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**TOTAL RECOMMENDED:** $560,000

**DECLINES/WITHDRAWN:** Pages 67 - 69
ARTS & CULTURE

RECIPIENT: LONG ISLAND ARTS ALLIANCE
720 Northern Blvd., Hillwood Commons #122
Brookville, NY 11548
(516) 224-8440
Dr. Marian Conway – Board Chair
Theresa Statz-Smith – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $15,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To update marketing materials promoting arts and culture institutions on Long Island.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Long Island has many arts and culture institutions, but without guidance, tourists often do not know where they are or what they are featuring. In 2012, the Long Island Arts Alliance created the ArtsAliveLI.org website as a hub to promote the region’s robust arts and culture institutions. The website was followed by the creation of a Long Island arts map in 2015, which targets tourists looking for activities and points of interest. The Alliance distributes more than 50,000 maps each year to hotels, railroad stations, ferry and bus terminals, and other tourist locations, as well as to theaters and arts venues. These resources must be constantly updated to remain useful.

Formed in 2003, the Alliance is a network of arts, cultural, and arts education organizations that work together on initiatives to build capacity, grow new audiences, increase revenue streams, and encourage economic development through the arts. It also develops and implements region-wide strategies to address the challenges facing the arts community, such as competition with New York City’s cultural scene, and disinvestment of arts education by schools. Its programs and services also include arts management educational forums and heritage exhibits. The Alliance has continued to grow and its membership includes more than 150 museums, historical societies, theater groups, artists, and performing arts venues.

The Alliance plays a vital role in enhancing the quality of life for residents and attracting visitors to the region by highlighting and showcasing the region’s cultural attractions. Local venues have reported increased attendance which they partially attribute to increased visibility provided through the regional map and website. This year the Alliance will:

• redesign the ArtsAliveLI.org website to improve functionality and user-friendliness; and
• update, produce, and distribute the LI Arts Map.

The project budget is $37,000: $15,000 for staff and consultants, and $22,000 for project expenses, such as printing and distribution. Revenue of $17,000 has been raised through sales,
in-kind support and membership fees; $5,000 is committed by a corporate grant, leaving a balance of $15,000. We recommend a one-year grant of $15,000.

The Long Island Arts Alliance’s annual operating budget is $186,000.

**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** 2012 - $25,000; 2013 - $20,000; 2014 - $20,000.

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**FUND STRATEGY:** All unrestricted.

November 2017
D.M. Okorn
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Grants to Promote Affordable Housing Efforts

Long Island’s housing costs are among the highest in the nation; nearly 44 percent of homeowners and 56 percent of renters pay more than 30 percent of their income for housing – above the threshold of affordability. Nearly ten years after the economic recession, housing prices are sky high, property taxes have increased, and wages have not kept pace with rising housing costs. Furthermore, according to a report issued by the New York State Comptroller, Nassau and Suffolk Counties continue to lead the state in foreclosure rates and growing foreclosure caseloads, even as the housing market is rebounding across the country. Despite increased demand and need, Long Island has far fewer rental units than neighboring counties, and exclusionary zoning policies and ‘not in my backyard’ attitudes continue to incumber construction. New York State passed the Long Island Workforce Housing Law to encourage the creation of affordable units in new multifamily housing developments across Long Island. However, the law has not achieved its goal and has largely been ignored by local municipalities.

As a result, safe, decent, and affordable housing is out of reach for thousands of Long Island residents. An increasing number of low-to middle-income residents are turning to illegal and often unsafe apartments, and communities of color that were hit hardest by the foreclosure crisis are experiencing blighted neighborhoods and an eroding tax base. Young professionals are leaving for better housing opportunities, and the region’s elderly – the fastest growing segment of the population – have no housing options if needing to sell their homes.

To respond to the region’s housing crisis, the Long Island Community Foundation has committed its community development efforts to promote non-discriminatory affordable housing policy reforms and to support local community efforts to drive affordable rental and homeownership options. Consistent with this strategy, we recommend three one-year grants totaling $80,000 to: Regional Plan Association to create sustainable communities and planning for more housing options in Long Beach; St. Joseph’s College to promote and build support for affordable housing development and fair housing strategies; and Uniondale Community Land Trust to promote long-term, affordable homeownership on behalf of the hamlet of Uniondale.

Descriptions of the projects follow.

November 2017
S. Jones
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

RECIPIENT: REGIONAL PLAN ASSOCIATION
One Whitehall Street
New York, NY 10004
(212) 253-2727
Scott Rechler – Board Chair
Thomas K. Wright – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To support affordable housing options in the Long Beach community.

NATURE OF PROJECT: For more than 80 years, the Regional Plan Association has worked on land and transportation planning as well as Geographic Information System analysis and mapping. It mobilizes civic, business, and government sectors to act on community plans for the New York metropolitan region. It has done extensive work on Long Island, including collecting and analyzing data for the Long Island Index; facilitating Mayor’s Institutes for 13 municipalities that led to some of the region’s largest downtown revitalization projects; and serving as lead consultant for both the Long Island 2035 Visioning Initiative and the Housing and Urban Development’s Sustainable Communities Initiative grant that included Nassau and Suffolk Counties. It also helped produce the Long Island Rental Housing Crisis report and has helped several municipalities with community development planning. As a result, the Association has gained relevant knowledge of the region’s land use, housing, and transportation challenges and has built trust with municipal leaders and public officials, nonprofit and business executives, and grassroots advocates.

For two years, the Association has worked with local and regional stakeholders to research and prepare its fourth regional long-range plan that identifies strategies to guide the growth of New York, Connecticut, and New Jersey (to be released in November). A centerpiece of the plan is to increase housing affordability to meet the changing economy of the region. Consistent with this priority, it developed a two-day training program for municipal elected, appointed, and staff leaders from four municipalities, connecting them to respected experts to exchange ideas and learn about creating sustainable communities and planning for more housing choice.

The City of Long Beach in Nassau County has expressed interest in a similar program to help gain the support needed to approve the City’s plan for zoning changes to allow for varied housing options. The Association has approval from the City to host a program for Long Beach, including community leaders who are critical to obtaining the buy-in to get projects implemented.
The Association will:

- work with the City of Long Beach planning staff and community organizations to define their housing development challenges;
- assemble a group of experts and prepare a briefing book that includes conditions of Long Beach and land use planning primers;
- hold several land use and community development training sessions with community leaders and organizations including the MLK Center, Long Beach Latino Civic Organization, New York Communities for Change, and Make the Road Long Island;
- facilitate a one-a-half-day program for the Long Beach City Council, members of land use boards and departments, other public officials, and community leaders; and
- prepare a report that outlines the challenges identified, reviews the discussion at the training session, and provides recommendations.

The project budget is $30,000: $26,000 for staff and project consultants, $2,000 for the community partners, and $2,000 for project expenses. The Association has raised $10,000 from the Ford Foundation, leaving a balance of $20,000.

Good community development and affordable housing projects are often stymied by ineffectual municipal approval processes and uninformed community members. The Regional Plan Association has a track record of educating and gaining the support of relevant stakeholders for sustainable development decisions. New elections at the City of Long Beach provide an opportunity to reenergize efforts around the comprehensive plan and make the Association’s efforts particularly pertinent. We recommend a one-year grant of $20,000.

Regional Plan Association’s annual operating budget is $1.8 million.

**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** 2012 - $86,000; 2014 - $22,000.

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**FUND STRATEGY:** Both unrestricted.

November 2017
S. Jones
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

RECIPIENT: ST. JOSEPH’S COLLEGE
Christopher Carroll, Esq. – Board Chair
Dr. Donald Boomgaarden – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $40,000 for THIRD YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized March 2015)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To support a hub for research, policy, and advocacy on affordable housing.

ORGANIZATION: St. Joseph’s College is a small, residential liberal arts institution with campuses on Long Island and in Brooklyn. The College’s Center for Community Solutions was created in 2014 to research and address interconnected social issues that affect quality of life. It has several institutes to address specific issues including health and wellness, ethics and social justice, and religion in community life. In 2015, the Long Island Community Foundation and a housing task force it convened to oversee an affordable housing initiative decided that St. Joseph’s College would be a suitable venue to expand the initiative. The Institute for Attainable Homes was established at the Center as a permanent hub for continued collaborative work, resource development, and technical support to advance affordable and equitable housing.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Long Island continues to experience a shortage of affordable and accessible housing, segregated communities, and limited multi-family rental housing, which disproportionately affects low-income and other marginalized groups across the region. This crisis is most evident in the housing cost burden of Long Island renters, 56 percent of whom are paying more than half of their household income on housing. While studies indicate that 60 percent of Long Islanders want more affordable housing options, the opponents are loud and influential and there hasn’t been a centralized and coordinated regional response to counter the resistance.

RESULTS OF NOVEMBER 2016 GRANT: St. Joseph’s College continued to build the
infrastructure and capacity of the Institute for Attainable Homes by diversifying its advisory board, maintaining its website, assembling students and faculty to assist with Institute projects, and identifying funding sources. It held bimonthly advisory committee meetings to work on agreed-upon priorities and successfully reached consensus on a set of proposed amendments to the Workforce Housing Act, which will be introduced for inclusion in the 2018 New York State legislative session. St. Joseph’s also developed an affordable housing toolkit and asset map to show where affordable housing currently exists. Significant leadership changes delayed its progress to modify the webpage and social media accounts; these tasks will be completed along with the college’s rebranding in early 2018. Finally, the College prepared a strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats analysis for inclusion in its strategic plan and for use by the advisory committee to define priorities and activities. The retreat was postponed from the summer to spring 2018 to include the new college president.

**NEW GRANT:** This year, St. Joseph’s College will hire a coordinator to manage the operations of the Institute for Attainable Homes; promote its priorities; and solidify strategic alliances between the college and its partners. The Institute will participate in various campaigns designed to address the affordable housing crisis on Long Island, including introducing the agreed-upon amendments to the Long Island Workforce Housing Act in 2018. It will continue to build public support for affordable, multi-family housing by increasing its base of allies and making presentations to elected and municipal officials, schools and civic organizations, and chambers of commerce. The Institute will continue to facilitate regular advisory committee meetings, interim working group meetings, and host an annual retreat to review yearly goals, and plan for the following year. It will increase its dissemination of research, data, policy updates, and other pertinent information related to affordable and fair housing. Finally, it will launch the new Institute webpage and continue to identify funding sources. Staff recommendations for ongoing LICF support will determine on the college’s ability to identify additional sources of funding.

**PROJECT FUNDING:** The one-year project budget is $57,000: $45,000 for staff and $12,000 for program expenses, including meetings, supplies, professional development and marketing. The college is providing $12,000 in in-kind support, and will use general operating funds to cover shortfalls. St. Joseph’s College’s annual operating budget is $109 million.
**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** 2015 - $40,000; 2016 - $20,000.

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**FUND STRATEGY:**

LICF and Henry Shepard Funds: Both unrestricted.

Charles J. Williams Fund: Poor in Village of Patchogue.

