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The Fund for New Jersey Awards \$540,000 in Grants

Princeton, NJ - The Trustees of <u>The Fund for New Jersey</u> awarded \$540,000 in grants to eight nonprofit organizations at their third quarterly Board meeting of 2023. Grants were awarded to organizations in the areas of lead poisoning prevention, education, and democracy.

Kiki Jamieson, President of The Fund for New Jersey, stated, "This quarter, we are thrilled to support grantees prioritizing the overall well-being of children and youth, from lead poisoning prevention, to promoting fair and equitable education, to empowering youth leaders in the Black and Latinx communities to pursue democracy and racial justice. We are proud to continue investing in organizations advocating for New Jersey's future generations."

Grants awarded in September 2023 include:

Lead Poisoning Prevention:

- A \$75,000 operating grant to <u>New Jersey Future</u> to eliminate childhood lead poisoning in New Jersey through co-convening and providing backbone staff support to the Lead-Free New Jersey collaborative.
- A \$75,000 operating grant to <u>Green & Healthy Homes Initiative</u> to eliminate childhood lead poisoning in New Jersey through co-convening the Lead-Free New Jersey collaborative.
- A \$90,000 program grant to the Lead Free New Jersey Community Mobilization Hubs (<u>East Trenton Collaborative</u>, <u>Paterson Alliance</u>, and Greater Newark Area Hub) to eliminate childhood lead poisoning in New Jersey via the Lead-Free New Jersey collaborative; centering the perspectives of those most impacted by lead hazards.

Education and Democracy

- A \$100,000 operating grant to <u>Education Law Center</u> to advance well-funded, equitable public education in New Jersey.
- A \$100,000 operating grant to <u>Salvation and Social Justice</u> to advance the rights, interests, and influence of New Jersey's Black communities through grassroots

- organizing and policy advocacy.
- A \$100,000 operating to <u>Latino Action Network</u> to advance the rights, interests, and influence of New Jersey's Latino residents through grassroots organizing and policy advocacy.

The Fund for New Jersey 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 more than 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.

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