

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS GRANTS – YEAR FOUR

Awarded JULY 2009

Group Name	Code	GNI Neighborhood	Amount Awarded	Project Name/Description	Notes
Mujeres del Arte	1-6/09	Vernor	\$3,400	Piñata Making Work Shop / To help twenty to twenty-five youth ages 10 to 18 learn about the history/origin of piñatas and how to make them. The program will take place from July 17 through September 6 on each Tuesday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., for a total of twelve classes. Participants will make three types of piñatas.	Berman Funding Requested
Purity Mentoring Group	2-7/09	Brightmoor	\$2,044	Respect / To give ten to fifteen girls, ages 16 to 18, tips on hygiene and grooming, good manners in general and table manners, table setting, dressing properly for every occasion, and more, to work towards development of their self esteem and social skills. Meetings will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays for six weeks beginning July 28. A booklet of what is taught will be created and tea party is planned upon completion of the girls' education.	
Westside Cultural Club	3-7/09	Chadsey/Condon	\$4,830	WCAC Summer Club / To provide a six-week summer program for about one hundred and fifty youth ages 5 to 18, from July 6 through August 14. The four day per week program will take place from noon to 4:30 p.m. on M, T, W, and Th. Life skills, nutrition classes, history, arts and crafts, basketball, baseball, field trips, a talent show and an Olympic day are planned. There will be a reflections dinner for the youth and their parents at the end of the program.	
Abundant Changes Community Outreach	4-7/09	North End/ Central	\$2,790	Youth Artist Project / To offer the six-week, Monday through Friday, Y.A.P. program from about July 7 – August 14 to thirty youth ages 12 to 19 in celebration of the arts of arts and crafts, dance, drama, and music. They will engage in the enhancement of their skills in these areas. Parents, volunteers, resident artists, and staff will conduct empowerment assemblies from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. followed by classes from 10:00 to noon. After lunch, show rehearsals will be held from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.	Berman Funding Requested

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Young Writers' Workshop	6-7/09	Brightmoor	\$1,872	<p>Young Writers' Workshop / To encourage academic growth by teaching fifteen participants ages 10 to 16 the basic components involved in the writing process. The two-week program, beginning August 3 and ending August 14, will consist of two-hour sessions for those five days. Youth will find a topic, develop the theme and a rough draft, and complete their work. At the conclusion of the workshop, there will be presentations and an open review where students may critique each other's work. One literary work will be featured at the 4th Annual Pastors' Kid Association Awards Celebration.</p>	<p>Per Confirmation: That group is eligible for funding. They are possibly for-profit.</p>
National Black Operations Business Association	7-7/09	Brightmoor	\$2,020	<p>Youth Community Empowerment / To initiate this community project for twenty youth ages 14 to 17 to take place on ten Saturdays beginning August 1. Four sessions will focus on four areas in which they can implement and initiate positive change in themselves and their community, will have guest speakers, and will include field trips to expose them to areas of community service. Sessions will address voter registration and political empowerment, positive dispute resolution, resume building and employment, and higher education. Positive dispute resolution will be the focus of the final four sessions.</p>	
Cody Rouge Faith Alliance	9-7/09	Cody-Rouge	\$3,150	<p>Community Unity Celebration / For the Faith Alliance Task Force to sponsor two events to run concurrently for 400 participants ages 6 to 21. The first event is a slogan and logo contest to develop a branding/trademark to identify and distinguish Cody-Rouge as an organization. The second event will be a Community Unity Celebration held on Sunday, August 2nd, involving various choirs, an African drumming group, the Majestic Youth Theatre Troupe, singing groups, liturgical dancers, mimes, and musicians. A reception is planned after the celebration.</p>	

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En Garde! Detroit	10-7/09	Osborn	\$3,657	"It's Not Just Fencing" / For 20 to 30 youth ages 8 to 16 to learn fencing through the En Garde! Program, Mon. and Fri. from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., July 16 through August 14, to introduce them to a culturally enriching sport to increase their ability to focus and perform in their academics while reinforcing the need for a healthy, more physical lifestyle. A tournament and a field trip are planned.	Provided: Confirmation that youth participants are at the ready
Vernor Community Yellow Tigers Martial Arts Club	16-7/09	Vernor	\$3,500	The Yellow Tigers Summer Program Martial Arts Club / To provide thirty youth, kindergarten through high school age, structured physical and recreational activities in a culturally diverse and physically oriented system utilizing a wide range of body and mind conditioning techniques from a variety of martial arts disciplines that will combat childhood obesity. Students will be instructed in the history of martial arts and how Yellow Tigers' philosophies are woven from that history. Classes are M, W, F, and Saturday. Students are given a pre-physical fitness exam at the beginning of the program.	
Holbrook/King Block Club	17-7/09	North End/ Central	\$3,490	Family Fun Day in the North End / For the free, 3 rd Annual Community Youth Day to allow approximately 400 children ages 7 to 18 to recreate in a safe fun atmosphere within their neighborhood with more senior members in the community. Old fashioned games such as sack races, and kickball will be offered along with a bouncer and train rides. Refreshments and a keepsake memento of the day will be given to the participants. Seventeen youth will perform as part of the larger community event.	
Developing Kingdoms in Different Stages	18-7/09	Cody-Rouge	\$3,500	Summer Fun in Cody-Rouge / To provide a free summer program for thirty-five to forty youth ages 5 to 13. It will take place Mon, Tues., and Wed., July 6 through August 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Workshops offered focus on health, character, peer pressure, leadership, responsibility, goal creation, and education. The recreational activities include basketball, dance, crafts, art, team-building activities, etiquette, employment readiness, gardening, and science experiments.	

