Financial Corporation
Joe 'Butch' Martin Fund	

Fund for Evanston and Field of Interest Funds

ECF's Fund for Evanston and a number of field of interest funds are sources of funding for our annual grantmaking. The Fund for Evanston, established in 1987, is ECF's original unrestricted endowment fund. Field of interest funds are endowment funds created by donors that focus on specific areas of interest. We are grateful to donors who made gifts to these funds supporting our grantmaking and programmatic work.

Fund for Evanston

ECF's general endowment to meet community needs through grants and programs

Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Anderson Fund*

George Cyrus Memorial Fund*

Natasha S. Deutsch Fund*

Evanston Realtors Fund*

Evanston United Way Fund*

Martha and Don Farley Fund

Rees-Servillo/Jan Heffernan Memorial Dinner Fund*

Jeffrey M. Schoenberg Honorary Fund

*Denotes funds that provide direct support to grants.

Board-Directed Field of Interest Funds

Acorn Fund

All Our Sons

Arts in Community Fund

Balkcom Family Fund for Literacy and Affordable Housing

Cultural Diversity Initiative

EDN Fund for Early Childhood

Fund for Women & Girls

Green Communities Fund

Lydia Martin Memorial Fund for Children and the Arts

Lorraine Hairston Morton Fund for Youth

Sara Schastok Fund

Sweers' Fund for an Equitable and Resilient Evanston

Faith Vilas Fund for Youth

YEA! Harvey Pranian Legacy Fund for the Arts

GRANTEES

Community Catalyst Grants

Provide small scale financial support for time-sensitive opportunities and needs.

Beegle Poverty Institute

Poverty Informed Community Workshop

Edwardsville Community Foundation

Tornado Disaster Relief

Evanston Cradle to Career *with Evanston Community Foundation, City of Evanston, Northwestern University's Office of Neighborhood and Community Relations, Evanston Early Childhood Council, Girls Play Sports, and Evanston Latinos*

ARPA Roundtables

Evanston Early Childhood Council *with Childcare Network of Evanston*

Early Childhood Educator Scholarship Fund Launch

Evanston Public Library *with City of Evanston 311, City of Evanston, Evanston Community Foundation, and Amita Behavioral Health*

Evanston Care Network

James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy

Flood Repair

Kitchen Table Stories Project with Kids Create Change

Healing Justice Project

Latinx Leadership Business Group *with Evanston Chamber of Commerce*

Latinx Leadership Business Development Group

Literacy Works

Clear Language Evanston

Open Studio Project

Latino Social Services Leadership Training Workshop

Collective & Enduring Grants

Bring together nonprofit organizations and other stakeholders to address challenges and change systems over the long term in Evanston.

Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County
with Connections for the Homeless, City of Evanston, Alliance to End Homelessness, Interfaith Action of Evanston, and more than 30 institutional partners

Community Coalition to End Homelessness in Evanston

GRANTEES CONTINUED

Evanston Grows with *Curt's Café, Edible Evanston, Evanston Food Exchange, West End Garden Initiative/Evanston Fight for Black Lives, Garden Club of Evanston, and Evanston Made*

Evanston Grows Start Up

Northwestern University with *City of Evanston and Evanston Community Foundation*

Guaranteed Income Pilot Program

Reparations Stakeholders Authority of Evanston (RSAE)

Communications and Administrative Capacity Building

The AUX with *Growing Season, Fix Development, and Several Evanston Black-owned businesses*

Community Space at The AUX

YWCA Evanston/North Shore with *Evanston/Skokie School District 65, Evanston Community Foundation, and Community Organizing and Family Issues (COFI)*

Children's Savings Accounts

E-Town Innovation Grants

Support organizations to be bold and innovative in solving today's equity challenges, prioritizing Black people, Indigenous people, and people of color (BIPOC).

