HOPE HAS A FACE

Basic Needs Giving Partnership
Ending Poverty in Northeast Wisconsin

Community Report 2018
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**BY PARTNERING TOGETHER.**

**STRATEGIES**
Innovation is vital to solving an issue where traditional approaches have resulted in individual successes but little scalable outcomes to reduce poverty.

Collaboration is key as poverty is a complex issue with those in need requiring a multitude of services provided by unique nonprofits.

POINT Poverty Initiative equips nonprofits with continuous improvement tools and initiates the formation of action groups around strategies focused on ending poverty.

**GRANT FOCUS**
We focus on four drivers of poverty:
- Economic Stability
- Education
- Family Support & Social Connectedness
- Health & Wellness

**FUNDING MODEL**
100% of every dollar donated, or $4.13 million this year, goes to community foundations in the region. An additional 4.5% of the fund balance is added to dollars available to grant.

A grantmaking match of $800,000 from the J. J. Keller Foundation and a $200,000 commitment from Oshkosh Corporation, ThedaCare and the Thrivent Foundation lead this effort.

**Thank you to our 2018 partners.**

**Presenting Lead Partner**
- J. J. Keller Foundation, Inc.
- $800,000

**Lead Partners**
- Thrivent Foundation
- ThedaCare
- OSHKOSH
- $200,000

**Presenting Partners**
- Associated Bank
- Community First Federal Credit Union
- Five Points
- The Foshay Foundation
- $50,000 - $199,999

**Community Partners**
- Ascension
- Festival Foods
- Jewelry Mutual
- The Breakthrough Foundation
- $35,000 - $49,999

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- AmeriHeritage
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- Hoffman
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**WE DRIVE CHANGE...**

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$2.2 million in grants distributed
HOPE DRIVES US.

The initiatives funded by the Basic Needs Giving Partnership address complicated, underlying issues that cause generational and situational poverty.

**MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR SPANISH SPEAKERS**

“The support pulled me out of the darkness and made me strong.”  
— SURID

**COLLABORATORS:**
- Apricity Sober Living
- Multiple grants for several sober living homes
- “Transitioning to the next level sober living house has helped me solidify my recovery much more than moving out on my own ever would have.”  
  —JUSTIN

**SERVICEWORKS**

**JOB TRAINING FOR AT-RISK YOUTH**

“Through ServiceWorks I have learned to work as a team, how to communicate appropriately and the importance of a firm handshake.”  
—DEE

**COLLABORATORS:**
- Riverview Gardens
- Essential Elements of Service
- Northeast Wisconsin Center for School-Based Initiatives
- Appleton Area School District

**THE POINT POVERTY INITIATIVE WORK HELPS TO CONTINUOUSLY IMPROVE HOMELESS SERVICES FOR YOUNG PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN.**

**COLLABORATORS:**

- House of Hope
- “Your fingerprints don’t fade from the lives you touch.”  
  —KRISTI

**Resiliency-Based Program for Youth (Algoma Wolf Den)**

“Wolf Den is more than an afterschool program. It is a lifeline, a safe haven, and a home away from home.”  
—ELIZABETH

**COLLABORATORS:**
- School District of Algoma
- UW-Green Bay Social Work Program
- St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran School
- St. Mary’s Catholic School

Spanish Resource Advocate: $46,995 (Year 1 of 3, $150,000 total) Create a single room occupancy program for individuals currently living in shelter, who can pay rent but have barriers that keep them from renting in the housing marketplace. 

Shawano Early Childhood Partnership: $120,000 (Year 1 of 3, $357,523 total) Establish and strengthen a base of excellence for Spanish speakers to seek mental health treatment, education and support in one place, located close to the heart of our region’s Spanish-speaking neighborhoods.

Collaborators: Shawano County Department of Human Services.

Counseling for Low Income Spanish Speakers: $224,050 (Year 2 of 3, $295,900 total). Establish and strengthen a base of excellence for Spanish speakers to seek mental health treatment, education and support in one place, located close to the heart of our region’s Spanish-speaking neighborhoods.

Collaborators: Samaritan Counseling of the Fox Valley, NAMI Fox Valley.

Triumph: $10,320 (Year 1 of 3, $300,000 total) Integrate wraparound mental health care and educational services, helping high school students successfully transition back to their home school after intensive mental health services.

Collaborators: Family Services of Northwest Wisconsin, Kimberly, Kaukauna and Little Chute School Area School Districts.

F.R.E.S.H. Project: $65,804 (Year 2 of 3, $263,283 total) Create a food system that gives low-income families the tools they need to secure healthy foods, improve their health and stretch their food dollars, which will help them move out of poverty.

Collaborators: Shawano United Methodist Church, Shawano County, UW-Extension, Stockbridge-Munsee Community, Menominee Nation, Shawano/ Menominee County Health Departments.

ServiceWorks for At-Risk Youth: $95,420 (Year 2 of 3, $294,056 total) Address unemployment and underemployment as a root cause of homelessness and poverty in high school youth through the ServiceWorks program.

