

DOOLITTLE GRANTS AWARDED IN 2017

FINAL REPORT

New Organizations

Sankofa Community Empowerment Centers

The grant was provided to support the Sankofa Discussion Circles program for 2017. The Discussion Circles are intergenerational groups of African descendent individuals of all ages, utilizing this format to educate, heal, develop leadership skills, and solutions for the most urgent issues impacting the community.

Julie and Elizabeth Anti-Capitalist Concerts

The grant is to be used to produce a small concert tour, entitled Ecology and Socialism. Reading will be assigned and professors will speak and lead pre and post-concert discussion. The prospective colleges are Smith College and Amherst College

UU Rowe Camp and Conference Center

The grant is to be used to provide funding for Camp Woodside's diversity fund and to increase scholarships for campers from greater NYC, as well as staff and camper training around issues of racial justice and diversity

Legion of Good Will

The grant is to be used to build an early childhood and community center. LGW is part of a multinational organization founded in Brazil. This particular program is located in the high poverty Ironbound district of Newark, New Jersey where a population of Portuguese and Spanish speakers reside

N H World Fellowship

Its mission is to promote social justice and connections between people, communities, and nature through education, recreation, and creative expression. It is an inclusive intergenerational organization that operates a summer camp and conference center. It was founded in 1941 with the theme "In Time of War, Prepare for Peace". It has been called "a progressive oasis."

New Destiny Housing

New Destiny provides low income and previously homeless domestic violence survivors access to permanent housing and freedom from future violence. The program insures access to employment and educational opportunities and enables their children to heal from the trauma of having witnessed the domestic violence.

Sane Energy

This is a grassroots advocacy group of concerned neighbors and advocates working to ban high volume hydraulic fracturing in New York State. Sane Energy's mission is to build a powerful movement for a rapid and just transition to 100% renewable energy in New York City and New York State as well as to

stop the building of the shale gas infrastructure. Sane Energy confronts the fractured gas industry Spectra Energy directly and advises communities in methods of peaceful resistance.

Companion Community Development Alternatives

CoCoDa was established in 1992 as a community development intermediary engaged in collaborative work with Central American NGO's and rural communities improve education, water and sanitation, and public health. In addition COCODA connects U.S. universities, clubs, churches and organizations to worthy Central American projects. Their primary focus: El Salvador and Nicaragua. The planned project is to build six demonstration latrines at community centers and schools in six rural Nicaragua communities where water scarcity and contamination show need. COCODA asks for funding help for three demo sites to be completed by December 2018.

Renewals

Murray Grove Retreat & Renewal Center
Grace Outreach
Doctors Without Borders
Imani House
NYC New Sanctuary Coalition
United Palestinian Appeal
NY Foundation for the Arts (Blued Trees)
People's Voice Café
Global Women's Strike – Women In Dialogue
HEART - Haiti Education & Resources Team
WBAI - FM Radio

Memberships

The Ali Forney Center
Center for Constitutional Rights
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc.
Fortune Society
Interfaith Assembly for Homelessness and Housing
Interfaith Alliance
Interfaith IMPACT of New York State
Murray Hill Neighborhood Association
NAACP Legal Defense & Education Fund
NAACP National Headquarters
New York Civil Liberties Union
Queens Pride House
Unitarian Universalist Service Committee
Unitarian United Nations Office
Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation