

God's Work in the World - Thanks to You!

Westmoreland Social Justice and Action Grant Awards

Westmoreland Social Justice and Action (SJA) Grants are funded solely by your Christmas and Easter offerings. The SJA awarded grants to these local organizations in 2022. Please give generously again this Easter to support these important programs by specifically designating SJA when you give.

You may give online at [WUCC Donations](#) and click "Christmas or Easter offering". While we only directly promote our programs at Christmas and Easter, you can designate SJA in your giving throughout the year.



Action in Montgomery

<https://actioninmontgomery.org/>

AIM trains leaders to work for systemic social and economic change in Montgomery County. The SJA grant supports leadership training and public assemblies on affordable housing and after-school programs.



Bethesda Cares

<https://bethesdacares.org/>

Bethesda Cares seeks to prevent, ease, and end homelessness in Montgomery County. The SJA grant supports their eviction prevention project which provides families' rent payments directly to their landlords.



Briggs Center for Faith and Action

<https://www.briggscenter.org>

The Briggs Center for Faith and Action empowers people who share a passion for social justice and a common purpose of serving the disadvantaged and marginalized. The SJA grant supports a pro bono immigration clinic and ESL classes.



Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition

<https://www.caircoalition.org>

CAIR strives to keep families together by finding legal representation for men, women, and children facing deportation. The SJA grant supports emergency services (food, shelter, transportation) to immigrants who've been released from detention.



Calvary Women's Services

<https://www.calvaryservices.org>

Calvary Women's Services offers transitional and permanent housing, health, education, and employment programs to empower homeless women in DC. The SJA grant supports the LEAP Life Skills, Education, and Arts Program.



Critical Exposure

<https://criticalexposure.org>

Critical Exposure trains youth to use photography and advocacy to make real change in their communities. The SJA grant helps youth develop photography, storytelling & social justice analysis skills, as future advocates and organizers.



Feed the Fridge

<https://feedthefridge.org>

Feed the Fridge is a new addition to our grant program. Several local chefs organize hunger relief by working with more than twenty area restaurants to provide daily meals to vulnerable people. The SJA grant helps finance more than 800 meals.



IMPACT Silver Spring

<https://impactsilverspring.org>

IMPACT Silver Spring promotes racial and economic equality in Montgomery County through increased economic opportunity. The SJA grant will help launch an Entrepreneur Jumpstart program, offering computer and business skills.



Joseph's House

<https://josephshouse.org>

Joseph's House provides healing care to homeless individuals with HIV or cancer. The SJA grant supports a social worker who provides individual therapy and staff coaching.



Jubilee Jobs

<https://www.jubileejobs.org>

Jubilee Jobs provides professional job preparation, placement, and retention services. The SJA grant supports educational and job training programs for job seekers and recently employed clients.



Marie Reed Elementary School PTA

<http://www.marieeedes.org>

Marie Reed is a Title I, bilingual elementary school in Adams Morgan. The SJA grant supports the Food Prints Program for students, which includes growing fresh garden produce, nutrition/food preparation classes, and social-emotional activities.



MobileMed

<https://mobilemedicalcare.org>

MobileMed provides high-quality, primary and preventative medical care to low-income Montgomery County residents. The SJA grant supports bilingual outreach, preventative screenings, and health education, especially for the uninsured.



Offender Aid and Restoration

<https://www.oaronline.org/>

OAR provides community-managed programs to restore offenders as responsible society members. The SJA grant supports transportation and clothing needs to those recently released to ease their transition back into society and reduce recidivism.



Samaritan Ministry

<https://samaritanministry.org>

SMGW is a partnership of almost sixty churches and schools providing non-sectarian social services to neighbors in need. The SJA grant supports a Loan-to-Own Chromebook program for those who meet their goals in a job-training program.



Shaw Community Center

<https://www.shawcommunity.org>

Shaw Community Center enhances the lives and expands the opportunities of children and youth in the Shaw neighborhood in DC. The SJA grant equips their computer lab with assistive devices to allow "differently-abled" students access to learning.



Thrive DC

<https://www.thrivedc.org>

Thrive DC provides vulnerable individuals with a comprehensive range of services to prevent homelessness. The SJA grant supports salaries for individualized bilingual case management to connect clients with resources they need.

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;

and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Michah 6:8