November 2017
S. Jones
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

RECIPIENT: UNIONDALE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST, INC.
Paul Gibson – Board Chair
Joseph D’Lando – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 for THIRD YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized March 2015)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To continue building the organizational capacity to acquire and rehabilitate vacant properties in Uniondale for affordable housing.

ORGANIZATION: Uniondale is an ethnically and racially diverse, middle-income area in the town of Hempstead, with the second highest foreclosure rate in Nassau County. In 2010, the Greater Uniondale Area Action Coalition, comprised of local community groups and institutions, researched community land trusts to address the foreclosure crisis and promote diverse housing options. Community land trusts acquire and retain land in trust for the benefit of the community in perpetuity and are committed to stewardship and affordability of the land as well as housing and other buildings on it. After the town of Hempstead adopted the community’s vision plan in 2012, the Uniondale Community Land Trust (UCLT) was incorporated with a representative board.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Long Island had the highest foreclosure rates in New York State during the recent mortgage crisis and continues to experience high rates even as the housing market is rebounding across the country. Communities with large populations of black and Hispanic residents were disproportionately affected by the crisis because they were more likely to receive subprime mortgages. Several of these communities are now faced with a surplus of properties that are pre-foreclosed and vacant or have completed the foreclosure process and remain unoccupied for extended periods of time. Vacant properties depress neighboring property values, cause blight, and invite criminal activity.
RESULTS OF JULY 2016 GRANT: Uniondale Land Trust’s Board of Directors approved a ground lease that states the terms for homeowner purchase and sale through the Land Trust. It finalized a memorandum of understanding with Habitat for Humanity Nassau County, outlining the terms of their partnership for new construction projects. Along with the Long Island Housing Partnership, it applied for and was awarded a $216,000 grant from the Enterprise Community Partners for acquisition, rehabilitation, and operations as part of the Attorney General’s larger program to support community land trusts across New York State. It acquired its first foreclosed property through the National Community Stabilization Trust’s First Look Program, which enables local housing organizations to bid on real estate owned properties before they are made available to the public. It was approved by the Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development to receive HOME Investment Partnership Program fund to assist with rehabilitation costs. The UCLT developed an agreement with the Housing Partnership for financing assistance through its Community Development Financial Institution and to qualify prospective homeowners. It applied for Community Housing Development Organization status, a special nonprofit designation for organizations that develop affordable housing which is necessary to draw down the HOME funds. The UCLT was awarded a Community Land Trust Capacity Initiative by Grounded Solutions Network, which provides in-depth organizational development including a strategic plan and business plan which will be presented to its board for approval in the fall of 2017. The UCLT has created several subcommittees to oversee different aspects of its work including a rapid response team that can inspect available properties quickly. It continues to work with Hofstra University’s students and faculty on legal documents, real estate templates, and research including sidewalk surveys of properties, and on the development of a real-time tracking and mapping system of foreclosed, vacant properties and county tax delinquencies. Finally, UCLT continued to build its infrastructure and added three new members to its board including a member of the clergy, a local realtor, and a resident.

NEW GRANT: The UCLT will hire a project coordinator to manage the rehabilitation of the property it acquired, including working with an architect, engineer, and contractor; coordinating with the Town’s Building Department; and conducting routine inspections. It will work with the Housing Partnership on income and mortgage screenings, training and orientation for prospective homeowners on the community land trust model and homeownership savings plans, and on
UNIONDALE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST (Cont.)

developing an affirmative marketing plan. As required by the HOME funds, the newly acquired property will be sold by mid-2019. The UCLT will continue efforts to acquire additional properties through the open market, the Nassau County Land Bank (a not for profit corporation established by Nassau County to purchase and resell abandoned properties), and the National Community Stabilization Fund. It will continue to seek financing from the Housing Partnership, the Leviticus Fund, and other sources to complete the financing needed for the acquisition and rehabilitation of additional properties. It will complete a financial monitoring system that will help the organization strengthen its financial management. It will continue to update its property mapping system and share the information with Nassau County, the Town of Hempstead, the Uniondale Fire and Police Departments.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year operating budget is $61,000: $50,000 for salaries, $7,500 for program expenses, and $3,500 for administration. It has raised $5,500 in membership fees and contributions, and $30,500 from Enterprise Community Partners. It continues to fundraise to cover the budget. Uniondale Land Trust’s annual operating budget is $140,000.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2015 - $20,000; 2016 - $20,000.

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FUND STRATEGY: Both unrestricted.

November 2017
S. Jones
**COMMUNITY RESPONSE**

**RECIPIENT:** LONG ISLAND PROGRESSIVE COALITION  
90 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Massapequa, NY 11758  
(516) 541-1006  
Paul Markelson – Board Chair  
Lisa Tyson – Paid Staff Head

**AMOUNT:** $20,000 (one year)

**PURPOSE OF GRANT:** To promote worker cooperatives on Long Island.

**NATURE OF PROJECT:** Long Island is home to some of the wealthiest people in the country. Nonetheless, poverty is steadily increasing, with 6.7 percent of Long Islanders now living below the federal poverty level – the highest percentage since the data was first collected in 1959. Economists estimate that with a cost of living adjustment, the figure is actually closer to 10 percent, and nears 21 percent for single, female-headed households. Most poor residents are low-wage workers that receive no health insurance, sick days, or pension plans from their employers, leaving them with little hope for economic mobility. Worker cooperatives are collectively owned and governed by employees, and have been proven effective in creating and maintaining sustainable, dignified, higher-salaried jobs; generating wealth; improving the quality of life of workers; and promoting local economic development. Most cooperatives are established small businesses sold to employees by previous owners.

A regional affiliate of Citizen Action of New York, the Long Island Progressive Coalition is a grassroots community organization founded in 1978 that promotes economic, social, and racial justice through campaigns on education equity, workers’ rights, environmental justice, and affordable and fair housing. It has effective working relationships with unions, business, developers, congregations, school boards, and elected officials and a membership of over 600 that it involves through outreach meetings, house parties, community canvassing, and phone banking. For two years, the Progressive Coalition has worked with local universities, economic development agencies, workers’ rights advocates, and business leaders to raise awareness, gather research, and build support for a worker cooperative movement on Long Island.

The Progressive Coalition is working with SEPA Mujer, a workers’ rights organization, and The Working World, an expert in building and financing worker cooperatives, to explore opportunities for SEPA’s members to start a worker-owned cleaning company. The Coalition also has identified two businesses interested in converting to cooperatives. Building on these efforts, this year, Progressive Coalition will:

- produce a catalogue of businesses interested in converting to cooperatives;
train business owners, economic development agencies, business associations, and social justice groups about cooperatives and the tax benefits of a conversion;
create a written conversion guide for businesses; and
organize legal, accounting, and financial support, as well as management experts to help develop new cooperatives or convert existing businesses.

The project budget is $125,000: $121,000 for salaries, $2,200 for project expenses, and $1,800 for overhead. The Coalition has raised $50,000 from the Babylon Industrial Development Agency (the first municipal agency on Long Island to support worker cooperatives), and $50,000 is pending from the Suffolk County Industrial Development Agency, leaving a balance of $25,000. The organization continues to fund raise.

Worker cooperatives can reduce economic inequality by boosting career mobility, seeding homegrown job opportunities, and building community wealth. Through shared risk, cooperatives make business ownership possible for entrepreneurs of all backgrounds, and can preserve the region’s small businesses and save local jobs. We recommend a one-year grant of $20,000 to the Long Island Progressive Coalition to further develop cooperatives on Long Island.

Long Island Progressive Coalition’s annual operating budget is $492,000.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2012 - $20,000 (LIUU); 2015 – 20,000; 2015 - $15,000 (LIUU).

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FUND STRATEGY: Both unrestricted.
CONSERVATION & ENVIRONMENT

RECIPIENT: ALL OUR ENERGY, INC.
PO Box 381
Point Lookout, NY 11569
(516) 595-9463
George Povall – Board Chair
(Funds administrator – Citizens Campaign for the Environment)

AMOUNT: $17,500 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To eliminate single-use plastic bags and other pollution in Nassau County.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Single-use plastic bags are detrimental to the environment and expensive to dispose of and clean up. They often end up in oceans and other bodies of water resulting in the death of thousands of marine mammals, or as litter that, clogs storm drains and damages infrastructure. Additionally, plastic bags require vast amounts of natural resources to manufacture and transport and take hundreds of years to degrade in landfills. As a result, increasing numbers of municipalities, businesses, and individuals have made the switch to reusable bags. On Long Island, more than fifty independent stores have pledged to stop using plastic bags, and Suffolk County, along with six of its towns and villages, has passed legislation prohibiting plastic bags. However, businesses and municipalities remain concerned about inconveniencing customers, and many residents remain unaware of the hazards, or just forget to bring reusable bags.

All Our Energy is a nonprofit organization created in 2014 to educate and encourage Long Islanders to advocate for environmental protection strategies. In just three years, it has already hosted 75 public events to raise awareness about off shore wind projects, solar power, composting, energy efficiency, and the hazards of single-use disposable bags. It has a membership of more than 2,000 residents, nonprofits, and civic organizations and a sizeable and active volunteer corps. Working with other environmental organizations, All Our Energy mobilized the public to stop efforts to build a controversial liquefied natural-gas terminal off the coast Long Beach. It also launched a public outreach and education campaign for the elimination of plastic bags in Long Beach, leading to the first reusable bag ordinance in Nassau County.

This year, All Our Energy will lead a campaign designed to educate residents, change public behavior, and garner support for similar policies in other Nassau County municipalities. It will:
• launch public education campaigns in four municipalities, developing local outreach strategies and creating leadership teams that will co-host public events;
• meet with local legislators to develop reusable bag policies;
• encourage local businesses to support and publicize reusable bags; and
• provide reusable bags to soup kitchens, food pantries, and other organizations to distribute to their clients.

The project budget is $55,000: $32,000 for staff and $23,000 for project expenses, including supplies and materials, marketing and advertising, and printing and copying. Revenue of $5,000 has been raised from contributions and product sales. Proposals totaling $25,000 are pending with Patagonia and Sierra Club Long Island, leaving a balance of $25,000. It will continue to fundraise.

Replacing single-use plastic bags with reusable ones is healthier for the environment, cost effective, and reduces litter. However, disposable bags are convenient for consumers, requiring public education to gain their support and change their behavior. We recommend a one-year grant of $17,500 to build the public and political will to reduce the use of disposable bags.

All Our Energy’s annual operating budget is $60,000.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: None.

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FUND STRATEGY: To protect and conserve the environment through organizations working nationally and internationally to minimize climate changes; preserve biological diversity; and reduce or eliminate the toxins that are hazardous to human health, including protecting the quality of drinking water and brownfield redevelopment.

November 2017
S. Jones
CONSERVATION & ENVIRONMENT

RECIPIENT: CITIZENS CAMPAIGN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
Stephen Fuoco – Board Chair
Adrienne Esposito - Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $22,500 for SECOND YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized July 2016)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: For continued support of a campaign to ban products containing the chemical 1,4-dioxane.