Collaborators: Riverview Gardens, Appleton, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley.

Downeast Appleton CARE Team: $60,970 (Year 3 of 3, $272,142 total) Expand ServiceWorks and reach out to individuals in the community who are in the trauma program that will take place in downtown Appleton.

Collaborators: Riverview Gardens, Appleton Downtown, Inc., City of Appleton.

Neenah School-Based Mental Health: $10,000 (Year 2 of 3, $300,000 total) Develop and implement a comprehensive school-based mental health program for students in grades K-5.

Collaborators: Calapa Health, Neenah Joint School District, NAMI Fox Valley, Samaritan Counseling Center of the Fox Valley.
NEW GRANTS

Supporting Youth Mental Health
Needs: $12,400
Planning grant to use the Results-Based Accountability framework to better understand youth mental health needs and gaps in services, and identify feasible strategies that could be implemented to ensure all youth and their families in the Berlin area have convenient access to case management and mental health services. Collaborators: Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area, Catalpa Health, Berlin Area School District, Green Lake County Health & Human Services

Peer Recovery Support Services: $25,000
Planning grant to support the organic growth, mobilization, and training of Waushara County’s recovery community to develop and offer peer recovery support services in a community where no such services exist today. Collaborators: Family Health/La Clinica de los Campesinos, Inc.

Rock the Block Oshkosh: $100,000 (Year 1 of 3, $300,000 total)
Empower residents to revive their low income neighborhoods and enhance their quality of life by working together on home repair, preservation and beautification projects. Collaborators: Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh, City of Oshkosh, Greater Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods, Inc.

State of the Child Deeper Dive: $15,450
Planning grant to identify and test strategies to address gaps in or scale effective services to improve the state of a child in Winnebago County. Collaborators: Valley Packaging Industries, Child Care Resource and Referral, Winnebago County Health Department & Department of Human Services, Family Services, UW Extension, Fox Valley Early Childhood Coalition, Oshkosh Area United Way, UW Oshkosh Head Start, Oshkosh Area School District, Partnership Community Health Center

Qualitative Study of Youth Suicide-Related Behaviors: $10,000
Conduct a research project to determine why 12-18 year olds in Calumet, Outagamie, and Winnebago Counties are attempting suicide at nearly twice the rate of the rest of the state and national averages in order to develop real, local, targeted prevention and intervention strategies. Collaborators: NEW Mental Health Connection, Newman Joint School District, Outagamie County Public Health, Mosaic Health, Samaritan Counseling for the Fox Valley, Catalpa Health, Winnebago County Public Health, Medical College of Wisconsin

Grade 8 Mental Health Screening in Oshkosh Schools: $17,472 (Year 1 of 2, $27,472 total)
Add 0.35 full-time employee to expand mental health wellness screening to 8th graders, which was planned but put on hold due to the higher than anticipated positive screens in grades 9-12 (expected 30% positive screens and actual is 40%). Collaborators: Samaritan Counseling, Oshkosh Area School District, Catalpa Health

Multi-Year Grant

Recovery House for Men: $35,000 (Year 2 of 3, $70,000 total)
Open a third sober living house for men who no longer require the strict rules that are enforced in Mahalo, the current men’s house, yet who still require some support on their journey of recovery. Collaborators: Apreciity (formerly STEP Industries & The Mooring Programs) and Nova Counseling Services

Oshkosh School-Based Mental Health: $90,000 (Year 2 of 3, $300,000 total)
Launch a comprehensive, school-based mental health program that will allow for earlier detection, increased access to services and heightened awareness aimed at building a culture for mental health, reducing stigma and increasing tolerance. Collaborators: Catalpa Health, Oshkosh Area School District, Samaritan Counseling of the Fox Valley

Vocational Learning at Apreciity: $30,000 (Year 2 of 3, $95,000 total)
Develop a Vocational training center located at Apreciity to expand the educational opportunities for participants and enhance their ability to secure full-time employment or enroll in higher education. Collaborators: Fox Valley Technical College, Apreciity

Note: The grants represented are based on the fiscal year of the fund and the Basic Needs Giving Partnership. Community foundation fiscal years vary.

Regional Grant

JumpStart Auto Repair: $125,000 (Year 1 of 2, $200,000 total)
Fund second and third years of JumpStart, an auto repair business open to the public that uses profits to provide free or low-cost auto services to victims of domestic abuse. Collaborators: Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services, Harbor House Domestic Abuse Programs

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One event.

One mission.

U.S. Venture relies on the expertise and knowledge of area community foundations and their grant teams to oversee and implement the granting process and review.

Nonprofit collaborate and submit grant applications that address drivers of poverty. Grant teams recommend funding for the most impactful proposals in Northeast Wisconsin.

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Thousands served.

$1.6 million in new grants given this year from the Basic Needs Giving Partnership to end poverty in Northeast Wisconsin.

Your partnership makes this possible.
Be a face for hope.

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