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North Dakota Community Innovation Grant Program
Round #1, 2021
Grantee Information & Awards

African Arts Arena \$15,000

Hamzat Koriko, Executive Director
33 South Third Street, Suite D
Grand Forks, ND 58201

***Voices of the Silenced:** A team of Black/Indigenous/people of color instructors will teach African percussion and dance, poem writing, and storytelling to low-income and minority youth, helping them cope with the stress of the pandemic through exposure to culturally diverse art forms.*

Afro-American Development Association: \$15,000

Hukun Dabar, Executive Director
1132 28th Avenue South
Moorhead, MN 56560

***Helping Families & Rebuilding Services:** Provide continuity to case management and employment programming for resettled refugees following the closure of Lutheran Social Services of ND, while seeking ways to rebuild resettlement services in collaboration with the State of North Dakota.*

Beyond Shelter: \$15,000

Lisa Rotvold, Development Director
PO Box 312
Fargo, ND 58107

***An Affordable Vision for Downtown Fargo:** Evaluation, visioning, and implementation planning to meet the affordable housing needs of the diverse population seeking to live in downtown Fargo.*

Center for Rural Health, University of North Dakota: \$15,000

Rebecca Quinn, North Dakota Brain Injury Network Program Director
1301 N Columbia Road
Grand Forks, ND 58202

***Brain Injury in the Criminal Justice System:** Develop a strategic plan for the implementation of statewide brain injury screening, identification, referral, and assessment protocols for individuals within the North Dakota criminal justice system.*

Dakota West Arts Council: \$14,000

Molly McLain, Executive Director
1810 Schafer Street, Suite 2
Bismarck, ND 58501

***Finding Unity in the Arts Community:** Explore arts needs in Bismarck and the broader region by inviting community stakeholders to facilitated conversations, exploring how to collaborate on shared needs and problems, how to share space and resources, and how to unify and amplify the arts in the region.*

Down Home: \$13,350

Jenessa Fillipi, Executive Director
2102 12th Street North
Fargo, ND 58102

***Empower Up Program:** Provide cognitive behavioral and emotional intelligence training to people in Fargo-Moorhead who have experienced or are at risk for homelessness, in addition to transforming a priority space in their home*

Great Plains Food Bank: \$15,000

Marcia Paulson, Chief Development Officer
1720 Third Avenue North
Fargo, ND 58102

***Standing Rock Community Project:** Convene community members, leaders, and experts, including those with lived experience of food insecurity and poverty, in a broad-based community assessment to identify ways in which existing community assets can be leveraged and new solutions developed to advance food security.*

Heart-n-Soul Community Cafe: \$15,000

Leola Daul, Executive Director
1610 12th Avenue South
Fargo, ND 58103

***Gathering Together for Heart and Soul:** Partner with community neighborhoods to offer a Pop-Up Food Truck to serve nutritional, locally grown food in a variety of neighborhoods, providing meals and opportunity for social connections.*

HeartSprings Community Healing Center: \$15,000

Jan Nelson, Executive Director
2010 N Elm Street
Fargo, ND 58102

***COVID Crisis Care & Recovery Initiative:** Provide classes including trauma-sensitive yoga, T'ai Chi Chih, and meditation to Fargo-Moorhead area refugee families and to people in the Fort Berthold Diabetes Program of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation.*

Lake Region Community Shelter: \$10,000

Beth J. Saylor, Board Member
PO Box 237
Devils Lake, ND 58301

***Shelter Restart:** Determine a permanent 24-hour shelter location to serve the Devils Lake region following closure of the original shelter due to COVID-19 restrictions, and educate the community on homelessness, affordable housing, generational poverty, and cultural differences.*

Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa: \$15,000

Erin Belgarde, Strategic Planning Coordinator
4180 Highway 281
Belcourt, ND 58316

***Turtle Mountain Recovery Center:** Provide culturally responsive drug and alcohol treatment services by hiring a project director to lead efforts in site design, implementing Medicaid billing for clients, and identifying staff needed for services*

SUMMARY of Grant Round 1:
11 Grants for a total of \$157,350