Books & Breakfast with Evanston/Skokie School District 65, ETHS Summer Lift, and Huntington's Skokie franchise

Intensive Summer Tutoring to Address COVID-19 Reading Loss and Advance Racial Equity

Center for Independent Futures with ETHS Transition House

Supporting Full Lives for Young Adults Marginalized by Disability, Race & Other Intersectionalities

Childcare Network of Evanston with Infant Welfare Society of Evanston, Family Focus, Fathers Families and Healthy Communities (FFHC), and the City of Evanston

Supporting Male Involvement in Early Childhood

Community Organizing and Family Issues (COFI)

Strengthening Parent Leaders for Equity in Evanston

Connections for the Homeless with Open Studio Project

Art & Wellness Services Collaboration

Curt's Café *with Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre*

Amplifying Young Adults' Voices Through Drama and Spoken Word

Evanston Grows *with Curt's Café, Edible Evanston, Evanston Food Exchange, West End Garden Initiative/Evanston Fight for Black Lives, Garden Club of Evanston, and Evanston Made*

Evanston Grows Outreach and Aggregation Project

Evanston Latinos *with Evanston Public Library*

Nuestro Camino a la Plenitud / Our Journey to Wholeness

Evanston Scholars *with Evanston Township High School*

Outreach and Engagement Initiative

Farmworker and Landscaper Advocacy Project

Empowering Latinx to be Financially Sufficient through Culturally-Responsive Community Education

Jennifer's Edibles Feeding the Community

Feeding the Community

Kids Create Change *with Evanston/Skokie School District 65*

Windows & Mirrors

GRANTEES CONTINUED

Next Steps for Transformation *with PTA Equity Project, District 65, Nichols Middle School PTA (fiscal sponsor), and community organizations*

Next Steps Antiracism Learning Studio

Northlight Theatre *with ETHS Art and Technical Education Departments*

Career Development in the Arts

Oakton Community College Educational Foundation

The Oakton Academy for Black Men

Open Studio Project *with City of Evanston*

Social-Emotional Focused Teen Open Studio at Robert Crown Center

PEER Services, Inc.

Black Men's Support Group at PEER Services

Purple Line Adventure Play *with Ridgeville Park District and Evanston Public Library*

Pop-Up Playground at Elks Park

Rebuilding Together North Suburban Chicago *with City of Evanston: Restorative Housing Program*

Expanding the Housing Reparations Program in Evanston

Y.O.U. (Youth & Opportunity United) with Evanston Scholars

Supporting Evanston Y.O.U.th's Postsecondary Success

YWCA Evanston/North Shore with City of Evanston: Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program

YWCA Youth Leadership Program

Nonprofit Growth & Sustainability Grants

Support a thriving nonprofit sector and their ongoing work in Evanston by investing in nonprofits' organizational capacity and sustainability.

Art Encounter

Capacity Building: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Assessment

Books & Breakfast (B&B)

Operating Support

Connections for the Homeless

Operating Support

Erie Family Health Centers

Operating Support

Evanston Rebuilding Warehouse

Capacity Building: Building Financial Sustainability and Growth

Evanston RoundTable Media

Capacity Building: Supporting the Long-Term Sustainability of The Evanston RoundTable

Evanston Scholars

Capacity Building: DEI Initiative Launch

Impact Behavioral Health Partners

Operating Support

Infant Welfare Society of Evanston

Operating Support

Institute for Therapy through the Arts

Capacity Building: Strategic Planning and Staffing Transitions

Interfaith Action of Evanston

Capacity Building: Racial Equity Assessment

James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy

Operating Support

McGaw YMCA

Operating Support

Mitchell Museum of the American Indian *with Northwestern's Center for Native American and Indigenous Research, Regional Native American Tribes, Central Street Business Alliance, and the 17 other member organizations of the Chicago American Indian Community Collaborative.*

Capacity Building: Racial Equity and Inclusion of Native Voices at the Mitchell Museum

Northlight Theatre

Capacity Building: Comprehensive Program Review and Evaluation, a Strategic Alignment Project

Open Communities

Capacity Building: Relaunching Open Communities as a Premier Housing Justice Agency in Evanston

Y.O.U. (Youth & Opportunity United)

Operating Support

Youth Job Center

Capacity Building: Increasing Awareness, Understanding, and Connection to Career Pathways

YWCA Evanston/North Shore

Operating Support

2021 root2fruit Graduates

Invest in capacity building for small and mid-size organizations that serve Evanston. root2fruit is a multi-year program for a cohort of grantees, providing annual grants, coaching, and a learning community.

The Actors Gymnasium

Canal Shores

Puerta Abierta

Reba Development Corporation

Young, Black & Lit

2020-2021 Building the Future Grantees

Build the capacity of nonprofits to fundraise through a major gift challenge of up to \$25,000, along with cohort training sessions, and individual organizational coaching with an experienced development professional.

Childcare Network of Evanston

Evanston Rebuilding Warehouse

Family Promise Chicago North Shore

Institute for Therapy through the Arts

PEER Services

Meals on Wheels Northeastern Illinois

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