

# PPL Foundation awards \$265,000 in grants to support educational opportunities throughout communities in eastern and central Pennsylvania

Allentown, Pa. (December 14, 2023) – The PPL Foundation awarded a third round of grants for 2023, awarding \$265,000 in **Energizing Education Grants** to nearly 40 nonprofit organizations creating equitable and engaging high-quality educational opportunities for students in communities throughout eastern and central Pennsylvania.

In all, the PPL Foundation awarded nearly \$1 million in grants in 2023 to support the foundation's focus areas: education; diversity, equity and inclusion; and sustainable communities.

Funds will be used to support programs that inspire students to pursue careers in STEM fields; promote literacy and summer learning; and prepare students for college and future career opportunities.

"Education is a cornerstone of vibrant and growing communities," said Lissette Santana, president of the PPL Foundation. "The PPL Foundation is proud to support the efforts of nonprofit organizations working to ensure that educational opportunities are engaging and equitable for all."

Energizing Education Grants, ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000, were awarded to:

- ASSETS Lancaster
- Bethlehem Area Education Foundation
- Bloomsburg Area YMCA
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Scranton
- Carlisle Family YMCA
- Casa Guadalupe Center, Allentown
- Children's Museum of Bloomsburg
- Communities In Schools of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg
- Cumberland County Library System Foundation, Mechanicsburg
- Danville Area Community Center
- Dimmick Memorial Library, Jim Thorpe
- Evolve Youth Trades Academy, Harrisburg
- For the Cause, Berwick
- Foundation for Free Enterprise Education, Lycoming
- Friends of the Poor, Scranton
- Geisinger Health, Scranton
- Greater Valley Young Men's Christian Association, Allentown
- Greater Wyoming Valley Area YMCA, Wilkes-Barre
- Junior Achievement of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Wilkes-Barre
- Keystone Service Systems, Harrisburg
- Lacawac Sanctuary Foundation, Lake Ariel
- Lewisburg Children's Museum
- Lykens Valley Children's Museum, Elizabethville
- Manheim Township Educational Foundation, Lancaster
- Manufacturers Resource Center, Allentown
- North Pocono Public Library, Moscow
- Northampton County Area Community College Foundation, Bethlehem
- Osterhout Free Library, Wilkes-Barre

- Schuylkill Chamber Foundation, Pottsville
- Summer Program for Youth, Carlisle
- The Cooperage Project, Honesdale
- The Joshua Group, Harrisburg
- The Lancaster Science Center
- The Literacy Center, Allentown
- The Open Link, Pennsburg
- Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts, Harrisburg
- Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Scranton
- Young Women's Christian Association of Bethlehem

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The foundation's next round of grants – **Powering Equity** – is focused on supporting successful communities where all have the opportunity to thrive. Applications for Powering Equity grants will be accepted from Jan. 1 through Feb. 15. For more information, please visit [www.pplcares.com](http://www.pplcares.com).

### About the PPL Foundation

The PPL Foundation is an independent, nonprofit organization. Funded by PPL Corporation shareowners, the foundation was formed to support community initiatives in the areas served by PPL Corporation's utilities. Through strategic partnerships, the PPL Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that are engaged in innovative and groundbreaking work to create vibrant, sustainable communities; advance diversity, equity and inclusion; and support children's success from cradle to career in both Pennsylvania and Rhode Island.

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