

PPL Foundation awards nearly \$300,000 in grants to enhance educational opportunities across eastern and central Pennsylvania

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (Dec. 3, 2024) – The PPL Foundation has awarded nearly \$300,000 in grants to 39 nonprofit organizations across eastern and central Pennsylvania as part of its 2024 Energizing Education grants. These grants will help expand access to high-quality, equitable educational programs designed to inspire and empower students throughout the region.

This latest round of funding brings the total amount awarded through PPL Foundation's various Pennsylvania grant programs and United Way support in 2024 to over \$5.4 million. Funds awarded in the latest grant cycle will support a wide range of educational programs, including those focused on encouraging students to pursue careers in STEM, enhancing literacy and summer learning opportunities, and providing resources to help students prepare for college and future careers.

"The PPL Foundation is proud to support nonprofit organizations that are helping to equip students with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in tomorrow's workforce," said Lissette Santana, president of the PPL Foundation. "Our Energizing Education Grants are designed to provide lasting, positive impacts by funding programs that create pathways for students to reach their full potential and thrive in a rapidly changing world."

Energizing Education Grants, ranging from \$2,500 to \$50,000, were awarded to:

- Abington Community Library, Clarks Summit
- Arbor Place, Lancaster
- Bethlehem Area Education Foundation, Bethlehem
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capitol Region, Lebanon
- Boys & Girls Club of Allentown
- Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Scranton
- Children's Museum, Bloomsburg
- Communities In Schools of Eastern Pennsylvania, Allentown
- East Stroudsburg University Foundation
- Friends of the Columbia County Traveling Library, Bloomsburg
- Girls on the Run Mid State PA, Enola
- Greater Wyoming Valley Area YMCA, Wilkes-Barre
- James V. Brown Library, Williamsport
- John R. Kauffman Jr. Public Library, Sunbury
- Junior Achievement of South Central Pennsylvania, York
- Lancaster Farmland Trust, Strasburg
- Lehigh Area Memorial Library, Lehigh
- Lykens Valley Children's Museum, Elizabethville
- Manada Conservancy, Hummelstown
- Manufacturers Resource Center, Allentown
- McBride Memorial Library, Berwick
- North Museum Corporation, Lancaster
- North Pocono Public Library, Moscow
- Northampton Area Public Library, Northampton
- O.S. Johnson Technical Institute, Scranton
- Orwigsburg Area Free Public Library, Orwigsburg
- Osterhout Free Library, Wilkes-Barre
- Pennsylvania College of Technology, Williamsport
- Pennsylvania College of Technology, Community Arts Center, Williamsport
- Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy, Schwenksville
- Pittston Memorial Library, Pittston
- Pocono Mountains United Way, Stroudsburg
- Pocono Services for Families and Children, Stroudsburg

- Shamokin-Coal Township Public Library, Shamokin
- Summer Program for Youth, Carlisle
- Walk In Art Center, Schuylkill Haven
- William Allen Construction Company, Allentown
- Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Scranton, Dunmore

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, 2025. For more information, please visit 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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