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## The Fund for New Jersey Awards \$920,000 in Grants

**Princeton, NJ** – The Trustees of <u>The Fund for New Jersey</u> awarded \$920,000 in grants to <u>11</u> nonprofit organizations at their second quarterly Board meeting of 2022. Grants were awarded to organizations in the areas of democracy, racial justice, climate change, and the environment.

Kiki Jamieson, President of The Fund for New Jersey, stated, "We are pleased to continue investing in organizations advocating for fairer representation of communities of color, organizations like the American Civil Liberties Union NJ, New Jersey Institute for Social Justice, New Jersey Citizen Action Education Fund, and the League of Women Voters of NJ continue to be strong advocates of inclusive policies that enhance our democracy, increase civic engagement and promote social and economic justice."

## Grants awarded in March 2022 include:

## **Democracy & Racial Justice**

- A \$100,000 operating grant to the <u>American Civil Liberties Union of New Jersey</u> to support police reform, protect reproductive rights, and advance racial justice in New Jersey.
- A \$100,000 operating grant to the <u>New Jersey Institute for Social Justice</u> to advance racial and economic justice and to expand voting rights in New Jersey.
- A \$75,000 operating grant to the <u>League of Women Voters of New Jersey</u> to advance voting rights and to protect democracy in New Jersey.
- A \$100,000 operating grant to <u>New Jersey Citizen Action Education Fund</u> to advance public policy solutions that foster health care access, affordable coverage, and increase housing and economic security for all New Jerseyans.

## **Climate Change and Environment**

- A \$75,000 operating grant to <u>New Jersey Work Environment Council</u> to advance policies on climate change and clean energy while advocating for labor provisions that include "green jobs" for marginalized and displaced workers, through leadership of the Jersey Renews Coalition.
- A \$75,000 operating grant to <u>Environment New Jersey Research and Policy Center</u> to advance climate and clean energy policies that promote electrification and equitable transportation through leadership of the Jersey Renews coalition.
- A \$50,000 operating grant to <u>Association of NJ Environmental Commissions</u> to advance state and local policies that improve water quality, combat the climate crisis, and end plastic pollution.
- A \$85,000 operating grant to <u>Eastern Environmental Law Center</u> to provide legal representation and expertise to advance climate resiliency, promote clean energy, and protect water quality.
- A \$50,000 program grant to <u>New Jersey Conservation Foundation</u> to advance policies that mitigate climate change through natural resource conservation principles.
- A \$50,000 operating grant to the <u>New Jersey Highlands Coalition</u> to advance and enforce policies that protect the natural resources of the Highlands region.
- A \$50,000 operating grant to the <u>Pinelands Preservation Alliance</u> to advance and enforce policies that protect the natural resources of the Pinelands region.
- A \$60,000 grant initiative to develop an environmental conservation policy agenda with a racial equity lens.

<u>The Fund for New Jersey</u> works to improve the quality of public policy decision-making on the most significant issues affecting the people of New Jersey and our region. For 50 years, The Fund has supported organizations and initiatives that advance systemic and sustainable solutions to public problems through the work of policy, advocacy, analysis, and organizing.