ORGANIZATION: Since 1988, Citizens Campaign Fund for the Environment has provided scientific information, research, and education programs to protect the environment and public health in New York State and Connecticut. Together with its partner, Citizens Campaign for the Environment, an 80,000-member advocacy and public outreach organization, the Fund has led many successful campaigns resulting in: the protection and restoration of Long Island’s three major estuaries; the passage of Safe School Grounds legislation prohibiting the use of pesticides on school lawns; and the passage of the first municipal laws in New York banning single-use disposable plastic bags at checkout counters in three Long Island villages. With Kraft Family Memorial Fund support, it educated and mobilized the public to insist on public notification when raw sewage and industrial waste is spilled into local waterways; released New York’s first Sewer Scorecard resulting in commitments by Long Island municipalities to take remedial action; and published Long Island’s first Recycling Report Card. Citizens Campaign Fund has taken a lead role organizing Long Island’s Water Quality Campaign, a comprehensive effort that has resulted in policies and investment to protect the region’s surface waters and aquifer.
PROBLEM STATEMENT: 1,4-dioxane is a chemical found in almost half of personal care products including detergents, shampoos, cosmetics, deodorants, body lotion, and baby bath products. It is classified by the Environmental Protection Agency as “likely to be carcinogenic” and is listed as a hazardous air pollutant under the Clean Air Act. 1,4-dioxane is generally not biodegradable and is highly portable, moving quickly into ground and surface water. Conventional water treatment technologies do not effectively remove it. A national study released in 2015 reported that 1,4-dioxane was found in 92 percent of public water systems that were tested on Long Island; 72 percent of the systems exceeded the Environmental Protection Agency’s health reference standard of .35 parts per billion for drinking water. The study, which looked at 4,400 water supply systems across the nation, found the highest detected levels on Long Island.

RESULTS OF JULY 2016 GRANT: Citizens Campaign wrote a report quantifying the extent of 1,4-dioxane contamination in drinking water supplies and launched an interactive online map to inform policymakers and the public. It worked at local, state, and federal levels to raise awareness of 1,4-dioxane and is continuing to build support to get the chemical removed from products and establish a statewide drinking water standard for this known carcinogen. It also has prompted significant policy changes in New York, including: testing of all state superfund sites for 1,4-dioxane; funding for a pilot system for municipal water wells to filter out 1,4-dioxane; and mandatory testing of waste water at three laundromats as a condition of their discharge permits from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. The heightened awareness brought about by Citizens Campaign represents a major shift from a year ago when
policy makers and the public were unfamiliar with 1,4-dioxane as a threat to Long Island’s drinking water.

NEW GRANT: Protecting Long Island’s aquifer from 1,4-dioxane requires both the removal of existing and the prevention of new contamination. As there is limited independent testing for 1,4-dioxane in personal care products, and the Food and Drug Administration does not require 1,4-dioxane to be listed as an ingredient on product labels because the chemical is a contaminant produced during manufacturing, not intentionally added, the public is unable to choose products that are safer for themselves and the environment. This year Citizens Campaign will independently test twenty of the most popular personal care products (laundry detergents, dish soaps, and baby bath products) for 1,4-dioxane levels. It will release a report on its findings and will use the data to develop a safe shopper product guide. The organization also will continue efforts to ban the sale of products containing 1,4-dioxane at both the state and federal levels.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year project budget is $55,000: $42,500 for staff and $7,500 for project expenses, including independent laboratory testing, printing and copying, and $5,000 in overhead. Revenue of $15,000 has been raised from membership income. A grant in the amount of $5,000 has been committed and a $10,000 grant request is pending, leaving a balance of $25,000. It will continue to fundraise.

Identifying common household products that contain 1,4-dioxane is a major step toward empowering the public in safeguarding their health and that of our regions sole source aquifer. We recommend a one-year grant of $22,500.
Citizens Campaign Fund for the Environment’s annual operating budget is $790,000.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2012 - $25,000; 2013 - $20,000; 2015 - $20,000; 2016 - $25,000.

FUND SOURCE: Henry Philip Kraft Memorial Fund (L1304) $271,000
ANNUAL BUDGETED INCOME $22,500
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FUND STRATEGY: To protect and conserve the environment through organizations working nationally and internationally to minimize climate changes; preserve biological diversity; and reduce or eliminate the toxins that are hazardous to human health, including protecting the quality of drinking water and brownfield redevelopment.

November 2017
S. Jones
CONSERVATION & ENVIRONMENT

RECIPIENT: GROUP FOR THE EAST END
PO Box 1792
54895 Main Road
Southold, NY 11971
(631) 765-6450
Katherine Leahy Birch – Board Chair
Robert S. DeLuca – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To encourage East End residents to upgrade septic systems that will reduce nitrogen entering ground and surface waters.

NATURE OF PROJECT: According to scientists from Stony Brook University, nitrogen from household cesspool and septic systems is the leading cause of degraded water quality and catalyst of harmful algae blooms that have exploded in Long Island’s bays and ponds over the past several decades. The vast majority of households in Suffolk County are connected to these systems, which are little more than underground holes into which wastewater is flushed. On Long Island’s East End, many cesspools and septic tanks are within groundwater tables that flow directly into bays and ponds, causing massive fish kills, beach closures, toxic algae blooms of rust and brown tide, and closing of shellfish areas.

Although conventional wastewater systems are relatively inexpensive to install/replace (approximately $5,000), advanced wastewater systems that reduce excess nitrogen are considerably more expensive (approximately $18,000). Therefore, despite the environmental benefits, residents have been reluctant to embrace the new technology even when existing systems are failing and require replacement. As a result, New York State, Suffolk County and two of the five East End towns (Southampton and East Hampton) have established grant, loan, and rebate programs to reduce the initial installation cost and encourage homeowners to install advanced wastewater systems.

Since 1972, Group for the East End, formerly Group for the South Fork, has worked to preserve the rural character, economic base, drinking water, and wildlife habitats of the region through strategic partnerships, targeted advocacy, and public education campaigns. Some of its most notable accomplishments include: persuading Suffolk County to preserve fragile habitat parcels and more than 5,000 acres of farmland; successfully advocating for drinking water protection strategies to prohibit development near sensitive ecosystems; and leading the campaigns to pass the Long Island Pine Barrens Protection and the Community Preservation Fund Acts, which together protect more than 60,000 acres of critical groundwater recharge lands.
from development. In collaboration with the Department of Environmental Conservation and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, it works to protect the osprey, piping plover, and tern – all threatened species. It also is a founding member of the Clean Water Campaign to develop Island-wide solutions to mitigate the decline of surface and ground water quality.

Group for the East End will launch an outreach and awareness campaign to encourage residents to install advanced water waste systems. The campaign will target all East End residents (88,000 households), with a focus on those living within the county’s “Priority Critical Areas,” defined as high and medium density residential parcels of less than one acre located within the zero to 25-year groundwater-to-surface water travel time, as outlined in the Suffolk County Comprehensive Water Resources Management Plan. This year Group for the East End will:

- inform the public about the technology, costs, and funding mechanisms associated with advanced septic systems through community presentations, mailings, social media, newspaper articles, radio ads, and public service announcements; and
- collaborate with government officials to identify additional funding sources at the Town level to supplement the County incentive program.

The project budget is $72,000: $27,000 for staff and $45,000 for project expenses, including printing and copying, marketing and advertising, and postage. The agency has raised $8,000 from contributions, and the Rauch and Robins Island Foundations have committed $40,000, leaving a balance of $24,000. It will continue to fundraise.

Reducing nitrogen from wastewater sources is the cornerstone of water quality improvements on Long Island. Replacing thousands of decades-old cesspools and septic systems with new state-of-the-art ones offers the best hope to reduce and diminish the flow of nitrogen that impairs water quality and feeds algae blooms. We recommend a one-year grant of $20,000.

Group for the East Ends’ annual operating budget is $1.3 million.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2015 - $2,500 (AFTEE); 2015 - $20,000; 2016 - $2,500 (AFTEE).

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November 2017
S. Jones
CONSERVATION & ENVIRONMENT

RECIPIENT:  LONG ISLAND PINE BARRENS SOCIETY
Alan Singer – Board Chair
Richard Amper – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT:  $20,000 for FIFTH YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized November 2011)

PURPOSE OF GRANT:  For a multi-year campaign to create a Long Island Water Quality Protection Plan.

NOTE:  A portion of this grant will be used for lobbying: $2,500 for direct lobbying.

ORGANIZATION:  Founded in 1977, the Long Island Pine Barrens Society has used scientific research, public education, advocacy, and legal intervention, to preserve the 100-acre Pine Barrens and other state-designated special groundwater protection areas. In 2011, the Society and four of Long Island’s prominent environmental organizations began a multi-year advocacy, education, and organizing campaign to reverse declining water quality. The Society’s primary focus has been to oversee the public communications and media strategy to generate support for infrastructure improvements and increased investments.

PROBLEM STATEMENT:  Long Island’s aquifers store the sole source of fresh drinking water for 2.8 million residents, and its surface waters sustain a billion-dollar recreation and tourism industry. But Long Island’s water quality is declining due to nitrogen pollution, causing beach and fishing closures and the decline of marine habitat. In addition, nitrogen, pesticides, industrial chemicals, and pharmaceuticals have leached into ground water. No regional enforcement agency provides consistent management, regulation, or oversight of the aquifer, and as a result, clean water standards regulated by state and federal agencies are not being met. Despite the urgency of this situation and growing attention and commitment from local and state legislators, many Long Islanders remain unaware of how they might help to protect the quality of this valuable resource.
RESULTS OF JULY 2016 GRANT: The Society organized a two-day “Clean Water Strategy Session” with more than 50 participants representing government, business, civic, and scientific communities to discuss development of a comprehensive water protection plan. It led a campaign that encouraged the nearly 80 percent of the electorate in Long Island’s five east end towns who voted for the extension and expansion of the Community Preservation Fund through 2050 – allowing up to 20 percent of revenues to be used to improve water quality. It successfully participated in lobbying efforts for water quality infrastructure funding in the New York State 2017-2018 budget, providing $2.5 billion for water quality funding across the state, including $75 million for septic and cesspool replacement, $110 million for protecting water at its source, and $50 million for green infrastructure projects. The Society played a key role in advancing Suffolk County’s Septic Improvement Program that provides subsidies to replace outdated wastewater systems with state of the art nitrogen removing septic systems. It also organized the sixth annual “Water We Going To Do?” conference to update community leaders and government officials on Island-wide efforts to restore water quality. Finally, it continued to update the Long Island Clean Water Partnership website to inform and engage the public in actions to protect this vital resource.

NEW GRANT: The Society will continue to work with legislators to ensure maximum state funding for water quality infrastructure and improvements on Long Island. It will work with the county to establish a Water Quality Improvement District in Suffolk and educate the public on its benefits. It will lead outreach efforts to increase public understanding of the need to replace antiquated septic systems with new nitrogen-removing technology, and promote the Suffolk County Septic Improvement Program and the Community Preservation Fund Septic Rebate Program. Finally, the Society will continue to draft and revise the Long Island nitrogen action plan that is to be completed by 2019.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year program budget is $175,000: $125,000 for personnel and professional fees and $50,000 for project expenses, including marketing and advertising, printing and copying, and telecommunications. It has received $75,000 from the Rauch Foundation, has $50,000 pending with the Dolan Family Foundation, and will continue to fundraise.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2013 - $20,000; 2015 - $20,000; 2016 - $25,000.
LONG ISLAND PINE BARRENS SOCIETY (Cont.)

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November 2017
D. Okorn
EDUCATION

RECIPIENT: COMMUNITY ACTION SOUTHOLD TOWN
316 Front Street, PO Box 159
Greenport, NY 11944
(631) 477-1717
Helen Finnigan – Board Chair
Catherine Demeroto – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: For a research-proven home visiting program to increase literacy and school readiness of young children from low-income families in the Town of Southold.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Academic achievement gaps between children from low-income families and their more affluent peers begin early and persist, leading to unequal educational attainment, employment, income, and social mobility. By age three, children from disadvantaged families have heard 30 million fewer words, are more likely to watch television, and less likely to be read to by their caregivers or exposed to other learning opportunities. The deficient learning environment, coupled with poor nutrition and other stressors related to living in poverty, limits the development of language and literacy skills, numeracy, and social and emotional skills. Children enter school significantly behind their middle and higher income peers. Research shows that increasing parent-child verbal interaction from birth through age five can have profound effects on children’s academic performance, especially those whose first language is not English. However, many impoverished families are not informed of the importance of verbal communication in the early years or even how to support their young children’s brain development.

Latino immigrants make up 30 percent of the East End of Long Island’s year-round population and 40 percent of the student body of its public schools. Many of these families live far below the poverty level, have unstable housing conditions, and are disconnected from the local community. Inadequate public transportation and language barriers make it difficult for Latino parents to get health and human services for their children. In addition, despite growing needs, there are scant low-cost early learning programs.

Established in 1965, Community Action Southold Town is the leading nonprofit social service provider for low-income residents in the Town of Southold. Through direct services, advocacy, and case management, it helps people achieve housing, food, and income stability and become self-sufficient. It also offers out-of-school time academic enrichment programs for school-aged children. In 2013, Community Action Southold began the North Fork Parent-Child Home Program, based on a proven national model that uses home visits by early learning specialists to educate parents on the importance of parent-child interaction and give them the
tools (books and educational toys), skills, and encouragement to engage their children in conversation, reading, and other skill-building activities. Longitudinal studies show that children who participate in this program are 50 percent more likely to measure ready for kindergarten, have 30 percent higher graduation rates than their socio-economic peers, and are 50 percent less likely to be referred to special education services by the third grade. Most of the families served by the Community Action Southold Town are Latino.

This year, Community Action Southold Town will:

- provide intensive, weekly home visits to 45 underserved families with children between the ages of 16 months and four years who are challenged by poverty, isolation, language and literacy barriers, and other obstacles to healthy development and educational success;
- show parents how to advocate for their children and accesses needed community services and supports; and
- help families enroll in high-quality, center-based preschool.

The project budget is $70,000: $58,500 for staff, $8,500 for supplies, and $3,000 for administration. Revenue of $25,000 has been committed by Bank of America, and $1,000 has been raised through individual contributions. The organization has proposals totaling $11,500 pending with M&T and Bridgehampton National Banks, and the Rotary Club. It will continue to fund raise to complete the budget.

Predictors of a child's future success in school and in life begin during the earliest years of development. Although the effects of poverty can have harmful effects on young children, parents that are empowered to support their children can help mitigate the risks and improve their children’s life outcomes. We recommend a one-year grant of $20,000.

Community Action Southold Town’s annual operating budget is $377,150.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2014 - $2,500 (AFTEE); 2015 - $2,500 (AFTEE); 2016 - $2,500 (AFTEE).

FUND SOURCE: ANNUAL BUDGETED INCOME USED FOR THIS GRANT
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LICF Annual Fund (L101) 6,000 6,000
Phyllis Vineyard Fund (L158) 6,000 $20,000
FUND STRATEGY:

Cumulus Long Island and LICF Funds: Both unrestricted.

Phyllis Vineyard Fund: Maternal and child health care, including services, prevention and education.

November 2017
S. Jones
EDUCATION

RECIPIENT: GIRLS INCORPORATED OF LONG ISLAND
Ryan Reilly/Kathy Wisnewski – Board Co-chairs
Renee Flagler – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $25,000 for FOURTH YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized November 2013)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To provide life skills and academic enrichment programs for girls in Central Islip and Wyandanch middle schools.

ORGANIZATION: Girls Incorporated of Long Island was founded in 2005 as an affiliate of the national Girls Incorporated, a nonprofit organization that empowers girls to reach their full potential. Girls Inc. provides school and community programs for girls ages 5 to 18 who live in some of Suffolk County’s poorest communities. It uses research-proven curricula to help girls achieve academically, gain financial literacy, lead healthy and physically active lives, and manage media messages. Since its inception, Girls Inc. has worked in middle and high schools from seven high-need school districts and reached more than 2,000 girls.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: For girls, the middle school years can be overwhelming due to shifts in academic demands and responsibilities, rapid body transformations, and changes in role, status, and interpersonal relationships. As a result, it is a period that often sees increased referrals to mental health services; decreased academic performance and attendance problems; the start of smoking, alcohol, and drug use; and damage to self-esteem. The situation is more profound for girls from lower-income neighborhoods where excessive family responsibilities and community violence can intensify stress. Recently, teenage boys and girls in Central Islip have been targets of violent gang-related deaths; the under-resourced community and school district have few supports to help girls maintain a positive self-image and healthy study habits in the midst of this trauma.

RESULTS OF NOVEMBER 2016 GRANT: Girls Inc. ran after-school programs at two middle schools in Central Islip and one middle school in Freeport, serving 36 girls. The girls
participated in workshops on financial literacy, media literacy, leadership development, bullying prevention, and health and nutrition awareness facilitated by women presenters. The organization also hosted career panels at each school where female university students majoring in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields and STEM professionals shared their experiences. In partnership with Molloy College, Girls Inc. organized their annual Girl’s Empowerment Conference, during which girls from its middle and high school programs joined in a STEM workshop and discussed non-traditional career options, leadership, goal attainment, and safety with twenty Long Island female business professionals. During the 2016 presidential election, girls participated in the She Votes! Program, including a series of workshops and activities at public libraries, to educate them about the political process and how it affects their lives. The girls also met women who work in government within their own communities and participated in a national online mock presidential election. Girls Inc. held its second International Day of the Girl event, which brought girls from across Long Island together at Patchogue-Medford High School to discuss gender inequality and ways to eliminate barriers to education locally and globally. Finally, it ran its annual STEM Camp at Brookhaven National Labs, which included two weekly sessions during which a total of 74 girls worked with scientists and engineers on experiments and STEM exploration in scientific computing (week one) and biotechnology (week two). Girls Inc. served 100 girls through these programs.

NEW GRANT: Girls Inc. will continue to operate afterschool programs in two Central Islip middle schools; however, because Freeport School District’s funding (21 Century Community Learning Grant) was not renewed, it is unable to host Girls, Inc. programs this year. Therefore, the organization will relocate that program to Milton Olive Middle School in Wyandanch, which has been identified as “struggling” by New York State Education Department’s receivership program. Although the school has made some demonstrable progress, Wyandanch is identified as a high-need community with minimal opportunities available to youth, especially girls. The group will organize a third International Day of the Girl event for participants of its middle and high school programs, host its annual Girl’s Empowerment Conference at Molloy College, and continue the summer STEM Camp at Brookhaven National Lab. Girls Inc. will again reach 100 middle school girls through its afterschool programs, summer camp, and conferences.
PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year program budget is $223,000: $147,000 for personnel; $65,000 for program expenses, including travel and meetings, supplies and materials, and transportation; and $11,000 for administration. The organization has raised $40,000 in special events, $46,000 in fees, $28,000 in individual and business contributions, $19,000 from People’s United and Knapp Swezey Foundations and $10,000 in government grants, leaving a balance of $80,000. It has proposals totaling $50,000 pending with several foundations and will use general operating support to cover shortfalls. We recommend a grant of $25,000.

The organization’s operating budget is $381,000.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2013 - $25,000; 2015 - $22,000; 2016 - $20,000.

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FUND STRATEGY:
Greentree Fund: Unrestricted.
DeWitt Wallace Fund for Youth: Learning and enrichment opportunities for children and youth to help them develop their full potential for productive adulthood (STEM).

November 2017
T. Thomas
EDUCATION

RECIPIENT:  i-tri: Inspirational Triathlon Racing International
Judi Caron – Board Chair
Theresa Roden – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 for SECOND YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized March 2016)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To continue to build self-esteem and healthy habits for middle school girls on the East End of Long Island.

ORGANIZATION: Located on the East End of Long Island, i-tri: Inspirational Triathlon Racing International started in 2010 with eight middle school girls at risk for self-destructive behaviors. Inspired by her own transformative experience completing a triathlon, the founder helped the girls train for and compete in a youth distance triathlon, thereby increasing their self-confidence. All eight participants completed the triathlon, took on leadership roles while in high school, and matriculated to college in the fall of 2016. The program reaches more than 100 girls annually from six East End middle schools. It includes a comprehensive healthy life skills curriculum and triathlon-specific trainings conducted by professional teachers and coaches at no cost to the families. The result has been a dramatic increase in self-esteem evaluation scores for all participants. Ninety percent demonstrate a significant increase in fitness levels, and all demonstrate positive changes in their eating habits. In addition, 80 percent of alumnae return, while in high school, to participate as peer mentors or assistant coaches. The organization has been locally and nationally recognized as an innovative and effective program that changes the lives of adolescent girls.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Early adolescence is a time of dramatic change for girls: shifts in academic demands; rapid body transformations; and changes in interpersonal relationships can be overwhelming. As a result, middle school girls often have increased referrals to mental health services; decreased academic performance and motivation; and damage to self-esteem. The
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situation is compounded for girls from low-income neighborhoods where there often is limited parental involvement, frequent exposure to high risk behaviors and violence, and a lack of meaningful extracurricular opportunities. The challenges faced during this transition can have significant negative effects on future educational and career attainment.

RESULTS OF MARCH 2016 GRANT: i-tri provided weekly self-esteem and empowerment workshops, after-school fitness classes, family nutrition workshops, and triathlon-specific training to 135 girls and their families from Springs, Montauk, Southampton, Sag Harbor, East Hampton and William Floyd middle schools. It also organized the Hamptons Youth Triathlon, during which the girls completed a 300-yard open-water swim, 7-mile open road bike ride, and 1.5-mile run. It replaced its “Day of Beauty” program with a celebratory family picnic following the triathlon, which better aligns with its program goals of self-esteem and empowerment. Furthermore, i-tri continued to improve accessibility and streamlined its operations by creating an online registration system and translating all materials into Spanish. These changes improved recruitment and decreased the rate of girls that did not complete the program by 20 percent. Finally, the organization started its Girls Rock-It program, hosting panel discussion of women with careers in science followed by a screening of the film, “Hidden Figures.”

