

2004 Grants

ARTS AND CULTURE

[Boston Center for the Arts](#)

Boston MA

Libbie Shufro, President & CEO

Operating support in the amount of \$175,000.00 payable over two years to implement a five-year strategic plan for its campus of visual and performing arts.

[Center for Cultural Exchange](#)

Portland ME

Phyllis O'Neill, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years for educational programs focused on preserving cultural heritage of immigrant populations in Maine.

[Concord Community Music School](#)

Concord NH

Peggy Senter, President

Project support in the amount of \$175,000.00 payable over two years for the Music in the Community Initiative, including scholarships and financial aid for students, and community partnership programs.

[Huntington Theatre Company, Inc.](#)

Boston MA

Michael Maso, Managing Director

Project support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years to meet a challenge from the Massachusetts Cultural Council to establish an endowment fund to permanently support youth outreach and education programs.

[The Institute of Contemporary Art \(ICA\)](#)

Boston MA

Jill Medvedow, James Sachs Plaut Director

Capital support in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 payable over four years for the Campaign for the New ICA, to build a new museum on Fan Pier in Boston.

[Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum](#)

Boston MA

Ann Hawley, Norma Jean Calderwood Director

Capital and endowment support in the amount of \$450,000.00 payable over two years to upgrade gallery lighting and wiring and to grow the endowment fund.

[Jose Mateo's Ballet Theatre](#)

Cambridge MA

Scott Fraser, Managing Director

Capital support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year to create two additional studio spaces as part of long-term facility renovations of the historic Old Cambridge Baptist Church.

[Lake Champlain Maritime Museum at Basin Harbor, Inc.](#)

Vergennes VT

Arthur B. Cohn, Executive Director

Trustee discretionary grant for project support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year for the Lake Champlain Sloop project, to research, explore and document three shipwrecked sloops under Lake Champlain, and for the Longboats Program, a boat building and rowing program for at-risk youth.

[Longy School of Music](#)

Cambridge MA

Kwang-Wu Kim, President

Project support in the amount of \$175,000.00 payable over two years to integrate community outreach into Longy's conservatory curriculum, and to redesign scholarship and financial aid programs.

[Madison Park Development Corporation](#)

Boston MA

Candelaria Silva, Director, ACT Roxbury

Capital support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years to create the Roxbury Center for Arts, Culture and Trade, in the renovated historic Hibernian Hall, including rehearsal, performance, studio, office and exhibit space for local artists, cultural organizations and community members.

[Maine Cultural Affairs Council](#)

Augusta ME

Alden Wilson, Director, Maine Arts Commission

Project support in the amount of \$60,000.00 payable over one year to implement creative economy initiatives in three pilot communities in Maine, focused on downtown revitalization through the arts.

[Maine Historical Society](#)

Portland ME

Steve Bromage, Director of Education

Project support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over two years for the Maine Community Heritage Project, to develop teams of schools and local historical societies in five communities to use the Maine Memory Network, a statewide digital museum, to promote community history.

[MYTOWN, Inc. \(Multicultural Youth Tour Of What's Now\)](#)

Boston MA

Marinell Rousmaniere, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years to expand outreach, curriculum and training for community groups interested in using neighborhood-based history to engage youth.

[Museum of Afro-American History](#)

Boston MA

Beverly Morgan-Welch, Executive Director

Capital support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over two years to purchase a building adjacent to the Meeting House to house the new Museum Archives and Library.

[Museum of Fine Arts, Boston](#)

Boston MA

Malcolm Rogers, Ann & Graham Gund Director

Project support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over one year for the conservation of a mosaic excavated in the ancient city of Antioch.

[Peabody Essex Museum](#)

Salem MA

Dan Monroe, Executive Director

Capital support in the amount of \$200,000.00 payable over two years for the construction and renovation of Museum facilities, including new exhibition space, an auditorium and the rebuilding of a 200 year old historic Chinese house.

[Shakespeare & Company](#)

Lenox MA

Tina Packer, Artistic Director

Capital support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year to restore buildings on the Lenox campus, to bring all rehearsal, training, and education programs on site.