JULY – 11 total awarded = \$34,253	11 total awarded YTD = \$34,253
2 total for Vernor = \$6,900	Total YTD – 2 for Vernor = \$6,900
1 total for Chadsey/Condon = \$4,830	Total YTD – 1 for Chadsey/Condon = \$4,830
3 total for Brightmoor = \$5,936	Total YTD – 3 for Brightmoor = \$5,936
1 total for Osborn = \$3,657	Total YTD – 1 for Osborn = \$3,657
2 total for Cody-Rouge = \$6,650	Total YTD – 2 for Cody-Rouge = \$6,650
2 total for North End = \$6,280	Total YTD – 2 for North End = \$6,280

Awarded AUGUST 2009

Group Name	Code	GNI Neighborhood	Amount Awarded	Project Name/Description	Notes
City Mission	5-8/09	Brightmoor	\$2,000	City Mission Flag Football / To repeat the successful after school flag football program/league started in the fall of 2008, for youth ages 5 to 15. There will be twelve teams with two coaches each and twenty volunteers performing other functions. From September through October running will take place every Saturday. In September, a Punt, Pass, and Kick contest will be conducted with the NFL. An end-of-the-year academic all-star game is planned for participants who improved or maintained their grades throughout the season.	
Master Bey's Tae Kwon Do & Dung-Fu Institute	8-8/09	Cody-Rouge	\$4878	Strength, Self-Respect & Self-Control Mode III / To provide superior martial arts training in a safe, positive and productive environment to seventy-five youth ages 4 to 18. The training will take place for 16 weeks from August 17 to December 4 on Mondays and Tuesdays from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. All students will test for higher belt levels after the course.	
MRRC Youth Program	7-8/09	Osborn	\$4,200	Introduction to the Arts / For a program designed to teach the arts, drama, dance, and media/video use to sixty youth ages 6 to 21 offered from August 10 to November 10. This program is designed to showcase the participants' gifts and talents. Everyone will be preparing to put on a production/play on "Peer Pressure and How to Overcome It." Meetings will be held between the hours of 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday – Friday.	
Kingdom Global Communities, Inc.	9-8/09	Osborn	\$3,010	Big City Football Travel Program / To have a tackle football team for boys ages 10 to 15. Practices will begin August 1 on three days a week from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. There will be two squads. Beginning in September, both teams will travel to cities outside Detroit (Kalamazoo, Grand Rapids, Akron, Ohio) and will need to cover costs of these tournaments/travels. If a team wins their conference, they will travel to a national competition in Orlando, FL. Tutoring in Math & English is planned before practices. NFL motivational speakers will come to challenge the youth.	

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Community for Latino Artists, Visionaries & Educators	10-8/09	Vernor	\$1,660	Unity Art Jam (Children's Area) / During the Jam, hold a "make-it-and take it" workshop for five hundred intergenerational community members. Workshops on Aztec headdresses made of paper and recycled maracas will be offered as well as dance workshops. The children in attendance (will be prepared for 150 youth) will participate in the event with the headdresses and will perform alongside the professional performers, artists, and musicians.	
Mt. Vernon & Marston Block Club	11-8/09	North End/ Central	\$2,015	Mt. Vernon/Marston Block Club Party / To host a party to promote the block club and the community garden on August 22 for 25 to 150 community members. Entertainment is planned including bouncy toys, a train, and a children's talent show with prizes. There will be a cookout and ice cream sundaes. The Greening of Detroit will have a booth with a youth planting activity, and school supplies will be handed out.	
North End Youth Improvement Council (NEYIC)	12-8/09	North End/ Central	\$5,000	NEYIC End of the Summer/Back to School Project / To assist youth by offering a two-week program to provide ground rules for success as they prepare to return to school and conclude their summer experience. The program will be four weeks long for one hundred youth ages 6 to 18 and will focus on establishing, encouraging and enforcing positive communication skills, design and strengthen leadership qualities, improve social harmony, nutrition and hygiene awareness, and award participant commitment to education.	
Kuddles	14-8/09	Brightmoor	\$2,554	Clown Camp / To hold a clown camp for fifty to sixty youth ages 7 to 12. There will be eight, three-hour sessions on the art and profession of clowning offered. Performances will take place at the Show Off Celebration & Cookout for family and siblings where each child will receive a framed photo and certificate.	

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Westphalia Block 1	15-8/09	Osborn	\$1,500	Neighborhood Beautification / To clean O'Brien Park, and four to six vacant lots, working on Saturdays for eight weeks beginning on August 15th. Sixty volunteers ages 6 to 60 are expected to take part mowing lawns, boarding up vacant/ dangerous houses, cleaning up debris and garbage, and removing as many tires as possible.	

AUGUST – 9 total awarded = \$26,817	20 total awarded YTD = \$61,070
1 total for Vernor = \$1,660	Total YTD – 3 for Vernor = \$8,560
0 total for Chadsey/Condon = 0	Total YTD – 1 for Chadsey/Condon = \$4,830
2 total for Brightmoor = \$4,554	Total YTD – 5 for Brightmoor = \$10,490
3 total for Osborn = \$8,710	Total YTD – 4 for Osborn = \$12,367
1 total for Cody-Rouge = \$4,878	Total YTD – 3 for Cody-Rouge = \$11,528
2 total for North End = \$7,015	Total YTD – 4 for North End = \$13,295