

2008 Department of Neighborhoods Large Project Fund Award Recommendations

Organization: Friends of El Club
Project Name: Heritage Language Literacy Club

Project Description:

The Heritage Literacy Club is an after-school literacy program that serves Latino students in grades K-12. Middle and high school students serve as tutors for elementary-age children and work with them on literacy skills in Spanish. Tutors receive a scholarship encouraging them to complete high school and pursue college.

NMF Award: \$44,400
Community Match: \$70,200

Organization: Arts in Motion
Project Name: Building Community/Building AIM: Bringing Arts Opportunities to SE Seattle Youth

Project Description:

Arts in Motion (AIM) will organize a capacity-building project that will help expand services to Rainier Valley youth. Infrastructure development, outreach, and volunteer growth will provide the means to realize the ultimate goal of the project: sustaining the future of their children's art/cultural education.

NMF Award: \$98,650
Community Match: \$59,275

Organization: Brown Sugar Babies Council of Elders
Project Name: Brown Sugar Babies

Project Description:

This community mobilization project will provide support, education, information and resources to African-American women of childbearing age. This will also help them access health care, which will improve the community's capacity for providing support to women and families, helping to buffer the effects of chronic stress caused by racism, and ultimately improving birth outcomes.

NMF Award: \$50,070
Community Match: \$32,500

Organization: Eritrean Association in Greater Seattle

Project Name: Eritrean Community Center Expansion

Project Description:

Organizers will conduct a design process and develop permitting for the Eritrean Community Center Expansion. This development will replace a structurally unsafe house with a 4,800 square foot addition to accommodate community-building, educational and cultural activities. The requested funds will be used to develop architectural/engineering drawings needed for a building

NMF Award: \$100,000

Community Match: \$50,900

Organization: Friends of Hidmo

Project Name: Hidmo Community Empowerment Project

Project Description:

This project will plan and implement an 8-week summer community school for hard-to-serve middle school aged youth who live or go to school in the Central Area. The project focuses on empowerment and connecting the youth and their families with services in their neighborhood. Youth, their parents, and the surrounding community will participate in 12 monthly, intergenerational forums and establish a structure that can sustain this communication in the future.

NMF Award: \$81,200

Community Match: \$41,500

Organization: West Seattle Trails Association

Project Name: West Seattle Trail Wayfinding Project

Project Description:

Over the last several years, communities of West Seattle have developed a trail network across the peninsula. Though this network exists on maps, there is no signage assisting people who use the trails, or advertising their existence. The West Seattle Trails Association will use this funding to design and install kiosks.

NMF Award: \$99,916

Community Match: \$132,840

Organization: North South Conexions

Project Name: African ConeXion: Bridging Brown and Black Communities through Art

Project Description:

In 2009, The African Conexion will combine the work of local Latino artists, community organizations, Peruvian artists from Teatro Del Milenio and Afro Columbian theater group Birds of Paradise to produce Callejon: the Alley, a bilingual musical play as the culmination of a multi-neighborhood cultural dance, music, and education exchange.

NMF Award: \$34,750
Community Match: \$25,875

Organization: South East Effective Development
Project Name: SEEDArts Capital Campaign: RVCC & CCG Renovation

Project Description:

Renovations will be undertaken at two SEED-owned cultural arts facilities located in Columbia City: the Rainier Valley Cultural Center and the Columbia City Gallery. These facilities serve the youth and residents of one of Seattle's most ethnically and culturally diverse, and most economically challenged, communities.

NMF Award: \$100,000
Community Match: \$248,507

Organization: University District Arts and Heritage Committee
Project Name: University District Museum without Walls

Project Description:

The University District Museum without Walls engages the neighborhood with the unique culture and history of the University District. Funds will be used to design, install, and promote a history exhibit, record and edit oral histories into an audio program, and host four community programs and events.

NMF Award: \$54,912
Community Match: \$56,060

Organization: Campana Quetzal
Project Name: Padres Promotores de la Educacion

Project Description:

Padres Pomotores de la Educacion will work to create an infrastructure for a pipeline to higher education for Latino/Hispanic parents, students, and individuals who live in Seattle by linking universities, community colleges, high schools, public and private organizations to families around the South Park neighborhood.

NMF Award: \$100,000
Community Match: \$66,820

Organization: Seattle Hip Hop Summit Action Network Youth Council
Project Name: Youth Stakeholders Project Phase II

Project Description:

The Seattle Hip-Hop Youth Council proposes Phase II of the Youth Stakeholders Project to employ youth in positive community building activities to increase youth sense of ownership, responsibility and involvement in neighborhood development.

NMF Award: \$100,000

Community Match: \$111,200

Organization: Friends of Madrona Park Woods
Project Name: Madrona Park Creek Daylighting, Final Phase

Project Description:

The overall project daylights and reconnects approximately 1480 lineal feet of natural spring-fed Madrona Park Creek to Lake Washington, located along a threatened juvenile Chinook migration route from the Cedar River to Puget Sound. Specifically, this grant request would help fund creek daylighting and restoration of approximately 460 lineal feet of Madrona Park Creek upper reaches, reconnect 2/3rds of the total creek flow to Lake Washington, and build two ADA-accessible pedestrian bridges over the restored creek in Madrona Park.

NMF Award: \$100,000

Community Match: \$116,696

Organization: Greenwood Sidewalks
Project Name: Greenwood Sidewalks

Project Description:

The purpose of this project is to make it easier for people to work together to get sidewalks in Greenwood. The project includes an easy-to-understand how-to guide to neighborhood organizing, planning, designing, engineering, funding, building, and maintaining both traditional and attractive alternative basic street improvements related to sidewalks in Greenwood. This project also includes the identification of pilot blocks that would become the next steps in concretizing the fruits of this planning project.

NMF Award: \$100,000

Community Match: \$91,527

Organization: Adams Elementary School PTSA

Project Name: Adams Elementary Playground Enhancement

Project Description:

Adams Elementary, in the heart of Ballard, will enhance outdoor play/education opportunities for children in our community. We will install a SuperNova play structure, upgrade our existing play structure to comply with safety codes, create an outdoor-themed wall mural/sculptures and extend the playground, adding basketball courts and wall ball.

NMF Award: \$69,000

Community Match: \$80,176