Vermont Arts Exchange (VAE)

North Bennington VT

Patricia Pedreira, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year for a collaborative project with the Massachusetts Cultural Council to use the arts as a treatment for patients with chronic disease at health care facilities in Massachusetts and Vermont.

[Vermont Council on Rural Development](#)

Montpelier VT

Paul Costello, Director

Project support in the amount of \$75,000.00 payable over one year for the Vermont Program in Culture and Innovation, to conduct public outreach and education in support of Vermont's Creative Economy efforts.

[The Vermont Folklife Center](#)

Middlebury VT

Jane Beck

Executive Director

Trustee discretionary grant for operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year to document and preserve the cultural heritage and traditions of Vermont.

EDUCATION

[Antioch New England Institute](#)

Keene NH

Delia Clark, Director, Project CO-SEED

Project support in the amount of \$640,000.00 payable over four years to expand Project CO-SEED, a place-based education program, to three additional sites in Maine.

[Cathedral High School](#)

Boston MA

Christol Murch, Principal

Operating support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over one year to build school's development capacity as it transitions from Archdiocese support and continues to serve inner-city youth.

[The Children's Museum](#)

Boston MA

Lou Casagrande, President

Project support in the amount of \$200,000.00 payable over two years to develop programs for underserved Boston parents and their preschool children in collaboration with Head Start and the Boston Public Schools.

[The Community School](#)

Camden ME

Emanuel Pariser, Co-Director

Operating support in the amount of \$75,000.00 payable over one year to build development capacity and meet operational needs while continuing to serve its population of low income adolescent high school dropouts.

[Compass Project](#)

Portland ME

Patricia Ryan, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years for an experiential learning program using boatbuilding, rowing and sailing to capture the interest of at-risk youth struggling to stay in school.

[Crossroads Academy](#)

Lyme NH

Jean Behnke, Head of School

Trustee discretionary grant for capital support in the amount of \$200,000.00 payable over one year to add 20,000 square feet of flexible auditorium and classroom space to the campus.

[DePauw University](#)

Greencastle IN

Robert Bottoms, President

Trustee discretionary grant for project support in the amount of \$200,000.00 payable over one year to support operations, start up costs, and programming for the newly opened Nature Park.

[Epiphany School](#)

Dorchester MA

John Finley, Head of School

Operating support in the amount of \$75,000.00 payable over one year for an alternative middle school that provides comprehensive services for at-risk Boston youth, during completion of a major endowment and capacity- building campaign.

[Gulf of Maine Research Institute](#)

Portland ME

John Terry, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$75,000.00 payable over one year to develop the Gulf of Maine Research Laboratory's Public Interface, a digital learning environment program that connects students with locally relevant marine science and research.

Just for Girls
Bradenton FL

Becky Canesse, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year to serve disadvantaged girls in Manatee County with out-of-school educational and developmental programs.

[Maine Equal Justice Partners, Inc.](#)

Augusta ME

Mary T. Henderson, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$116,500.00 payable over two years to develop strategies to improve access to higher education for low-wage workers and to effect changes in programs and policies to maximize opportunities in education.

[Merrimack College](#)

North Andover MA

Richard J. Santagati, President

Project support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for the Lawrence Math and Science Partnership, providing summer and after-school science and math tutoring for middle school Latino and Asian students.

[Montshire Museum of Science](#)

Norwich VT

David Goudy, Director

Trustee discretionary grant for capital support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for The Access Project to expand access and parking at the Museum for visitors and staff.

[Partakers, Inc.](#)

Cambridge MA

Jeannette Hanlon, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years for the College Beyond Bars program, to support prisoners as they pursue a college education.

[The Posse Foundation, Inc.](#)

New York NY

Deborah Bial, President

Trustee discretionary grant for operating support of the Boston office in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year to recruit and train teams of students from urban high schools to attend top colleges and universities.

