



The Baltimore City Department of Planning (DOP), with the advice of the Pimlico Community Development Authority, has awarded 17 **Northwest Neighborhood Grants** for the 2025 grant cycle. This community-driven grant program provides funding between \$500 up to \$25,000 to support meaningful and measurable changes for residents of the Liberty-Wabash, Northwest Community Planning Forum, Coldspring-Newtown, and Park Heights Master Plan areas.

The program is made possible by Pimlico Local Impact Aid, the State revenue generated by video lottery terminal funds and annually allocated by State statute for community development in neighborhoods near Pimlico Racecourse. Congratulations to this year's winners:

Park Heights Master Plan Area:

1. B-Spirit A2Y-15: Media & Publishing Educational Project (\$25,00).
This funding supports a youth education program on media tools & production. Ultimately, youth participants will experience the beginning to end process of book production, from writing to book signing.
2. Civic Works, Inc.: Interconnected Gardens For Community Resilience (\$25,000)
This program is to unify three community garden assets in Arlington community, as well as support improvements to the gardens. Through connecting these gardens, community members will have walkable access to nutritional, social, and mental health benefits.
3. Cody Young Empowerment Youth Charities: Cody Cares (\$25,000)
In this program, youth will participate in a landscaping/streetscaping program. The activities include instruction and mentorship from a certified landscape architect to learn technical landscaping techniques.
4. Plantation Park Heights Urban Farm: Northwest Youth Art & Agriculture Academy (\$25,000)
The farm will implement a comprehensive four-week summer program designed to engage 25 youth aged 6-16 in urban agriculture and artistic expression. This project will provide hands-on learning experiences in all aspects of urban farming, while also integrating art and wellness through a collaboration with the Northwest Wellness Project empowering youth to creatively document their experiences.
5. Arts Every Day: Expanding Access to Arts Education in K-12 Public Schools in the Northwest Neighborhood (\$15,000)



This organization supports arts equipment and experiences in schools in the Park Heights Master Plan area.

6. T.E.A.C.H. at the National Great Blacks in Wax Museum: Searching for "Precious Stones": An Exploration of Stories & Narratives that Matter in Northwest Baltimore (\$15,000)

This program aims to help youth, families, and communities of Color connect with their creative and cultural foundations by creating a consistent offering of engagements, educational programs and celebrations grounded in the history that the Museum preserves.

One Mile Radius:

1. Healthy Neighborhoods, Inc.: Halon Phoenix Festival (\$17,000)
The Hanlon Phoenix Festival, formerly called The GO Northwest Healthy Neighborhoods Festival Reimagined, will bring resources, fosters comradery, and attract residents from across the region to the often-overlooked beauty of Northwest Baltimore.
2. Baltimore Clayworks: Gas Kiln Replacement at Baltimore Clayworks (\$14,500)
To support Baltimore Clayworks varied programs including weekly educational classes, specialized workshops, children's summer camps, resident and studio artist sponsorships, and Community Arts (CA) activities, funds support a new gas kiln to better serve the Northwest Community.
3. Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc.: NNC Programs to Promote Connection (\$12,500)
Northwest Neighbors Connecting (NNC) is a grassroots "village" supported by the Aging in Community department of CHAI (Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc.). Aging in Community has established a network of resources that enables members of the village to remain independent and reside in a supportive community for as long as possible. NNC services support members' ability to age in place, reduce loneliness, and enhance members' emotional wellbeing through connection to a community.
4. Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc.: Community Organizing in the Northwest Community Planning Forum (\$12,500)
To support CHAI's programmatic offerings including, block projects, neighborhood beautification, facade improvement grants, security lights grant, planning and



programming for the Northwest Presidents Forum, community events and cleanups, technical assistance for grant development, translation services, and implementation of the Northwest Community Planning Forum Master Plan.

5. Cylburn Arboretum Friends: Speaker Series and Demonstration Gardens (\$12,000)
To enhance community engagement and educational opportunities, this project integrates two key initiatives: a Speaker Series and the installation of interpretive signage in our newly renovated demonstration gardens.
6. Child First Authority: Career Awareness Project (\$10,000)
The Career Awareness Program (CAP) is a educational opportunity for young people in Baltimore City. The program's objective is to introduce attainable professional options and assist young people in setting career goals with academic pathways towards achievement.
7. Dance Baltimore, Inc.: Moving Murals (\$8,500)
To support a dance experience in the Fallstaff community, funding supports a diverse array of artists—musicians, storytellers, visual artists and dance artists. Together, a multi-level performance will be created outside of Fallstaff Elementary Middle School, a focal point of the Fallstaff community.
8. Word of Life Christian Community Church: Community Back to School Event (\$6,000)
This funding supports a back-to-school event that will serve the Park Heights community. The event will include school supplies, food, health and mental vendors, grooming services, and community resources.
9. Wide Angle Youth Media: Community Voices Media Arts Education Program (\$5,500)
Wide Angle's Community Voices (CV) media arts workshops are customized to meet the needs of each partner site and may be held during in- or out-of-school time.
10. Glen Neighborhood Improvement Association: National Night Out (\$4,500)



National Night Out (NNO) is a community-building event hosted by the Glen Neighborhood Improvement Association (GNIA) to promote public safety, strengthen neighborhood ties, and foster positive police-community relationships.

11. Calvin M. Rodwell Elementary Middle School: Park(ing) Day (\$4,000)

Park(ing) Day is a global initiative that reimagines urban spaces by temporarily converting parking spots into green, interactive public areas. This movement advocates for safer, more sustainable streets while fostering community engagement and environmental stewardship.