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National Benevolent Association Mission and Ministry Grant Program: 20 Projects Funded to Support Older Adults and At-Risk Children and Youth in 2018-19

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For the second year of the Mission and Ministry Grants Program, the National Benevolent Association of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is granting a total of \$157,900 to 20 Disciples projects and ministries working with older adults and at-risk children and youth.

In June 2017, the NBA announced the launch of this new grant program, making purpose-restricted funds available for distribution through grants to Disciples congregations and health and social service ministries. In 2018, the NBA Grants Committee accepted and evaluated applications through the fall, and grant funds are now being distributed to selected projects.

This year's grantees are located across 13 Disciples regions. Of the 20 selected projects, nine are focused on at-risk children and youth; six are focused on older adults; and five are intergenerational, serving both communities. Eight of these grantees also received Mission and Ministry Grant funds from NBA last year.

"We continue to be impressed with the grant applications we receive, from an increasing number of congregations and ministries across the life of the church," says Mark D. Anderson, NBA President and CEO. "We are so grateful for these Disciples and the positive impact they are having on their communities, and it's our honor and privilege to continue investing in health and social service ministry through this grant program."

Read about the second cohort of grantees and their projects below/on the next page! We look forward to sharing a spotlight on each ministry with more project details starting in January, with updates to come from grantees throughout the year.

Find frequently asked questions and more information about the NBA Mission and Ministry Grant Program at <u>nbacares.org/grants</u>. The 2019 application will be available by summer 2019. For additional questions, please email <u>grants@nbacares.org</u>.

About the National Benevolent Association

As the health and social services general ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the National Benevolent Association partners with congregations, regions, general ministries, and a variety of Disciples-related health and social service providers to create communities of compassion and care. Founded in 1887 by six women responding to the needs of the day and on their doorsteps, for more than 130 years the NBA has continued to serve "the least of these." For more information, visit <u>nbacares.org</u>.

2018 NBA Mission and Ministry Grantees

Grantee Community Older Adults	Grantee Organization/Project First Christian Church Beckley	City/State Beckley, WV	Region West Virginia	Grant Amount	
				\$	2,000
	Lake Ozark Christian Church	Lake Ozark, MO	Mid-America (NE)	\$	7,900
	Journey of Faith	Ann Arbor, MI	Michigan	\$	10,000
	Christian Care Communities	Louisville, KY	Kentucky	\$	10,000
	Juliette Fowler Communities*	Dallas, TX	Southwest	\$	10,000
Ţ T	Nashville Food Project	Nashville, TN	Tennessee	\$	15,000
				\$	54,900
Children/Youth	First Christian Church St. Joseph	St. Joseph, MO	Mid-America (NW)	\$	3,000
	Woodland Christian Church	Woodland, CA	Northern California/Nevada	\$	4,000
	Twin Pines Disciples of Christ	Lexington, KY	Kentucky	\$	4,000
	Child Saving Institute	Omaha, NE	Nebraska	\$	4,000
	Camp Sunflower*	Wichita, KS	Kansas	\$	5,000
	University Place Christian Church*	Champaign, IL	Illinois/Wisconsin	\$	6,000
	Blue Theology Mission Station	Pacific Grove, CA	Northern California/Nevada	\$	7,000
	Rise Up Project*	Rock Island, IL	Illinois/Wisconsin	\$	9,000
	Christian Youth Foundation	Athens, TX	Southwest	\$	11,000
				\$	53,000
Intergenerational	Disciples Personal Care Pantry*	Burkburnett, TX	Southwest	\$	5,000
	Community of Just Love*	Houston, TX	Southwest	\$	10,000
	Shalom Community Christian Church*	Greensboro, NC	North Carolina	\$	10,000
	Good Shepherd Christian Church*	Macedonia, OH	Ohio	\$	10,000
	Saguaro Christian Church	Tucson, AZ	Arizona	\$	15,000
				\$	50,000
	*Second-Year Grantee				
TOTALS					
Older Adults				\$	79,900
Children/Youth			172	\$	78,000
Total Grants				\$	157,900