[The Project for Supported Living \(PSL\)](#)

Portland ME

Peter Brown, Program Manager, STRIVE U

Capital support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for residential facilities at STRIVE U, a post-secondary program for young adults with developmental disabilities.

[Snelling Center for Government, Inc.](#)

Burlington VT

Jan Eastman, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year to strengthen the leadership capacities of educators while creating a network of educators, schools and communities to improve the quality of education delivered to Vermont's children.

[The Right Question Project, Inc.](#)

Cambridge MA

Dan Rothstein and Luz Santana, Co-Directors

Project support in the amount of \$525,000.00 payable over three years for a collaborative project to build skills for self-sufficiency among adult learners in northern New England using Right Question Project's self-advocacy educational methods.

[The Steppingstone Foundation](#)

Boston MA

Michael Danzinger, President

Operating support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over two years to increase the capacity of The Steppingstone Academy, a program which prepares underprivileged schoolchildren to succeed at the top independent and public exam schools in Boston.

[Vermont Center for the Book](#)

Chester VT

Sally Anderson, Executive Director

Program support in the amount of \$400,000.00 payable over two years to expand the training of early childhood educators in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts through the Mother Goose Cares curriculum.

[Vermont Institute of Natural Science \(VINS\)](#)

Woodstock VT

Sherman Kent, Executive Director

Capital support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year to help build an environmental education center at its new location in Quechee, Vermont.

ENVIRONMENT

[1000 Friends of Florida](#)

Tallahassee FL

Charles Pattison, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$175,000.00 payable over three years for the Florida Panhandle Initiative, to improve land use planning through communications, outreach, and community support.

[Alternatives for Community and Environment, Inc. \(ACE\)](#)

Roxbury MA

Penn Loh, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years to assist low income communities and communities of color in improving health, environment and quality of life in greater Boston.

[Building Materials Resource Center](#)

Roxbury MA

Matthew St. Onge, Executive Director

Capital support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for the Building Materials Resource Center Expansion Project.

[Chelsea Creek Action Partnership](#)

East Boston MA

Stacey Chacker, Director of Community Building and Environment, NOAH

Project support in the amount of \$185,000.00 payable over three years to transform the contaminated Chelsea Creek into a recreational, environmental, educational and economic resource for residents of East Boston and Chelsea.

[Cobscook Bay Resource Center](#)

Eastport ME

Will Hopkins, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years to monitor and understand the Cobscook Bay ecosystem and to promote the economic health of the region.

[Friends of Casco Bay](#)

South Portland ME

Cathy Ramsdell, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years to fund staff expansion, strategic planning, and program development.

Gasparilla Island Conservation and Improvement Association, Inc.

Boca Grande FL

Misty Nabers, Executive Director

Trustee discretionary grant for capital support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year to support land acquisition for conservation on Gasparilla Island, and to help establish an endowment for maintenance of a bike path used by Gasparilla Island residents, guests, and workers.

[The Intervale Foundation](#)

Burlington VT

Kit Perkins, Executive Director

Trustee discretionary grant for capital and project support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year to expand the Farm Ventures Program, restore a 1920s dairy barn on the Calkins Farmstead site and incubate the dairy under the auspices of the Farm Venture Program.

[Lake Champlain Land Trust](#)

Burlington VT

Peter Espenshade, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over three years for its Underserved Communities Project, to promote collaboration between the Lake Champlain Land Trust and conservation organizations in each of 17 underserved Vermont towns on Lake Champlain.

[National Wildlife Federation, Northeast Natural Resource Center](#)

Montpelier VT

Eric Palola, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$70,511.62 payable over one year to integrate wildlife and habitat considerations into transportation planning through pilot projects in Vermont and Florida.

[New England Grassroots Environment Fund \(NEGEF\)](#)

Montpelier VT

Cheryl King Fischer, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$25,000.00 payable over one year to expand training programs for grantees and partners.

[Nuestras Raices, Inc.](#)

Holyoke MA

Daniel Ross, Executive Director

Capital support in the amount of \$300,000.00 payable over two years for the Tierra de Oportuniades Project, to purchase farm land on the outskirts of Holyoke for micro-enterprise, youth development and environmental activities.