NEW GRANT: i-tri will provide after-school health and wellness workshops, family nutrition workshops, and triathlon training for 170 girls and their families from the same East End middle schools. All girls will be expected to participate in the Hamptons Youth Triathlon. The organization also will develop a strategic growth plan to build its capacity to serve girls from every school district in eastern Suffolk County.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year budget is $333,000: $202,000 for salaries; $96,000 for program supplies including equipment, communication software, and bus transportation; $21,000 in consulting fees; and $14,000 for administration. The organization has raised $37,000 from special events; $178,000 in individual and business contributions; $27,000 in donated services; $15,000 from Paddlers for Humanity; and $8,000 in corporate foundations. Applications for $6,000 in government grants are pending, leaving a balance of $62,000. i-tri will continue to fundraise. The organization’s annual operating budget is the same as the project budget.
I-TRI: INSPIRATIONAL TRIATHLON RACING INTERNATIONAL (Cont.)

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2014 - $2,500 (AFTEE); 2015 - $2,500 (AFTEE); 2016 - $15,000; 2016 - $2,500 (AFTEE).

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FUND STRATEGY: Learning and enrichment opportunities for children and youth.

November 2017
T. Thomas
EDUCATION

RECIPIENT: NEW YORK COMMUNITIES FOR CHANGE
Dorothy Amadi – Board Chair
Jonathan Westin – Paid Staff Head
(Funds Administrator: NY Communities Organizing Fund)

AMOUNT: $25,000 for FOURTH YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized July 2012)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To mobilize Village of Hempstead parents and students to advocate for education reforms.

ORGANIZATION: New York Communities for Change is a grassroots membership organization working in Long Island’s most distressed communities to cultivate indigenous leaders of color. It is one of the only groups doing grassroots organizing in the Village of Hempstead and unincorporated communities of color in the Town of Hempstead. With its nearly 700 dues-paying members, the organization launched successful campaigns around transportation equity, workers’ rights, tenants’ rights, and immigrants’ rights. After more than a decade of working to raise awareness and dismantle the ineffective and unresponsive Hempstead School Board, New York Communities for Change’s work has led to landmark achievements to improve accountability within the Hempstead School District such as the elections of new Board members for the first time in three decades, and the selection of a monitor to oversee the district’s enrollment reforms to remove barriers to immigrant children looking to enter school.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Hempstead’s schools have a long history of failing students, 96 percent of whom are black or Hispanic and 78 percent of whom receive free or reduced-price lunch. Decades of corruption have led to inappropriate and wasteful spending, political patronage, voter fraud in school board elections, discrimination against immigrants, a culture of intimidation among parents, and such severe academic underachievement that today, only 52 percent of its seniors are eligible to graduate, making it the lowest achieving district on Long Island. Less than
10 percent of fourth and eighth graders meet standards in English and math. Education advocates, including New York Communities for Change, have organized parents, students, and concerned residents to create a ‘reform coalition’ to insist on a complete school district reorganization. Resulting investigations by the New York State Attorney General, Nassau County District Attorney, and State Education Department have led to significant reforms in the school board elections, transparency and accountability of spending, and student enrollment policies for undocumented students. While there have been improvements in transparency and functions of the school board since 2014, its public meetings continue to be hostile and stressful, requiring the ongoing support of those board members that are trying to promote change.

RESULTS OF NOVEMBER 2015 GRANT: Through door canvassing and information sessions, New York Communities for Change and its members informed Village residents about issues affecting the school district, the track record of candidates running, and voting logistics in preparation for the May 2016 school board election; voter turnout doubled from the previous year. As a result of the agency’s outreach and education, three new community members ran for seats on the five-person board; one was elected, resulting in a majority of the board being new members. Another new member joined the district’s audit committee. To support and build the capacity of the school board members, New York Communities for Change worked with Annenberg Institute for School Reform at Brown University and Alliance for Quality Education to train them on education law, fiduciary duties, the role of the superintendent, the status of the Campaign for Fiscal Equity court decision, and the “school receivership” procedure for failing schools.

Through ongoing communication, New York Communities for Change increased its members’ participation at school board meetings with more than 100 members attending regularly. The organization also established a relationship with the Hempstead Classroom Teachers Association and facilitates monthly meetings to discuss common concerns. An increase in community participation and support enabled the new board to make progress towards improving the school district, including improving budget and contracting processes leading to a nearly $4 million surplus; hiring a new superintendent noted for improving struggling public schools in New York City; and the removal of Hempstead High School from failing status by the
State Education Department because it showed demonstrable improvement. Finally, New York Communities for Change worked with Local Progress, a network for progressive municipal elected officials, to create a Long Island network of school board members representing high need school districts.

**NEW GRANT:** This year, New York Communities for Change will continue to provide capacity-building training for school board members. It will train community members to serve as watchdogs at school board meetings, lead campaign efforts, and be prepared to run for public office. Through door knocking and information sessions, it will increase parent engagement at school events, parent teacher conferences, and school board meetings. In addition, the organization will meet with local community groups to encourage their participation in the school reform coalition. It will build public support and advocate for the adoption of a community schools strategy, which would coordinate social services such as health and mental health through the schools. Finally, it will continue to work with education advocates to call for adequate funding for schools in economically disadvantaged communities and to develop a Long Island coalition for educational reform to press for regional approaches to improving district and student outcomes.

**PROJECT FUNDING:** The one-year project budget is $90,000: $71,000 for staff, $14,000 for program expenses, and $5,000 for administration. New York Communities for Change has raised $35,000 in grants from Veatch, Hagedorn, and Hazen Foundations, and $10,000 in individual contributions and special events, leaving a balance of $45,000. Proposals are pending with other foundations. The organization’s annual operating budget is $961,000.

**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** 2012 - $7,500 (SANDY); 2012 - $25,000; 2013 - $25,000; 2013 - $15,000 (SANDY); 2015 - $25,000; 2015 - $20,000 (LIUU); 2016 - $20,000 (LIUU).
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### FUND STRATEGY:
Both unrestricted.

November 2017
S. Jones
HEALTH

RECIPIENT: LONG ISLAND MEDICAL FOUNDATION
d/b/a NuHealth Foundation
2201 Hempstead Turnpike
East Meadow, NY 11554
(516) 296-4934
Zaki Hossain – Board Chair
Linda J. Walsh – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $50,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To improve comprehensive services for underserved children with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Autism is a neurodevelopmental disorder typically characterized by problems with communication and social interaction, repetitive behaviors, and limited interests. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that nearly one in fifty children in the United States has an Autism Spectrum Disorder. The CDC considers Autism Spectrum Disorder to be the second most common serious disability (after intellectual disability) and a condition worthy of public health attention due to its impact on children, their families, and communities. Studies documenting racial, ethnic, and socio-economic disparities in the timely diagnosis of autism and the availability of services, that dramatically affect children’s outcomes. These findings collectively support the theory that children living in poorer or less well-educated areas are being diagnosed with autism at lower rates because they have less access to health care providers who could make the diagnosis and provide needed support.

Nassau University Medical Center is a 530-bed, tertiary-care teaching hospital that has been the primary source of medical care for millions of Nassau County residents since 1935. It is also the core of NuHealth – a health system committed to delivering coordinated medical care and disease and lifestyle management to all, regardless of their ability to pay. For more than sixty years, Nassau University Medical Center has maintained a strong commitment to medical education. It is academically affiliated with North Shore-LIJ Health System, Health Sciences Center of the State University of New York at Stony Brook, New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, New York College of Podiatric Medicine, American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine, and the Hofstra University School of Medicine. It also has strong relationships with many local nonprofit health and human service providers.

This year, to improve its early detection of autism in low-income families, NuHealth will:

- hire a part-time family service coordinator to manage intake, follow-up, and program evaluation;
• hire a consulting psychologist who will provide medical evaluations and diagnoses;
• screen children and adolescents for autism at Nassau University Medical Centers Developmental Pediatrics Clinic; and
• create a model to partner health care providers with nonprofit health and human service agencies to provide comprehensive, multidisciplinary care.

Early detection can provide an autistic child with the potential to live a more normal life. Children with autism who receive appropriate education and support at key developmental stages are more likely to gain essential social skills and function better in society. We recommend a one-year grant of $50,000 to Long Island Medical Foundation to improve autism screening and service delivery for low-income children and families.

The project budget is $64,000: $39,000 for staff and $25,000 for project expenses, such as travel and meetings, printing and copying. Revenue of $14,000 has been raised through in-kind support, leaving a balance of $50,000.

The medical center’s annual operating budget is $559 million.

**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** None.

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**FUND STRATEGY:** Hospitals in Nassau County.

November 2017
D. Okorn
RECIPIENT: HEALTH AND WELFARE COUNCIL OF LONG ISLAND

Robert E. Detor – Board Chair
Rebecca Sanin – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $25,000 for SECOND YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized March 2016)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To increase participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

ORGANIZATION: Established in 1947, the Health and Welfare Council of Long Island is a regional nonprofit membership organization for health and human service providers. The Council convenes and supports social service organizations; directs advocacy, research, and policy analysis; and provides services, information, and education. The Council serves nearly 50,000 vulnerable Long Islanders annually by enrolling families and seniors in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; providing education and referrals for nutrition, school lunch, and summer feeding programs; and enrolling children and adults in health insurance programs.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program serves as the first line of defense against hunger, providing low-income families with resources to purchase food. An important safety net for children, elderly, and the disabled, the program also has become an increasingly important support for the working poor. It keeps millions of people from falling into poverty each year and prevents millions more from falling deeper into poverty. Although there are more than 185,000 Long Island residents whose incomes potentially qualify them for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits, only 158,000 are currently enrolled.

RESULTS OF MARCH 2016 GRANT: The Council partnered with Cohen’s Children Medical Center’s pediatric practice, the Pediatric Health Center at NuHealth, federally-qualifed health centers in Roosevelt and Westbury, and several Women, Infants, and Children health program
administrators in Nassau and Suffolk counties, to identify, prescreen, and help individuals apply for benefits. As a result, 450 new applications and 240 annual recertifications were approved. The Council also developed a comprehensive report that documents best practices and lessons learned for outreach and education, which will be shared with other organizations, including the use of social media, ensuring language access, and waiting room and reception area signage.

NEW GRANT: The Council will expand its work integrating Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program outreach, education, referral, and application assistance within healthcare systems and will engage all Women, Infants and Children program providers in Nassau and Suffolk counties. It will generate 500 referrals and complete a minimum of 200 new applications for individuals seeking benefits, and 200 annual recertifications. It also will identify and propose opportunities for enhanced and more consistent service provision among agencies, such as direct referrals from physicians.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year program budget is $150,000: $118,000 for staff and $32,000 for program expenses, including professional development and training, telecommunications, rent and utilities. New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance has committed $75,000, and $50,000 in grants are pending with Newsday, Mazon and Bank of America, leaving a balance of $25,000. The Health and Welfare Council’s annual operating budget is $2.2 million.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2013 - $50,000; 2013 - $30,000 (SANDY); 2014 - $25,000 (SANDY); 2015 - $125,000 (LIICF); 2016 - $25,000; 2017 - $255,000 (LIICF).

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HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS

RECIPIENT: INTERFAITH NUTRITION NETWORK
Peter Curry – Board Chair
Jean Kelly – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 for SECOND YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized July 2016)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To continue connecting soup kitchen clients with social services.

ORGANIZATION: Established in 1983 by a group of volunteers, the Interfaith Nutrition Network addresses hunger and homelessness on Long Island by providing food, shelter, long-term housing, and supportive services to clients in a dignified and respectful manner. The Network has grown to become one of the largest human service agencies on Long Island with 1,500 volunteers throughout its network of 14 soup kitchens, which served 400,000 meals last year. In addition to its soup kitchens, the Network operates three emergency shelters, housing for previously homeless veterans, and a long-term housing program. The Mary Brennan Inn is the organization’s largest soup kitchen; it serves 100,000 meals each year. In January 2016, the Network launched the Center for Transformative Change in a building adjacent to the Mary Brennan Inn to help guests begin to address some of the issues that keep them mired in poverty. A team of social workers and volunteers assist guests referred from the soup kitchen to connect them with resources and prepare them for employment.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Several hundred thousand Long Island residents receive temporary assistance such as meals, clothing, and shelter through a network of social service agencies. Many of these individuals have additional underlying needs that further impede their ability to improve their life circumstances and become self-sufficient. Many of these individuals, if provided with the proper resources and supports, are willing and able to move themselves toward economic independence.
RESULTS OF JULY 2016 GRANT: The Center for Transformative Change delivered 1,930 support service appointments for individuals; 42 percent were first time visitors, and 58 percent were returning appointments. Personalized services included help obtaining identification documents such as birth certificates and Social Security cards; acquiring government benefits such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; locating rental housing and negotiating with landlords; enrolling in English as a second language and high school equivalency diploma prep classes; finding employment readiness skills training; securing immigration assistance through pro-bono attorneys; signing up for insurance for health and mental health; establishing bank accounts and credit counseling; and getting metro cards for county buses.

NEW GRANT: The Center will continue these services for 850 individuals and expand outreach efforts to bring in additional agencies such as the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless, Hofstra Law School Deportation Defense Clinic, Northwell Health, Nassau County Commission on Human Rights, Planned Parenthood, and Community Legal Advocates. It will develop additional culturally competent enrichment programs for Hispanic individuals. Finally, it will participate in the Social Security Outreach, Access, and Recovery program designed to increase access to Social Security Administration disability benefits, Supplemental Security Income, and Social Security Disability Insurance for individuals who are experiencing or are at risk of homelessness and have mental illness, medical impairment, and/or a co-occurring substance use disorder.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year program budget is $159,000: $96,000 for staff and $63,000 for program expenses, occupancy/utilities. It has commitments totaling $85,000 from the Richard Cohen Family Foundation and Bethpage Federal Credit Union. It will to continue to fundraise and will use its operating budget to support any shortfall. The Interfaith Nutrition Network’s annual operating budget is $5.7 million.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2013 - $25,000; 2014 - $20,000; 2016 - $20,000.
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**FUND STRATEGY:** Both unrestricted.

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November 2017
D. Okorn
HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS

RECIPIENT: LONG ISLAND CARES
Brian Seidman – Board Chair
Paule Pachter – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 for SIXTH YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized July 2010)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: For the Nassau Service Center food pantry in Freeport.

ORGANIZATION: Founded in 1980 by the late songwriter and social activist Harry Chapin, Long Island Cares is a regional food bank that provides food and supplies to a network of more than 590 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, group homes, day treatment facilities, senior nutrition sites and day care centers in Nassau and Suffolk Counties. The organization distributes seven million pounds of food annually and offers a broad array of programs and support services such as hunger education, supplemental food programs for children, job development, and legislative advocacy. Long Island Cares also operates three emergency pantries and provides a gateway to other social services.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Long Island food pantries serve over 315,000 people every year. In 2009, Long Island Cares responded to increasing need among the hungry on Long Island by opening pantries in high-need communities not being adequately served by other nonprofits. At its Nassau Service Center in Freeport, a low-income area with almost 70 percent of the school population eligible for free or reduced lunch, Long Island Cares has seen annual client numbers jump from 5,000 in 2012 to 9,700 in 2015.

RESULTS OF JULY 2016 GRANT: Since the Nassau Service Center opened in 2010, it has provided emergency food, personal care products, school supplies, clothing for infants and toddlers, and pet food to clients, as well as information and referrals to connect them to social service benefits. The Service Center also is a training hub, hosting mandated food safety
workshops for its member agencies and volunteers who work in pantries throughout Long Island. The Center offered veteran-specific support services in conjunction with local legal, social service, and mental health agencies. Last year, the Service Center served 9,400 people and provided 69,000 meals. In addition, 207 students were trained to volunteer in pantries. Staff also conducted three food safety trainings and three nutrition workshops for member pantries.

NEW GRANT: The Nassau Service Center will serve 10,000 clients and provide food for 70,000 meals. It will serve 200 veterans through its Military Appreciation program and train 200 students to volunteer in Long Island pantries. The Center will conduct six workshops for member agencies on food safety, sanitation, and nutrition. Staff will provide information and referral services to 250 clients and connect them to social service entitlement programs, assistance with mortgage and utility bills, health services, and other programs.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year project budget is $100,500: $58,000 for salaries, and $42,500 for other program costs including rent, telecommunications, and supplies. Long Island Cares has $7,250 committed from the Village of Freeport and the agency will allocate $73,250 in unrestricted funds for this program, leaving a balance of $20,000. The organization’s annual operating budget is $6.8 million.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2012 - $20,000; 2013 - $20,000; 2015 - $20,000; 2016 - $20,000.

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FUND STRATEGY: Homeless, hungry and otherwise disadvantaged in Nassau County, particularly in the Freeport area.

November 2017
D. Okorn
HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS

RECIPIENT: MAUREEN’S HAVEN

Emelia Klonowski – Board Chair
Maryann Gensler – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $20,000 for THIRD YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized July 2014)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To connect homeless individuals on the East End to supportive housing.

ORGANIZATION: Incorporated in 1997 as Peconic Community Council, the agency changed its name to Maureen’s Haven in 2016. It operates a year-round day center that provides meals, clothing, programs in English as a Second Language, computer skills, recovery programs, and GED preparation. In addition to meeting their physical needs, a professional staff including social workers and mental health counselors provide a stabilizing support system and access to services to help individuals identify and correct underlying issues that may be contributing to their homelessness. It also works with more than 20 faith-based congregations to provide emergency overnight shelter for up to 58 homeless men and women from November through March. Volunteers at each congregation operate the shelters, which provide food, hot showers, a warm place to sleep, donated clothing and toiletries, and companionship.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Despite the stereotype of Long Island’s East End being a haven for the wealthy, it also struggles with poverty and homelessness. There are more than 290 homeless people on the streets of East End towns, many of whom suffer from mental illness. Individuals suffering from mental illness are often chronically homeless, and many wrestle with drug and alcohol addiction. This population struggles to access supportive housing, as the multi-layered application process entails complicated evaluations, paperwork, and interviews which they often find overwhelming.

RESULTS OF JULY 2016 GRANT: Maureen’s Haven successfully placed 23 formerly
homeless individuals in supportive housing. It established partnerships with the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless, Options for Community Living, Concern for Independent Living, and Community Housing Innovations, reducing the time required to secure housing for homeless individuals. It also developed a new database that tracks entitlement expiration dates enabling on-time reapplication to avoid benefit lapses.

NEW GRANT: Maureen’s Haven will help place 39 homeless individuals in supportive housing. Staff will work with clients to make sure all facets of Suffolk County’s application and placement process, including psychiatric exams, medical exams, and interviews, are completed for acceptance into one of the group homes participating in the program. Staff also will assist clients in applying for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits and other entitlements. It will maintain contact with clients after placement to monitor progress and offer additional support as necessary to help them remain in their home.

PROJECT FUNDING: The one-year project budget is $65,000: $55,000 for personnel and $10,000 for other program costs. The organization has raised $20,000 in individual donations; $10,000 from the Southampton Bath and Tennis Foundation; $5,000 in special event revenue; $3,000 from Bridgehampton National Bank; and $2,000 from Suffolk County; leaving a balance of $25,000. Maureen’s Haven will continue to fundraise to offset any gap.

The agency’s annual operating budget is $322,000.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2014 - $20,000; 2015 - $20,000.

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FUND STRATEGY:

Miracle-Gro and LICF Annual Funds: Both unrestricted.

Col. William Smith Foundation: Relief or amelioration of the condition of worthy, deserving, needy Christian people of Suffolk County.

November 2017
D. Okorn
SPECIAL PROJECTS

**RECIPIENT:**  
LONG ISLAND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT FUND  
A Funders Collaborative (L483)  
c/o The Long Island Community Foundation

**AMOUNT:**  
$25,000 (one year)

**PURPOSE OF GRANT:**  
To pool local philanthropic resources to support non-partisan civic engagement efforts on Long Island.

**NATURE OF PROJECT:**  
Long Island is a political bellwether within New York, making large voter turnout even more important than in other parts of the State. However, Long Island’s disturbing history of institutional racism, segregation, and fractured and exclusionary governance have impeded grassroots electoral and issue organizing efforts. The communities of color that have suffered from these systems have been ignored, vilified, and pitted against one another, leading to a stifling of their collective voice, including and especially during election seasons. While people of color now account for between 25 and 40 percent of the voting age populations in many places across Long Island, Nassau and Suffolk Counties have the largest voter registration gaps among communities of color in all of New York State. The recent growth of communities of color creates an opportunity for immigrants, African Americans, and other underrepresented populations to help shape Long Island’s political landscape rather than remain marginalized and excluded.

Since its inception, the Hagedorn Foundation has granted more than $4 million to numerous organizations to mobilize Long Island’s disempowered electorate and ensure that the people from these communities are more fully represented in local elected offices. It also provided seed funding to form the Long Island Civic Engagement Table, a coalition of organizations that promote economic and racial justice and build electoral power, and that work to transform the culture of civic participation and government accountability on Long Island. Very few foundations support this type of work, and the resources from those that do are much smaller and often more narrowly focused. With Hagedorn Foundation closing its doors at the end of 2017, a significant funding gap for this critical work will result.

In preparation for its spend down, the Hagedorn Foundation opened the Long Island Civic Engagement Fund at the Long Island Community Foundation to continue to support civic engagement efforts and attract additional funders. Hagedorn Foundation’s initial investment of $880,000 will be earmarked for the Long Island Civic Engagement Table for the next two years, and allocation of grants will be advised by Hagedorn staff and LICF beyond the closing of Hagedorn Foundation. Additional funding will be sought by LICF to help sustain the Civic Engagement Table’s work and other civic engagement efforts.

Activities that may be supported by the Fund include:

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<td>Long Island is a political bellwether within New York, making large voter turnout even more important than in other parts of the State. However, Long Island’s disturbing history of institutional racism, segregation, and fractured and exclusionary governance have impeded grassroots electoral and issue organizing efforts. The communities of color that have suffered from these systems have been ignored, vilified, and pitted against one another, leading to a stifling of their collective voice, including and especially during election seasons. While people of color now account for between 25 and 40 percent of the voting age populations in many places across Long Island, Nassau and Suffolk Counties have the largest voter registration gaps among communities of color in all of New York State. The recent growth of communities of color creates an opportunity for immigrants, African Americans, and other underrepresented populations to help shape Long Island’s political landscape rather than remain marginalized and excluded.</td>
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LONG ISLAND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT FUND (Cont.)

