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The Fund for New Jersey Awards \$730,000 in Grants

Princeton, NJ – The Trustees of [The Fund for New Jersey](#) awarded \$730,000 in grants to non-profit organizations at their March 2017 quarterly Board meeting. Grants were awarded to [nine organizations](#) in the areas of immigration, affordable housing, and education.

Kiki Jamieson, President of The Fund for New Jersey, stated, “The Fund for New Jersey is particularly proud to stand by immigrant justice advocates working to protect and defend undocumented immigrants and New Jersey’s diverse communities in these tumultuous times. With the third highest percentage of immigrants (22% of New Jersey residents) among states in the U.S. and approximately 500,000 undocumented immigrants, it is critical for New Jersey to stand by its residents. New Jersey benefits from the civic, social, and economic contributions of immigrants. The Fund is proud to support its grantees who advocate on behalf of and in solidarity with New Jersey’s immigrant residents and their families.”

Grants awarded in March 2017 include:

Immigration

- An \$85,000 program grant to [American Friends Service Committee](#) to advance policies to prevent detention of undocumented immigrants and to ensure more humane conditions of detention.
- A \$50,000 general operating grant to [Faith in New Jersey](#) to advance strong state and municipal policies that will improve opportunities for New Jersey’s immigrant residents in partnership with Wind of the Spirit.
- A \$50,000 general operating grant to [Make the Road New Jersey](#) to advance strong local and state policies and empower immigrants to fully participate in policymaking to create a more welcoming Garden State.
- A \$125,000 general operating grant to [New Jersey Alliance for Immigrant Justice](#) to build a strong statewide coalition to advance immigrant-friendly state and local policies in New Jersey,



with an emphasis on advancing its model Fair and Welcoming policy and developing an effective communications strategy.

- A \$50,000 general operating grant to [Wind of the Spirit](#) to advance strong state and municipal policies that will improve opportunities for New Jersey's immigrant residents in partnership with Faith in New Jersey.

Affordable Housing

- A \$160,000 general operating grant to [Fair Share Housing Center](#) to expand access to housing that is affordable in geographic areas of opportunity and to combat residential segregation.
- A \$100,000 general operating grant to the [Housing and Community Development Network of New Jersey](#) to advance state and federal policies that expand access to housing that is affordable and to combat homelessness.

Education

- A \$45,000 general operating grant to [Advocates for Children of New Jersey](#) to protect federal programs for children, expand the availability of and access to preschool, and to advance other policies that benefit low-income children and their families.
- A \$65,000 general operating grant to New Jersey Coalition for Diverse and Inclusive Schools, Inc. to address segregation in New Jersey's public schools and to develop remedies that foster integration.

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