

Community Grants Awards – Winter 2026 Grant Cycle

Recipient Project &	Project Description	Amount
Baltimore Community ToolBank: Sustaining a Community Anchor (Entire SBGP District)	Project will support ToolBank’s essential tool-lending infrastructure that enables hundreds of South Baltimore organizations to complete community projects by providing affordable, high-impact equipment access.	\$90,931.92
Leadenhall Baptist Church, Inc.: Stained Glass Window Project (Sharp Leadenhall)	Project will preserve one of South Baltimore’s oldest historic Black landmarks by restoring 15 original stained-glass windows at Leadenhall Baptist Church, whose structural integrity has deteriorated due to age and weather exposure.	\$50,000.00
Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service, Inc.: Legal Services (Entire SBGP District)	Project will expand free civil legal services and record-relief supports for low-income South Baltimore residents to stabilize housing, remove barriers to employment, and strengthen long-term economic mobility.	\$49,996.00
Gods Best Family Inc: South Baltimore Collective (Federal Hill South, Otterbein, Sharp-Leadenhall, South Baltimore Neighborhood)	A comprehensive, year-round collection of youth, family, and community programs that strengthen academic success, wellness, connection, and neighborhood stability across South Baltimore. Funding will also support God's Best Family's 4th Annual SoBo Friends & Family Festival, a free, community-centered event designed to activate public space and bring neighbors together.	\$44,120.00
Baltimore Outreach Services Inc: Children's Summer Wellness (Federal Hill)	Project includes a five-week academic and wellness program providing trauma-informed instruction, physical activity, nutrition education, and emotional support for children experiencing homelessness.	\$41,383.00
Taste Wise Kids Inc: TWK 26/27 School Year (Cherry Hill, Lakeland, Mt. Winans, St. Paul, Pigtown/Washington Village, Westport)	The Days of Taste + Food Literacy Programs is a multi-school food literacy initiative bringing hands-on nutrition education, farm-to-table learning, Earth Day programming, and culturally informed food experiences to more than 3,300 SBGP district elementary students.	\$37,756.41

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Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church: Riverside Third Space Phase 2 (Riverside)	Salem Lutheran Church will modernize its Riverside Third Space by upgrading the HVAC system through the installation of mini-splits (heating and AC) in four rooms to ensure safe, year-round access to an inclusive, low-cost wellness and recreation hub for South Baltimore residents.	\$35,000.00
Business Volunteers Maryland: Capacity Build Initiative (Cherry Hill, Lakeland, Mt. Winans, St. Paul, Westport)	The continuation of the Capacity Build Initiative pairs small South Baltimore nonprofits with pro-bono corporate consultants, training, and partnerships to strengthen organizational sustainability, leadership, and impact.	\$32,499.00
Digital Harbor Foundation Inc: Tech Credential Cohort (Cherry Hill, Federal Hill, Federal Hill South, Pigtown/Washington Village, Riverside, Sharp-Leadenhall, South Baltimore Neighborhood, Stadium Area)	A year-long STEM workforce initiative providing 5-6 high school students with 200 hours of training leading to industry-recognized credentials in IT and digital design, supported by stipends, employer engagement, and structured skill development.	\$25,000.00
Healthy Neighborhoods, Inc.: Legacy Home Repair Initiative (Cherry Hill, Lakeland, Mt. Winans, St. Paul, Westport)	The Legacy Homeowner Repair Program will continue its home-repair and estate-stabilization program that helps long-tenured SBGP District homeowners age in place safely, preserve generational wealth, and strengthen neighborhood housing stability.	\$24,475.00
Lets Eat Inc: Weekly Food Delivery (Carroll-Camden Industrial Area, Cherry Hill, Lakeland, Mt. Winans, Pigtown/Washington Village, South Baltimore Neighborhood, St. Paul, Westport)	Weekly food-recovery operations will redirect high-quality surplus food to Mount Winans via Fishes and Loaves, increasing access to fresh meals for families, seniors, and individuals while reducing food waste.	\$23,316.00

