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The Fund for New Jersey Awards \$715,000 in Grants

Princeton, NJ – The Trustees of [The Fund for New Jersey](#) awarded \$715,000 in grants to non-profit organizations at their December 2016 quarterly Board meeting. Grants were awarded to [ten organizations](#) in the areas of public media, anti-poverty, civil rights & criminal justice, HIV/AIDS prevention and non-profit advocacy.

Kiki Jamieson, President of The Fund for New Jersey, stated, “The Fund for New Jersey is proud to support organizations at the forefront of public policy research, advocacy, and organizing to bring change in these uncertain times. The Fund is also looking forward to collaboration and coalition building among its grantees moving forward. Strong and reliable public media, social safety net protections, and a fair justice system are always important and will be even more so during times of political change.”

Grants awarded in December 2016 include:

Public Media

- A \$65,000 program grant to [New Jersey Public Radio](#) to educate the public about public policy issues affecting New Jersey and to foster a robust democracy by engaging audiences as active citizens.
- A \$100,000 general operating grant to [NJ Spotlight](#) to inform and engage New Jersey residents through in-depth and high-quality public policy and news analysis.

Anti-Poverty

- A \$75,000 general operating grant to [Anti-Poverty Network](#) to support advocacy and public policy that prevent, reduce, and eventually eliminate poverty among New Jersey residents while promoting policy solutions that mitigate structural racism.
- A \$100,000 program grant to [John. J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development](#) to develop and demonstrate effective and efficient strategies for reducing long-term unemployment in New Jersey through evaluation of the New Start Career Network.



- A \$100,000 program grant to [Legal Services of New Jersey – Poverty Research Institute](#) to increase awareness among the public and decision-makers about the extent of poverty and to advocate for a robust social safety net.
- A \$125,000 general operating grant to [New Jersey Policy Perspective](#) to promote investment and opportunity in New Jersey through analysis and advocacy on the state budget, economic security, federal safety net programs, and immigration.

Other

- A \$25,000 general operating grant to [Center for Non-Profits](#) to foster policies that broaden the impact and improve the effectiveness of the non-profit sector in New Jersey and to advance diversity within the sector.
- A \$25,000 program grant to [Hyacinth AIDS Foundation](#) to ensure that those living with HIV/AIDS in New Jersey have access to necessary services and to reduce rates of HIV/AIDS infection in New Jersey.
- A \$50,000 program grant to [Rutgers Criminal and Youth Justice Clinic](#) to advance reforms of New Jersey's juvenile justice system to better serve vulnerable youth through legal advocacy and to contribute leadership in the Youth Justice New Jersey Decarceration campaign.
- A \$50,000 general operating grant to [Save Our Schools New Jersey Community Organizing](#) to protect and improve New Jersey's public schools for the benefit of all children, to empower parents to fully participate in education policymaking, and to investigate development of community schools.

[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 40 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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