

Tipping Point Grants

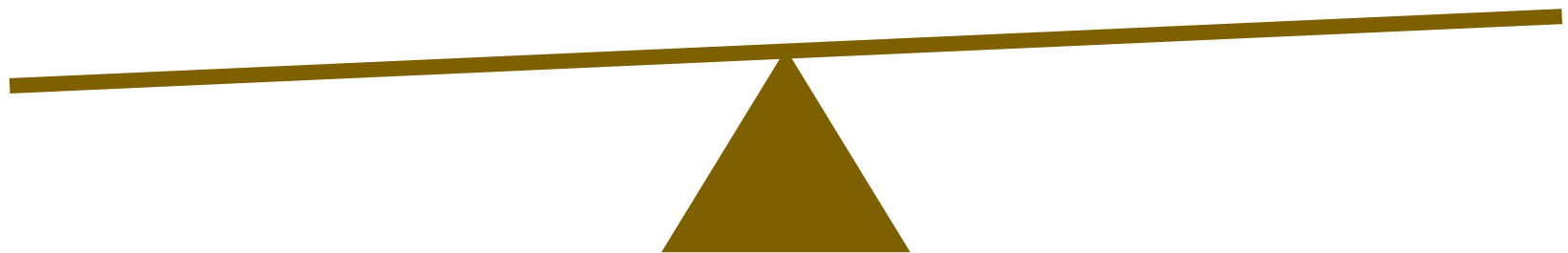


2022-2023

Tipping Point Grants

\$5,000 grants to amplify efforts to “tip” toward greater resiliency in the community

Funding for one-time costs (such as equipment, training, materials or staffing) to help get a project on greater footing



Agency:

A Therapist Like Me

Project:

Adolescent Support

- Connect minority-identifying clients with minority-identifying therapists
- Establish therapy groups for teens and/or their parents
- Provide sessions on issues related to bullying, discrimination, social isolation & more
- Goal to serve 60 youth & their families



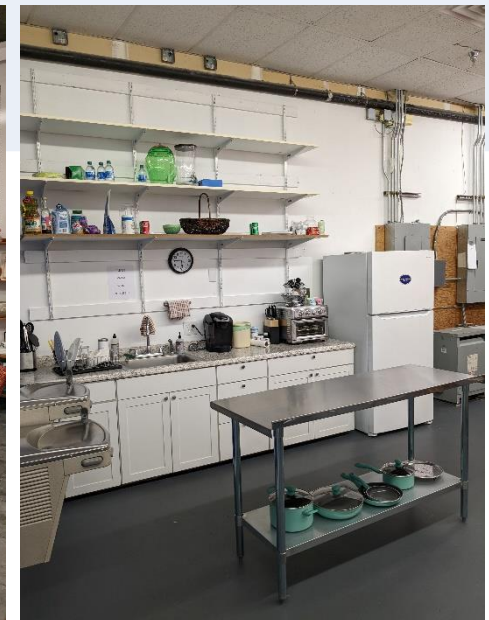
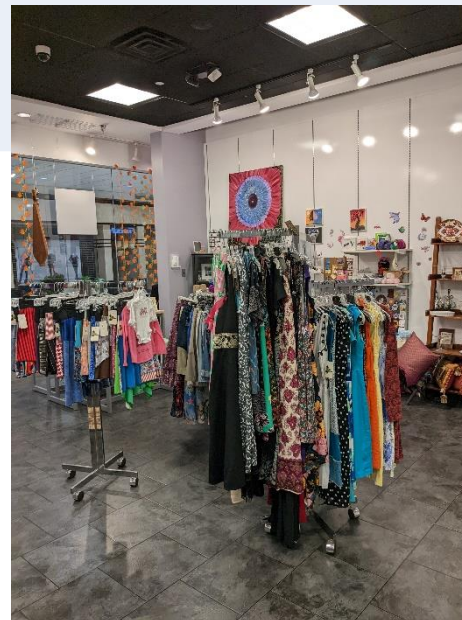
Agency:

Arms Around ASD

Project:

Independent Living Skills

- Support people with Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Expand independent living skills program with onsite laundry (washer/dryer)
- Provide instruction in clothing care and maintenance to participants in the Friends Group



Agency: Big Ivy Community Development

Project: Youth Engagement & Crime Prevention

- Operate Big Ivy Community Center in Bardnardsville
- Increase partnership with Buncombe County Sheriff's Office
- Install safety & security equipment
- Upgrade picnic shelter area
- Host Youth Night community events



Agency:

Bloom Fitness

Project: Reaching Adults With Disabilities

- Provide physical fitness programming such as yoga, Pilates, dance, and chair fitness through live, virtual instruction and on demand videos to athletes with intellectual and mobility disabilities
- Partner with Irene Wortham Center to build a multi-sensory library of resources & activities



Agency:

Blue Ridge Pride Center

Project:

Welcoming Foster Families

- Raise awareness of the need for foster parenting to LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer) youth
- Support the recruitment and training of LGBTQ-friendly foster parents in partnership with foster care subject matter experts

