

The HealthPath Foundation of Ohio (HealthPath) recently awarded \$155,057 in 22 grants to organizations dedicated to improving community health in northeast and southwest Ohio. The grants will be used over a two-year period.

The 2018 grantees are:

- **American Red Cross, Greater Cincinnati-Dayton Region** (serving Scioto County): Through direct services, advocacy and education, the American Red Cross Home Fire Campaign will help save lives, reduce injuries and support families impacted by disasters, such as home fires, in Scioto County communities.
- **Cincinnati Museum Center** (serving Hamilton County): Provides oral health education for low-income Cincinnati Public Schools' students in grades K-4 through the "Inside the Grin" exhibit in the Duke Energy Children's Museum.
- **Episcopal Retirement Services** (serving Clark County): The grant will introduce Project Activate®, a comprehensive, award-winning physical activity initiative designed to reframe aging attitudes and inspire action around physical activity to enhance health, independence and well-being.
- **Episcopal Retirement Services** (serving Clinton County): The positive therapeutic environment of a community greenhouse will enable residents to connect and recharge, particularly during inclement weather, to enhance social relationships and overall physical and mental health.
- **Episcopal Retirement Services** (serving Hamilton County): The grant will introduce Project Activate® to reframe aging attitudes and inspire action around physical activity to enhance health, independence and well-being.
- **Family & Community Services Inc.** (serving Trumbull County): SCOPE Senior Services 'Travelling Pantry' provides free basic groceries and fresh foods delivered by volunteers to homebound and shut-ins located in the food deserts of the City of Warren located in Trumbull County, Ohio.
- **HealthSource of Ohio** (serving Clinton County): The grant will be used to offer nutrition, education, cooking demonstrations, community resources and access to fresh and healthy food choices for low-income families.
- **Hearing Speech & Deaf Center of Greater Cincinnati** (serving Hamilton County): Children ages 18 months to five years attending the Robert and Adele Schiff Early Learning Center in Lower Price Hill will receive speech-language screenings, assessments and therapy for condition-related language and learning barriers.
- **Hispanics Avanzando Hispanics** (serving Hamilton County): The grant will provide services for Price Hill Champions, a community-designed and led after school program for 4th through 8th grade youth at Roberts Academy. The program focuses on holistic wellness, including nutrition, exercise, self-esteem and making positive choices.
- **Holmes County General Health District** (serving Holmes County): The Getting Active Staying Strong Project will provide adults ages 65 and over an opportunity to engage in safe physical activity while in an outdoor setting, promoting an increase in strength and endurance, and a decrease in chronic health issues.
- **James W. Miller Memorial Fund** (serving Hamilton County): Designed to educate area high school students, of all demographic and socioeconomic statuses, on the signs, symptoms, action steps and resources for mental illness and crisis intervention.
- **Jewish Family Service of The Cincinnati Area** (serving Butler, Clermont, and Hamilton Counties): Tablets & Technology removes barriers for Holocaust survivors to connect with loved ones and

the community. The grant will provide individualized training in how to use tablet technology to improve survivors' quality of life, independence, health, and safety.

- **Mental Health Recovery Services of Warren & Clinton Counties** (serving Warren County): In partnership with the City of Franklin Fire Department, the grant will be used to produce and provide a resource booklet offering treatment and recovery resources for opiate and heroin addiction to residents.
- **National Society to Prevent Blindness, Ohio Affiliate** (serving Greene County): The grant will deliver Play It Safe With Your Eyes (PISWYE), a STEM-based lesson plan to prepare preschool teachers to educate their students about how to keep their eyes healthy and safe for a lifetime.
- **National Society to Prevent Blindness, Ohio Affiliate** (serving Hamilton County): The grant delivers Play It Safe With Your Eyes (PISWYE), a STEM-based lesson plan to prepare preschool teachers to educate their students about how to keep their eyes healthy and safe for a lifetime.
- **The Salvation Army - Canton, Ohio** (serving Stark County): The Seniors Program at The Salvation Army of Canton, Ohio, offers adults ages 55 and older the opportunity to socialize, learn and stay active in a safe environment where they receive a healthy meal and support.
- **Shiloh Little Footprints Learning Center** (serving Hamilton County): The grant will introduce Avondale community families about the early stage of development by providing ongoing literacy, expanding their knowledge, and building their awareness about healthy eating toward physical, emotional and social development.
- **Springfield Museum of Art** (serving Clark County): "In the Moment: Art Unlocks Creativity" engages older adults with dementia to provide opportunities for and to encourage social engagement through art exploration and art making.
- **St. Vincent de Paul Charitable Pharmacy** (serving Hamilton County): In a partnership with Mercy Health-Queen City Emergency Department and St. Vincent de Paul Charitable Pharmacy, the uninsured of the Western Hills community will be able to access free prescription medications following a health emergency.
- **Talbert House** (serving Hamilton County): Two adjacent neighborhoods will coordinate and disseminate a safety message using identified seniors as safety champions to seek input and provide feedback to senior groups and engage community organizations serving their community.
- **University of Cincinnati Foundation** (serving Hamilton County): UC Blue Ash Dental Hygiene Clinic will provide transportation and preventive oral healthcare at no cost to communities utilizing St. Vincent de Paul pantry and Good Samaritan Free Health Center.
- **Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corporation** (serving Mahoning County): Safety and fitness programming will be instituted at Youngstown's Summer Day Camps at six city playgrounds in conjunction with the Safe Routes to School program.

Since the Community Connections program began in 2012, HealthPath has awarded more than \$1.45 million through 176 grants to organizations throughout Ohio.