

Rhode Island Energy Foundation awards \$250,000 to support community initiatives across the Ocean State

Charitable grants provide support to 22 nonprofit organizations working to make a difference across communities served by Rhode Island Energy.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (*June 13, 2025*) – The Rhode Island Energy Foundation (RIE Foundation) is pleased to announce that it is awarding \$250,000 in funding to support 22 nonprofit organizations working to improve the lives and well-being of individuals throughout the Ocean State.

The RIE Foundation is an independent, non-profit organization funded by shareowners of PPL Corporation, Rhode Island Energy's parent company. Since 2022, the organization has awarded over \$1.5 million in grants to organizations across Rhode Island.

"Rhode Island's strength comes from the people who roll up their sleeves and make a difference in every corner – from Woonsocket to Westerly," said Greg Cornett, president of Rhode Island Energy and an officer of the RIE Foundation. "These 22 organizations are at the heart of that work, and supporting their efforts reflects our belief that when local organizations thrive, the entire state rises."

The Empowering Communities grants program supports organizations across communities served by Rhode Island Energy. The grants support education initiatives, promote acceptance and inclusivity, and strengthen community resources. The RIE Foundation's latest investments will support various initiatives including educational leadership programs, literacy improvement programs, youth development and employment, early college access, and out-of-school programs – from STEM-based education to urban environmental and sustainability initiatives.

"By providing these resources to Rhode Island organizations, we not only invest in the communities Rhode Island Energy serves, but collectively, we're helping to ensure the betterment of our customers' lives," added Cornett.

Empowering Communities grants for spring 2025, ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000, are being awarded to:

A Leadership Journey	Books Are Wings
Boys Clubs & Girls Clubs of Newport County, Inc.	Coalition Center for Environmental Sustainability
Community College of Rhode Island Foundation	DownCity Design
East Bay Community Action Program	Girls on the Run Rhode Island
Greater Providence YMCA	IN-SIGHT
Inspiring Minds	Jane Addams Resource Corporation – Rhode Island
Leadership Rhode Island Educational Foundation	Newport Tree Conservancy
Progreso Latino	Providence After School Alliance, Inc.
Providence Children's Museum	Providence Promise
RI Women in the Trades	The Groden Center
The Sandra Feinstein-Gamm Theatre	YMCA of Pawtucket, Inc.

This is the first round of grants awarded to Rhode Island organizations this year, with a second round of grants to be awarded in the fall. To learn more about RIE Foundation and the Empowering Communities program, click [here](#).

About the RIE Foundation

The RIE Foundation is an independent, nonprofit organization. Funded by PPL Corporation shareowners, the foundation was formed to support community initiatives throughout the Ocean State through grant funding for nonprofits working to create vibrant, sustainable communities; promote acceptance and inclusivity; and support children's success from cradle to career.

For more information, click [here](#).

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