- non-partisan voter education;
- non-partisan voter registration and get out the vote activities;
- citizenship education, preparation, and mobilization;
- non-partisan electoral organizing training; and
- leadership development

We recommend a one year $25,000 grant to the Fund.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: None.

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FUND STRATEGY: All unrestricted.

November 2017
S. Jones
SPECIAL PROJECTS

RECIPIENT: LONG ISLAND IMMIGRANT CHILDREN’S FUND
A Funder’s Collaborative (L450)
c/o The Long Island Community Foundation

AMOUNT: $25,000 for SECOND YEAR RENEWAL
(Original grant authorized March 2015)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To pool local philanthropic resources and create a joint
grantmaking strategy to bring services and advocacy to
recently-arrived immigrant children on Long Island.

ORGANIZATION: The Long Island Community Foundation (LICF) houses the Long Island
Immigrant Children’s Fund (LIICF), established early in 2015 as a collaborative fund made up of
grants and contributions from the Hagedorn Foundation, LICF, the Long Island Unitarian
Universalist Fund, the J.M. Kaplan Fund, the Rauch Foundation, the Sisters of St. Joseph, and a
private donor. The fund’s goal is to pool local philanthropic resources and create a joint
grantmaking strategy to bring services and advocacy to Central American children who began
arriving on Long Island without adult family members in unexpectedly large numbers in 2014.
Their arrival caused anger and backlash in some communities that did not want children
sheltered locally or attending local schools. Faced with this backlash and the need to act, funders
came together to support advocacy and as many direct services as resources would allow, with
the goal of supporting legal representation; educational advocacy to make sure immigrant
children are able to enroll in local school districts and receive appropriate screening, placement,
and access to the same educational programming as other students; coordination among
advocates and service providers; and culturally competent mental health services.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: Long Island has the fifth largest Central American immigrant
community in the United States. Between September 2013 and February 2017, 8,309 Central
American children arrived on Long Island under the Unaccompanied Minor program; 4,550
reside in Suffolk and 3,759 reside in Nassau. The average number of new arrivals per year is
approximately 2,100 for both counties combined, and each year of the last four years, it has received between the third and fifth largest number of these children among regions in the United States. Children ranging from as young as two up to seventeen years of age are among those who have come here as unaccompanied minors. Roughly a third of the children are twelve or younger. Children are placed on Long Island if a family member or friend comes forward to act as a guardian. They are typically placed with a close family member, not with a social service agency or strangers. The Office of Refugee Resettlement follows up with the guardians to make sure that the child is in a safe placement. The child is quickly scheduled for Immigration Court proceedings, though it can take up to two years for a decision to be made about whether the child will receive authorization to stay in the United States legally. The percentage of children granted legal status is much higher when they are represented by an attorney in court. To continue to stay in the United States, the child and proposed guardian must also file with and appear before the Family Court.

RESULTS OF JULY 2015 GRANT: In January 2015 the collaborative made a $125,000 grant from the Fund to support coordination of advocacy and direct services on behalf of the unaccompanied minors, with most of the funding directed at increasing the capacity of four nonprofit legal service providers (CARECEN, Catholic Charities of Rockville Centre, Safe Passage Project, and Touro Law Center) so that they would have sufficient attorneys to effectively represent approximately 200 of the 3,046 children who arrived in federal fiscal year 2014. The Collaborative made a second grant from the LIICF for $268,000 in June 2016 to the same agencies and succeeded that year in getting contributions from three new donors: Episcopal Diocese of Long Island, Alpern Family Foundation, and the Daughters of Wisdom. The collaborative made a third grant in July 2017 for $255,000, with an additional $10,000 to be made later in the year, when the fund is replenished, for a total of $265,000. The LIICF has been a valuable initiative for bringing resources and organizations together to better meet the needs of the recently-arrived immigrant children on Long Island.

NEW GRANT: The fund will continue to support nonprofits that are providing legal representation; culturally competent mental health services; educational advocacy to make sure immigrant children are able to enroll in local school districts; coordination among advocates and
LONG ISLAND IMMIGRANT CHILDREN’S FUND (Cont.)

service providers; and other support services, such as after school programming, needed by these children and/or their families. Participating funders will continue to share information, maximize resources, and develop strategic responses to ensure the greatest impact.

PROJECT FUNDING: In 2016 and 2017, the Hagedorn Foundation contributed $170,000 and $168,076 respectively, and during this same period other collaborative members contributed nearly $90,000.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: 2015 - $25,000.

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FUND STRATEGY: Both unrestricted.

November 2017
D. Okorn
SPECIAL PROJECTS

RECIPIENT: OPIOID CRISIS PREVENTION FUND
A Funders Collaborative (L477)
c/o The Long Island Community Foundation

AMOUNT: $30,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To pool local philanthropic resources to address opioid addiction on Long Island.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Opioid addiction is a major public health crisis in suburban regions throughout New York State and the nation, and it has affected Long Island’s families and communities particularly hard. Suffolk County has the highest number of heroin (one type of opioid) overdose deaths in New York State, and Nassau is among the top five. Over the past few years, there has been a 242 percent increase in treatment admissions for opioid addiction among youth, some as young as 12, and there has been a 32 percent increase in heroin arrests. Recently, the medical examiners of both Nassau and Suffolk counties indicated that fentanyl, a synthetic opioid that is cheaper, easier to cultivate, and much stronger than heroin, has surpassed heroin as the most commonly detected drug in fatal opioid overdoses. The impact of this mounting disaster cuts across racial/ethnic groups, age, geography, and socio-economic status. Residents, schools, businesses, health and human services professionals, and law enforcement are desperate for solutions that will contain and reverse the addiction epidemic.

There have been some important steps taken to tackle this issue. The Federal administration recently declared the opioid addiction crisis a public health emergency, which avails additional government resources and curbs bureaucratic delays. New York State enacted landmark legislation that overhauled how addictive narcotics are dispensed and tracked, and most recently, announced new revisions that will help reduce barriers to insurance coverage for addiction treatment. The revisions also will allocate millions of dollars across the state and on Long Island for treatment and recovery, including the creation of recovery centers operated by local nonprofits that provide counseling, employment, and other services to those in recovery, and family navigator programs that help families effectively interact with insurance agencies and treatment programs. On Long Island, a bi-county Heroin Task Force was created to leverage collective resources and strengthen enforcement to combat the epidemic, and there are countless local initiatives and organizations working on prevention strategies in schools and communities.

In response to this unprecedented and widespread problem, the Long Island Community Foundation’s board of advisors has made opioid addiction a priority. Staff have met with numerous foundations and held two briefings to raise awareness among businesses and funders, one in partnership with Teachers Federal Credit Union and the other together with the Long Island Association, a membership association for the region’s largest businesses. In the past, LICF has effectively used funder collaboratives to address gaps in service and maximize impact.
Therefore, LICF also created the Opioid Crisis Prevention Fund to pool philanthropic resources and develop aligned grantmaking strategies to support innovative interventions in the areas of prevention, treatment, and recovery.

Claire Friedlander Family Foundation has already contributed $25,000, and several other foundations have expressed interest including the New York State Health Foundation, Knapp Swezey, Teachers Federal Credit Union, Bethpage Federal Credit Union, and Amneal Pharmaceuticals. While participating foundations will work with local experts to hone funding priorities and criteria, the Fund will likely support efforts that:

- strengthen the capacity of community and health systems to respond to the opioid epidemic;
- provide technical assistance and support to community organizations that form the safety net for communities, families, and the most vulnerable Long Islanders;
- improve sharing and dissemination of information and resources among regional efforts and local neighborhoods and people; and
- offer opportunities for healing transitions and self-sufficiency.

We recommend a one year $30,000 grant to the Fund.

**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** None.

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**FUND STRATEGY:** All unrestricted.

November 2017
S. Jones
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

RECIPIENT: CENTRAL NASSAU GUIDANCE & COUNSELING SERVICES
950 South Oyster Bay Road
Hicksville, NY 11801
(516) 396-2834
James O’Brien – Board Chair
Jeffrey Friedman – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $25,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To support system upgrades and training to improve behavioral health care delivery.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics were created by the Protecting Access to Medicare Act, which established a two-year, eight-state demonstration program to standardize quality and service delivery in mental health centers and link payment to outcomes. The goal of the certified clinics is to strengthen community-based mental health and addiction treatment services, integrate behavioral health care with physical health care, and use evidence-based care more consistently. Clinics will provide a comprehensive range of mental health and substance use disorder services to vulnerable individuals with behavioral health needs including adults with serious mental illness, severe substance use disorders, and/or co-occurring mental, substance use, or physical health disorders. Clinic certification is contingent on appropriate staffing; availability and accessibility of services; care coordination across providers and settings; comprehensive services reflecting patient-centered care; quality and other reporting; and organizational governance and capacity.

Established in 1972, Central Nassau Guidance and Counseling Services’ mission is to provide clinical treatment, rehabilitation, housing opportunities, social and support services, counseling and guidance to individuals, families and the community affected by mental illness, developmental disabilities, psychological difficulties, addiction and/or dependency problems, regardless of their ability to pay. Central Nassau is one of only thirteen organizations in New York State, and the only organization on Long Island, to receive state and federal approval to become a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic.

In accordance with its certification as a Community Behavioral Health Clinic, Central Nassau is in the process of hiring more than 50 new staff and adding a second physical location. To accommodate this growth, it will hire consultants to:

- develop new electronic health record modules and visual dashboards for expanded review, collection, and reporting of patient information including instant capture
and retrieval of patient data during appointments and access by clinicians to past notes from mental health, addiction, and primary care practitioners;

• develop a best practice model for same-day appointments; and
• train staff on use and system maintenance.

The program budget is $154,000: $98,000 for staff and professional fees, and $56,000 for project expenses, such as training, travel, and meetings. Revenue of $129,000 has been committed by New York State Medicaid, leaving a balance of $25,000.

Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics can transform the delivery of behavioral health services for high-need populations by providing access to a full array of services to address an individual’s mental health and substance use treatment needs, basic primary health care, and other support services. Successful implementation of this pilot program will result in improved health outcomes and greater cost efficiencies. We recommend a one-year grant of $25,000.

Central Nassau Guidance & Counseling Services’ annual operating budget is $24.3 million.

GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS: None.

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FUND STRATEGY:

Greentree, LICF and Simons: All unrestricted.

Fund for Innovative Programs: Innovative community programs on Long Island.