[Open Space Institute Inc.](#)

New York NY

Peter Howell, Director of Conservation Finance

Capital support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over one year for the Northern Forest Protection Fund, which provides grants and loans to land trusts working to protect the large forests of northern New England.

[Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, Florida Chapter](#)

Tallahassee FL

Ken Bryan, State Director

Operating support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year to provide technical assistance to local communities working to develop regional trail and greenway systems in Florida.

[Save the Harbor/Save the Bay](#)

Boston MA

Patricia Foley, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over two years to pursue improvements to water quality and access to Boston Harbor through policy, advocacy and education.

[Shelburne Farms](#)

Shelburne VT

Alec Webb, President

Trustee discretionary grant for capital support in the amount of \$125,000.00 payable over one year for Phase I of the Land Stewardship Project.

[Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests](#)

Concord NH

Jane Dillfey, President

Project support in the amount of \$150,000.00 payable over two years for the Quabbin to Cardigan Conservation Collaborative, to promote collaborative approaches to land conservation in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

[Vermont Land Trust](#)

Montpelier VT

Darby Bradley, President

Trustee discretionary grant for operating support in the amount of \$75,000.00 payable over one year for land conservation, stewardship activities and local community engagement.

[Vermont Youth Conservation Corps](#)

Waterbury VT

Thomas Hark, President

Operating and capital support in the amount of \$225,000.00 payable over three years to renovate and preserve a historically significant barn and adjacent land parcel, to house the Corps' training, education and administration functions, and to support general operations.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

[The Abortion Access Project](#)

Cambridge MA

Susan Yanow

Director, New Abortion Provider Training Initiative

Project support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for the Family Practice Initiative to build capacity and train family practice physicians in Massachusetts and Maine in abortion care, and to promote inclusion of abortion services at community health centers and other local primary care sites.

Androscoggin Valley Partnership Project

Gorham NH

Catherine McDowell, Executive Director, Family Resource Center

Project support in the amount of \$200,000.00 payable over two years for the Androscoggin Valley Partnership Project to strengthen a community/employer collaboration focused on community health and welfare by expanding workforce development, educational opportunities, and family and health support services.

[Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation](#)

Boston MA

Larry Tye, Director, Health Coverage Fellowship

Staff discretionary grant in the amount of \$7,500.00 payable over one year to expand the New England Health Coverage Fellowship program that encourages stronger reporting and that improves contact with target audiences by supporting the participation of a journalist from Vermont.

[The Carsey Institute for Families and Children](#)

Durham NH

Mil Duncan, Director

Operating support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for outreach, training and research programs in the human services, health and community development areas serving northern New England's working poor families, rural communities, and small cities and towns.

[CHAIN \(Community Health Action Information Network\)](#)

Plantation FL

Lisa Margulis, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year to expand health access education and outreach to underserved communities in Florida.

[Charlotte County Habitat for Humanity](#)

Port Charlotte FL

Ronald Thomas, Executive Director

Trustee discretionary grant for operating support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year to help increase production of affordable housing in the aftermath of Hurricane Charley, and to construct a center for housing volunteers.

[Community Catalyst](#)

Boston MA

Robert Restuccia, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$350,000.00 payable over one year for the RealBenefits Initiative, using innovative technology to improve the health and welfare of low and moderate income families by accessing work support and other public benefits, such as health insurance, food stamps and child care.

[Crotched Mountain Foundation](#)

Greenfield NH

Donald L. Shumway, President

Capital support in the amount of \$200,000.00 payable over two years to improve the lives of people living with disabilities and the workforce by supporting the physical transformation of Crotched Mountain into a unique residential, education and treatment community, showcasing co-housing development, green design, accessible recreation and land conservation.

[Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center](#)

Lebanon NH

Suellen Peluso, Director of Foundation & Corporate Relations

Trustee discretionary grant for capital support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year for the Project for Progress, a capital campaign to expand health and health-related facilities.