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

30.4 percent of youth in foster
care identify as LGBTQ+



**LGBTQ+ YOUTH HAVE
ALWAYS BEEN IN CARE,
NOW WE NEED TO
IMPROVE THE SYSTEM
SO THEY FEEL SAFE,
SUPPORTED, AND
AFFIRMED.**

Agency:

Blue Ridge Public Radio

Project:

StoryCraft

- Operate a youth storytelling project in collaboration with Asheville Writers in the School and Community
- Provide audio and storytelling training to provide positive youth development and amplify youth voices in the community
- Create audio, digital & visual content produced by youth
- Broadcast and distribute youth centered and youth created content



Agency:

Bountiful Cities

Project: Asheville Buncombe Food Policy Council

- Identify low-wealth neighborhoods with existing outdoor food pantries and/or community gardens that are interested in expanding to a community refrigerator, root cellar, or other cold-storage infrastructure
- Work with identified neighborhood residents to plan and install the equipment and sustain their project



Agency:

Bountiful Cities

Project: Southside Community Grocery Project

- Purchase healthy goods from local farmers and food producers with an emphasis on BIPOC farmers
- Create additional pantry space in the Southside neighborhood for the distribution of dry goods and shelf-stable products
- Distribute goods for free to neighborhood residents



Agency:

Bounty & Soul

Project: Building Trust, Affinity & Engagement

- Create a website for community engagement
- Build an education platform that will make health and wellness classes, recipes, and cooking tutorials more equitably accessible to participants
- Connect community members through the new platform



Agency:

Colaborativa la Milpa

Project:

Raíces Youth

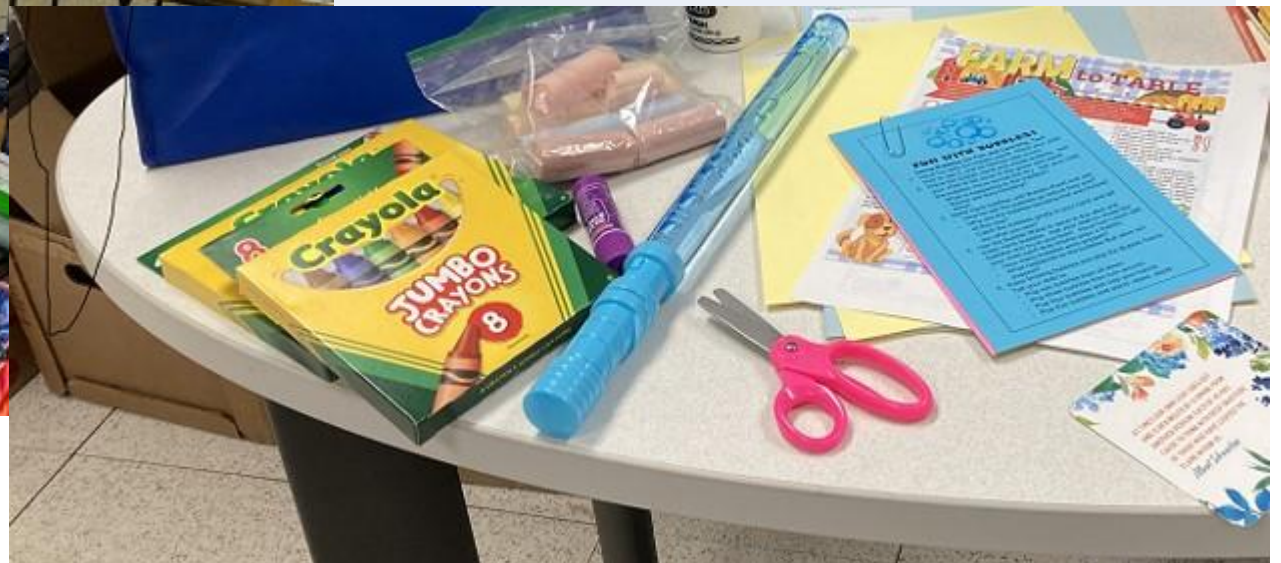
- Provide cultural arts afterschool programming for Latinx youth
- Hire & train Latinx parent/community leaders with skills in the cultural arts to work as instructors with Raíces



Agency: Community Action Opportunities

Project: Summer Fun Learning Kits

- Create Summer Fun Learning Kits with learning cards for parents and children
- Distribute for Head Start families for the purpose of continued learning over the summer months that classes are not in session



Agency:

Literacy Together

Project:

Tutor Intern Model

- Recruit adults of color to be trained as paid literacy tutors
- Enroll students in grades 1-5 for tutoring, and match tutors to provide 45-minute free literacy lesson twice weekly for at least one school year



Agency: Mount Zion Community Development

Project: Grandparents are Truly Essential

- Engage grandparents (biological & non-biological) in Project NAF (Nurturing Asheville Area Families)... a program that provides support to pregnant and post-partum Africa American women and their children
- Host virtual education sessions using a research-based home visiting curriculum



