



JUNE 2026 AWARDEES

Organization Name	Project Description	Award Amount
CE3: Community Enrichment Encouragement and Empowerment	Youth initiative teaching Winton Hills youth monetizable skills while helping them to build out businesses, advocate for safe spaces and living environments and introducing them to four aspects of the agricultural workforce (Grow, Harvest, Produce, Distribute).	\$19,135.00
Children of Incarcerated Parents Initiative	In partnership with the 4-H Urban Agriculture Initiative, COIPI provides hands-on opportunities in urban agriculture, workforce development, and entrepreneurship to create pathways for economic stability and personal growth. Our mission is to build safe, supportive environments where youth can develop life skills, access resources, and gain real-world experience while contributing to healthier, more sustainable communities. Through programming that integrates food access, environmental stewardship, and leadership development, we aim to reduce barriers, increase opportunity, and create long-term positive outcomes for youth, families, and neighborhoods.	\$20,000.00
Cincinnati Christian Adult Ministries Center	Cincinnati Christian Adult Ministries Center (CCAMC) seeks funding to expand its community garden and implement a food preservation program that increases access to fresh food while reducing food waste. CCAMC will ensure that nutritious food is not lost to spoilage, but used to support long-term food security	\$12,260.00
Elevating Wellness	A youth-led climate resilience initiative that installs accessible raised bed gardens systems for underserved residents, while operating a zero-waste Producers Lab that converts organic waste into livestock feed pellets and separately preserves produce into shelf-stable foods—reducing waste, conserving water, and strengthening local food systems.	\$20,000.00
GEBAS Foundation, Inc.	Fairview Clifton German Language School (Fairview), GEBAS (Fairview Parent Teacher Organization) and other partners will install rain gardens and a stormwater infiltration well to reduce onsite and offsite flooding and create outdoor learning opportunities for Fairview students.	\$20,000.00
Imago	The Vibrant Forest Project will transform an urban nature preserve through comprehensive habitat restoration led by an energized community.	\$3,830.00
On the Gaux Enrichment	Empowers youth to strengthen neighborhood resilience through urban agriculture, food rescue, composting, and zero-waste practices at sites including the Bond Hill Community Garden and Brick Gardens Bond Hill Farm, expanding healthy food access, reducing youth violence through engagement, and advancing the Green Cincinnati Plan's goals for equity, sustainability, and community activation.	\$20,000.00



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Rothenberg Rooftop Garden	The Rothenberg Community Garden is a place for our neighbors to engage with the earth and each other through traditional agricultural practices, food production, environmental education, and community activities.	\$11,550.00
Serving Older Adults Through Changing Times	Hands in the Dirt will increase the number of garden beds at the community gardens at senior facilities. The seniors currently maintain and manage the community garden and this will allow the garden to expand and also have the soil, seeds, seedlings, mulch, and flowers for another growing season. The project will also address fresh food access by providing fresh food from local food markets to assist with supplementing the seniors diet.	\$12,500.00
Staci's Promise Foundation INC	The Green STREAMS Lab integrates sustainability into core STREAMS programming by engaging students in hands-on environmental learning, including recycling food containers for seed starting, indoor gardening, and hydroponic systems. Students explore food systems, environmental stewardship, and green career pathways while building literacy, STEM skills, and problem-solving.	\$10,000.00
Trazana A. Staples Foundation	Green Guardians is a collaborative youth workforce development and environmental stewardship initiative co-led by the Trazana A. Staples Foundation's IWP Youth Symposium and the Cincinnati African American Firefighters Association (CAFA). Recruiting 25 young people from Avondale, Bond Hill, and Roselawn to receive hands-on training and urban ecology, fire resilient landscaping, environmental preparedness and community education.	\$20,000.00
Village Green Foundation	To support increased bike/trail activity in the Beekman Corridor, and aligning with the Green Cincinnati Plan to emphasize zero-emission mobility options, we will create solid, reliable educational infrastructure to streamline our volunteer-to-trained-bike-mechanic pipeline, resulting in more self-sufficient bike commuting, deeper engagement in mobility in the Beekman Corridor, and more capacity to share and teach sustainable, affordable transportation via bicycle across the region.	\$8,000.00
Washington United Church of Christ	Washington UCC will install a solar panel array on 1047 Rachel Street to provide electricity for their free food pantry, clothing and household items program.	\$20,000.00
Western Wildlife Corridor Inc	The Riverside Nature Preserve Cleanup will transform blighted vacant lots into neighborhood greenspace by removing waste, installing signs, clearing invasive honeysuckle, creating trail access, and engaging residents in long-term stewardship.	\$7,500.00