[Genesis Community Loan Fund](#)

Damariscotta ME

Garrett Martin, Director of Development & Special Projects

Capital support in the amount of \$220,000.00 payable over two years to launch the Island Challenge Fund based at the Maine Community Foundation to assist Maine's year-round, residential islands develop affordable housing and health, social services and community facilities, and operating support for technical assistance to local organizations.

[Health Care For All](#)

Boston MA

John E. McDonough, Executive Director

Staff discretionary grant in the amount for \$5,000.00 payable over one year to support the second annual Health Action Conference in late winter 2005, to focus a broad constituency on local and statewide goals and strategies for policy change in Massachusetts.

[Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers for the Disabled](#)

Boston MA

Judi Zazula, Outreach and Education Officer

Capital support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over one year for a new monkey training center designed to improve the lives of severely disabled people by providing highly skilled monkey helpers to quadraplegic individuals.

[Massachusetts Law Reform Institute](#)

Boston MA

Allan Rodgers, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for the Food Stamp Advocacy Project to focus on policy and administrative advocacy for systemic changes in the food stamp program in Massachusetts.

[National Network of Abortion Funds \(NNAF\)](#)

Amherst MA

Stephanie Poggi, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for capacity-building of Florida's Funds, providing financial support, counseling, referral services, training, organizational development, grassroots organizing and fundraising support for poor women seeking abortion/reproductive health services.

[North Country Health Consortium](#)

Littleton NH

Martha Mcleod, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$225,000.00 payable over two years to support North Country Cares, a community care coordination initiative to improve access

to health care and human services in New Hampshire's North Country communities.

[One Family, Inc.](#)

Boston MA

Marjorie Clapprood, Executive Director

Project support in the amount of \$240,000.00 payable over two years to expand the One Family Scholars program to end family homelessness by providing educational scholarships and comprehensive social supports to motivated homeless or at-risk mothers seeking to improve their lives and create self-sufficiency for themselves and their families in Massachusetts.

[Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute](#)

Bronx NY

Steven Dawson, President

Operating support in the amount of \$900,000.00 payable over two years to create the northern New England LEADS Institute (Leadership, Education and Advocacy for Direct care/Support), a collaboration of partners that will offer training and support for front-line caregivers providing long-term care services and that will encourage health care access for health workers in the region.

[Treehouse Foundation](#)

Medfield MA

Judith Cockerton, Executive Director

Operating support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for an intergenerational initiative that provides permanent families and community supports for foster and adopted children and their families.

[Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine](#)

North Grafton MA

Mark Pokras, D.V.M., Director, Wildlife Clinic and Tufts Center for Conservation Medicine

Project support in the amount of \$100,000.00 payable over two years for veterinary student training in conservation medicine focused on linking human and animal health and welfare, and ecological health in New England, while building institutional collaboration.

University of Maine System

Augusta ME

Patricia Tanski, Smith Center, Senior Policy Analyst

Staff discretionary grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 payable over one year to support Tough Choices in Health Care: MaineSpeaks, the first statewide, large-scale public engagement process, to help inform development of an innovative state health plan in Maine.

[Youth Alternatives, Inc.](#)

Portland ME

Lucky Hollander, Vice President of Advocacy & Prevention Services

Project support in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over one year for the Linkage Project, to develop statewide training, community education and advocacy to develop policies and practices that prevent child and animal abuse, by connecting the causes and experience of animal abuse and family violence, and by providing tools for prevention of abuse to children and animals.

MEMBERSHIPS

[Associated Grant Makers](#)

Boston MA

Ron Ancrum

President

Staff discretionary grant in the amount of \$6,750.00 payable over one year for membership in the regional association of Massachusetts grantmakers.

[Grantmakers in the Arts](#)

Seattle WA

Anne Focke, Executive Director

Staff discretionary grant in the amount of \$300.00 payable over one year for membership in a national network of arts grantmakers.

[Maine Philanthropy Center](#)

Portland ME

Janet Henry, President

Staff discretionary support in the amount of \$1,500.00 payable over one year for membership in regional association of Maine grantmakers.
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