Agency:

PivotPoint WNC

Project:

High Quality Facilitator Training

- Enroll facilitators in training/skill development courses including Motivational Interviewing & Clinical First Responder
- Equip facilitators for therapeutic adventure work such as day program, family intensive & experiential outpatient



Agency:

Read to Succeed

Project:

Literacy Where We Live

- Engage youth in the Burton Street Community in repairing and building little free community libraries and organizing a literacy-driven community event
- Distribute culturally responsive books & reading kits
- Center youth voices from in creating positive literacy experiences for young readers



Agency:

RiverLink

Project:

Take Me to the River

- Partner with area afterschool programs to incorporate environmental education into their curricula & activities
- Conduct educational activities with students in afterschool programs



Agency: Shiloh Community Association

Project: Urban Ecology at the Garden

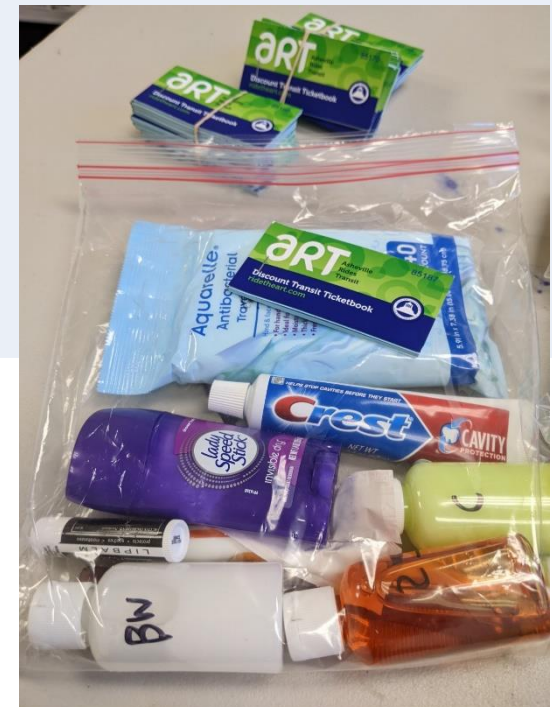
- Partner with an ecologist to teach workshops at the Shiloh Community Garden to educate people on the importance of urban ecology
- Conduct free educational outreach with emphasis on black and brown youths who often do not have access to such opportunities



Agency: **Sunrise Community for Recovery & Wellness**

Project: **Cultivating Connection**

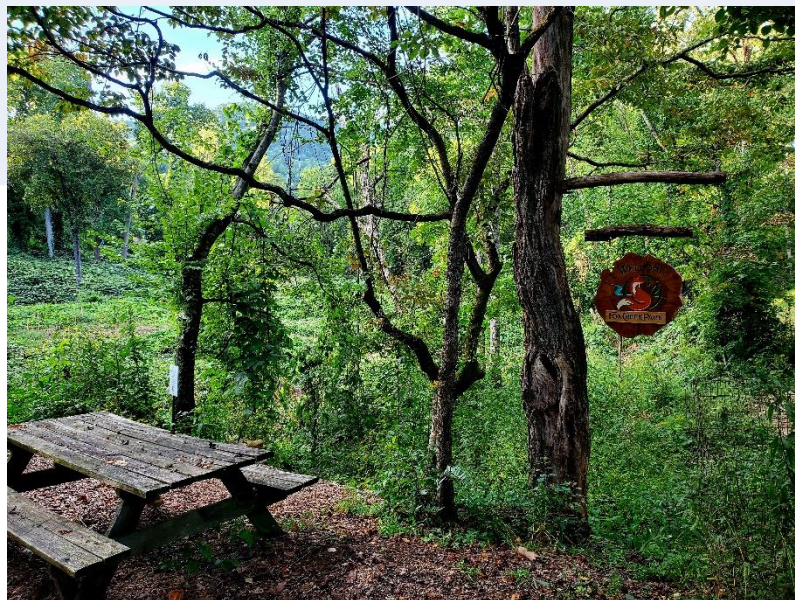
- Connect people who are living in vulnerable conditions to resources that build resilience, improve health, remove barriers & reduce isolation
- Purchase and distribute items such as hygiene supplies, bus tickets & phones/phone cards and assist with necessary documents such as IDs & birth certificates



Agency: Swannanoa Community Council

Project: Fox Creek Environmental Restoration

- Undertake an environmental restoration and community education project on the Fox Creek site, a 2.35-acre parcel of land in the Grovemont neighborhood
- Engage volunteers in work to preserve and enhance wetlands, water quality, and botanical wildlife
- Conduct community education regarding invasive species removal, bird survey training and restoration



Agency: Warrior Canine Connection

Project: Connecting Veterans

- Connect veterans through the healing power of dogs
- Utilize a Mission Based Trauma Recovery model to help recovering Warriors reconnect with life, their families, their communities, and each other
- Provide Trauma Recovery programing at Charles George Veterans Affairs Medical Center & other partner sites