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Arts Every Day Inc: Increasing School Arts Access (Cherry Hill, Lakeland, Mt. Winans, St. Paul, Westport)	Support will expand equitable arts access to two SBGP District public schools by funding field trips, teaching-artist residencies, and durable arts equipment that strengthen instruction and connect students to Baltimore’s cultural community.	\$22,017.65
Federal Hill Neighborhood Association, Inc.: Cross Street Revitalization (Federal Hill)	Project will implement targeted safety upgrades to school-adjacent spaces along the Cross Street corridor. This includes a security gate at the Federal Hill Preparatory School rear parking lot, fencing, and bistro lighting the school to create a safer, more welcoming environment for residents and students.	\$21,848.00
Southwest Sports and Fitness Alliance, Inc.: SSFA Mentoring through Sports (Pigtown/Washington Village)	Support for high-quality, school-based after-school sports programming at two SBGP partner schools, increasing youth access to structured physical activity, mentorship, and leadership development. The program will promote physical literacy, academic engagement, and social-emotional growth while removing barriers to participation serving 100–150 youth participants through 100 program sessions.	\$18,000.00
Reach Out and Read Inc: ROR South Baltimore Project (Cherry Hill)	Support for evidence-based early literacy initiative delivering over 1,100 books and clinician-guided parent–child reading support to more than 550 young children during annual well-child visits at Harbor Pediatrics.	\$7,500.00
Junior Achievement USA: Job Shadow Program (Federal Hill, Riverside, South Baltimore Neighborhood)	Program will provide high school students with impactful, real-world career exploration opportunities through workplace visits; bridging classroom learning and future career pathways, while building workplace readiness skills and confidence.	\$5,000.00

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Neighborhood Design Center, Inc.: The Trash Dash 2026 (Cherry Hill, Westport)	Trash Dash Cleanup Competition is a high-energy volunteer cleanup event at Middle Branch Park that mobilizes community teams to remove litter, promote environmental stewardship, and increase public engagement through an educational, competitive format.	\$5,000.00
Trash Free Maryland Corporation: Little Prevention Initiative (South Baltimore Neighborhood, Stadium Area)	Support to expand quarterly volunteer cleanups and launch a community based social marketing campaign to reduce litter, prevent dumping, and empower residents to protect South Baltimore’s streets and waterways.	\$5,000.00
Federal Hill South Neighborhood Association: Neighborhood Lights (Federal Hill South)	Neighborhood safety initiative will offer dusk-to-dawn LED bulbs to 150 neighbors to brighten streets, reduce crime, and strengthen community identity.	\$4,000.00
SEEDLING INC: Paul’s Place STEM Programming (Pigtown/Washington Village)	Support for 30–40 project-based STEM and nutrition sessions to Paul’s Place youth, equipping students with technical skills, food-systems knowledge, and hands-on hydroponic learning to counter educational inequity and improve long-term health and career outcomes.	\$3,750.00
Pigtown Food For Thought Garden: Safety & Access Improvement (Pigtown/Washington Village)	Project will replace aging garden beds, improve tool storage, and install a dog-waste station to enhance accessibility, environmental health, and community use of Pigtown’s shared garden spaces.	\$2,429.94
Downtown Baltimore Family Alliance Inc: Playground Tour - Cherry Hill (Cherry Hill)	A family-friendly, pop-up play event in Cherry Hill will bring music, science, arts, and inclusive activities to foster joyful gathering spaces and strengthen community connections.	\$2,000.00
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<p>The Ridgely's Delight Association: The Garden Mural (Ridgely's Delight)</p>	<p>Support to cocreate a large-scale mural with residents, blending existing graffiti with new artwork to boost neighborhood pride, reduce litter, and welcome visitors.</p>	<p>\$2,000.00</p>
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