November 2017
D.M. Okorn
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

RECIPIENT: HUNTINGTON YOUTH BUREAU
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH INSTITUTE
423 Park Avenue
Huntington, NY 11743
(631) 351-3061
Frank Petrone – Board Chair
Maria Georgiou – Paid Staff Head

AMOUNT: $15,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: For an alternative to juvenile court for first time youthful offenders.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Each year, an estimated 2.1 million people under the age of 18 are arrested nationwide. Approximately 1.7 million of them appear in juvenile court, even though often they are accused of non-violent, low-level offenses and do not pose a threat to public safety. Indeed, a growing number of schools are outsourcing what were once considered disciplinary issues to juvenile courts and police officers in schools. Most youth processed through the juvenile courts are declared delinquent, a decision that can negatively affect academic outcomes, job prospects, and any future involvement with the justice system.

Youth courts – where young offenders are sentenced by their peers for minor offenses or violations – are an alternative to traditional juvenile courts and school disciplinary proceedings. Teen peers serve as jurors, judges, attorneys, and advocates in the process, and determine sentences from a wide array of options including requiring the accused to serve as a juror in a subsequent youth court case or complete community service, counseling, or a life skills program. The process allows the offender to take responsibility, be held accountable, and make restitution for violating the law. The program also offers young volunteers the opportunity to participate in the decision-making process for dealing with juvenile misconduct, gain hands-on knowledge of the criminal justice system, and learn about career opportunities. Research shows a decrease in suspensions in schools that use youth courts, and relatively low recidivism rates among participants.

Established in 1979, the Huntington Youth Bureau, Youth Development Research Institute is a not-for-profit organization that promotes the growth and wellbeing of young people and their families in the Town of Huntington, which includes eight school districts (including several that are more racially and socio-economically diverse than their surroundings) serving more than 40,000 students. The Huntington Youth Bureau provides out-of-school time academic enrichment, college preparation, job training, counseling, substance abuse prevention and treatment, and recreational services.
In 2000, the Huntington Youth Bureau and a town councilman created Huntington Youth Court. The Huntington Youth Court has a formal referral agreement with the Suffolk County Department of Probation, Walt Whitman High School, and Huntington High School, and has heard nearly 400 cases and worked with more than 600 peer volunteers. Youthful offenders also are referred to appropriate Youth Bureau services and programs consistent with their needs. All new volunteers are required to complete twenty hours of training on conflict resolution, restorative justice, cultural diversity, and jury deliberations. The Huntington Youth Bureau has been able to help most of the young offenders address underlying issues that led to the original misconduct and avoid repetition.

This year, Youth Bureau will expand to:

- form a referral partnership with Northport High School, which reported 188 suspensions in the previous school year;
- adjudicate and provide support services to 40 referred youth through Youth Court;
- recruit and train 30 new volunteers (including young offenders) to run trial proceedings; and
- select and train ten peer ambassadors to develop additional programming and liaise among Youth Court, the schools, and the community.

The project budget is $105,000: $88,000 for staff expenses, $10,000 for ambassador stipends, and $7,000 for project expenses. Revenue of $90,000 has been committed by the Town of Huntington, leaving a balance of $15,000.

Youth courts provide young offenders with a vital second chance, and are effective at reducing rearrests. Combined with the Huntington Youth Bureau’s support services, its youth court will help young people get back on track. We recommend a one-year grant of $15,000.

The organization’s annual operating budget is $2 million.

**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** None.

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FUND STRATEGY:

LICF and Miracle Gro Funds: Both unrestricted.

LI Fund for Youth Programs: Innovative programs for youth on Long Island.

November 2017
S. Jones
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

RECIPIENT: PARENT ACTION COMMUNITY
221 Broadway, Suite 104
Amityville, NY 11701
(631) 351-3061
Samuel Russell – Board Chair
Elizanne Russell – Paid Staff Head
(Funds Administrator: Economic Opportunity Council of Suffolk)

AMOUNT: $20,000 (one year)

PURPOSE OF GRANT: To provide educational and support services to adolescent parents from under-resourced communities.

NATURE OF PROJECT: Nearly three in ten girls in the United States will become pregnant before the age of twenty. Teenage parents are less likely to complete high school or attend college, and more likely to live in poverty, depend on public assistance, have reduced earnings, be in poor health, and have family instability, than even slightly older parents. Moreover, they may have more negative interactions with their children and unrealistic expectations of child behavior that increase the risk of abuse and neglect. These challenges are exacerbated for teen parents with language barriers. Educational attainment can break this cycle and improve life outcomes for young families. Studies demonstrate that a high school diploma or its equivalent leads to a greater chance of finding employment and stable housing and a decreased chance of both being in poverty and having poor developmental outcomes for the child of the teen parent.

Parent Action Community is a community-based nonprofit organization established in 2005 by a group of parents who wanted to support the academic, emotional, and employment needs of youth and young adults from communities suffering from high rates of poverty, adolescent pregnancy, single parenting, limited English proficiency, and unemployment. Three years ago, the organization made a strategic decision to focus its limited resources on teenage pregnancy prevention and teenage parent support. It runs life skills programs in various high-needs school districts, provides education and employment assistance programs for young parents, and opened a small distribution center to provide much-needed baby and children’s items, assisting more than 150 young parents thus far. In 2016, the organization secured formal office space near public transportation, enabling it to expand its programs. In partnership with local universities, multi-service nonprofit organizations, and municipal offices, it links young parents to a network of support services that can help them become economically self-sufficient and improve their families’ lives.
This year, Parent Action Community will:

- hire a program coordinator to oversee education programs and case management efforts;
- recruit and create individual action plans for young parents interested in completing an English language or high school equivalency class;
- partner with Farmingdale State College to deliver two 12-week English classes and two high school equivalency classes, serving 48 young parents in total;
- work with Economic Opportunity Council of Suffolk and Adelphi University to identify and supervise social work interns who will provide case management services;
- work with Mentoring Partnership to train community volunteers to serve as mentors to the participants; and
- connect participants to higher education, vocational training, and employment opportunities upon completion of classes.

The project budget is $195,000: $127,000 for staff and instructors, and $52,000 for project expenses, including supplies and materials, marketing, and travel, and $16,000 for administration. The organization has raised $20,000 in business and individual contributions, and has proposals totaling $20,000 pending with Assemblywoman Jean-Pierre and TD Bank Foundation. Most of its expenses are covered by in-kind support, which it estimates at $135,000, leaving a balance of $20,000.

Teen parents are vulnerable to lifelong economic hardships and other negative outcomes. Support networks are essential to becoming self-sufficient adults, engaged parents, and productive members of society. While small and modestly resourced, Parent Action Community has the community credibility and relationships to provide appropriate services. A grant from the Community Foundation can help attract a wider donor base. We recommend a one-year grant of $20,000.

Parent Action Community’s annual operating budget is $340,000.

**GRANTS IN LAST 5 YEARS:** None.

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FUND STRATEGY:

Leone Scott Wise: Teens in Nassau suffering from emotional difficulties.

Greentree & LICF: Unrestricted.

November 2017
S. Jones
RECOMMENDED FOR DECLINE

Following are the requests recommended for decline. The evaluation process involves the distillation of a considerable amount of information, and several factors often help point the way to a particular decision. The categories for declines are based upon different levels of qualitative judgment; a brief description of each is provided.

**Outside Approved Guidelines**
The purpose and activities of the proposal do not meet LICF’s published grant strategies in a particular program area e.g., the request is for capital expenses; for a stand-alone performance or conference.

Local TV, Inc. for East Hampton video library development and preservation.

Port Washington Parent Resource Center for pre-school class scholarships

**Duplicative Effort**
The proposal has the same strategy or activities as another effort that is currently funded by the LICF and is doing the work more effectively.

Center for Disaster Resiliency Solutions to create a model resilience plan for coastal flooding impacts to Island Park.

Defend H2O, Inc. to elevate the public conversation on the environmental ramifications of sea level rise and promote adaptive actions to safeguard the region’s coastal zone.

New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) to protect drinking water resources through public education efforts.

**Other Projects Merited Higher Priority**
In the judgment of the program officer, the proposal is not as competitive as others submitted for similar purposes, or does not rise to a level of importance that other current grants or proposals achieve.

African American Genealogical Society to equip LI immigrants with skills that will increase their economic and social capabilities.

Amagansett Food Pantry to match local farms with local panties in a community-supported agricultural model.

America’s Vet Dogs for a PTSD service dog training program
American Sustainable Business Institute to create a unified, values-based business constituency on Long Island that promotes a sustainable environmental and economy.

Association for Technology Dependent Children (Angela’s House) for language access and Latino outreach for parents of medically-fragile children.

Association of Children with Down Syndrome to fund a day habilitation program for young adults to develop skills necessary for independent living.

Cedarmore Corporation to develop and implement systems to improve operations.

Central Islip Civic Council, Inc. to provide structured, afterschool activities to decrease the risk of gang involvement.

Cradle of Aviation Museum to modify and update a new Educator Guide in print and for the web.

Domestic Harmony Foundation to help become eligible for government grants and funding by developing leadership, improving capacity and increasing collaboration with other domestic violence agencies.

Dreamweave College Coaching, Inc. to provide early planning for college success in Brentwood, Central Islip, Hempstead and Westbury school districts.

Family Service League, Inc. for program services at the William Floyd Family Center.

Fighting Chance to expand outreach programs to increase contact with the Hispanic and Latino community of the East End.

Fostering Footprints, Inc. for support of a teen parenting program that will lead to economic self-sufficiency.

Long Beach Martin Luther King Center for support of Safe Environment After School (SEAS) program for under-served students.

Long Island Against Domestic Violence, Inc. for a board development program to increase the organization’s skills and build strong, diverse leadership.

Long Island Coalition for the Homeless to support a Coordinated Entry System process to ensure that the most vulnerable persons with the longest lengths of homelessness are prioritized before those who are more likely to self-resolve.

Patchogue Medford Youth & Community Services for a career and college exploration and job training workshop.
Selfhelp Community Services, Inc. to bring the arts to homebound seniors through the Virtual Senior Center.

Stony Brook University – College of Engineering & Applied Sciences to increase the female participation rate in TechPREP programming at the Brentwood and William Floyd Middle Schools.

Suffolk Y Jewish Community Center, to expand services and programs that provide individuals with special needs with opportunities to develop and strengthen social and emotional intelligence, as well as physical abilities.

Webb Institute to launch the Summer Engineering Academy – Minority Access Program.

Wyandanch Homes & Property Development Corp. for Project Self-Sufficiency, to expand quality, affordable housing opportunities for low-income and homeless families.

Village of Greenport for a housing study to inform policy makers on municipal code development that promotes affordable housing.

**Poor Program Design**

Although the project is credible and falls into a category that we fund, the approach for carrying out the initiative is questionable. For example, the project does not include appropriate or sufficient staffing; the time period called for is too short, too long; or the proposed techniques or strategies are not appropriate or feasible.

Herstory Writer’s Workshop to advance the well-being of at-risk youth by enabling them to articulate their needs and life experiences.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), for adolescent mental health program presentations in Nassau County middle and/or high schools.

**Capability Problems with Project**

The organization has weak staff or board leadership, inexperienced management, shaky finances or no prior experience managing a similar project, any of which calls into question its ability to complete the proposed effort successfully.

Long Island Council of Churches for their emergency food and services program.

Quality Parks to protect, support and strengthen the Paumanok Path.