

# PIMLICO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



The Baltimore City Department of Planning (DOP), with the advice of the Pimlico Community Development Authority (PCDA), has awarded 12 **Northwest Neighborhood Grants** for the 2023-2024 grant cycle. This community-driven grant program provides funding of between \$500 up to \$30,000 to support meaningful and measurable changes for residents of the Liberty-Wabash, Northwest Community Planning Forum, and the Coldspring-Newtown areas. In 2024-2025, the Department of Planning and PCDA look forward to expanding the Northwest Neighborhood Grants into the Park Heights Master Plan Area.

The program is made possible by Pimlico Local Impact Aid, the State revenue generated by video lottery terminal funds and annually allocated by State statute for community development in neighborhoods near Pimlico Racecourse. Congratulations to this year's winners:

- 1. Forest Park Senior High School: Learn to Swim Program (\$30,000)**  
This no-cost essential water safety and life-saving swimming lesson program will be offered to youth from the communities surrounding Forest Park High School.
- 2. Forest Park Senior High School: Continuing and Technical Education Community Classes (\$30,000)**  
This project will lead to the development of developing a catalog of adult education classes for Automotive Technology, Culinary Arts, Computer Science Principles, Health Professions, and Art Education. In addition to instruction from Forest Park Senior High School teachers, senior students within the Pathways Programs will work as course assistants as part of their workforce readiness and service-learning hours graduation requirement.
- 3. Healthy Neighborhoods Inc (HNI): GO Northwest/Healthy Neighborhoods Festival Reimagined (\$30,000)**  
Funding will support the GO Northwest/Healthy Neighborhoods Festival Reimagined. The festival will take place at 3051 Liberty Heights Ave. and will provide resources and activities to participants, such as homeownership counseling; health and wellness services; intake for home repair or other grants; arts, craft, and dance; children's activities; and more.
- 4. Forest Park Senior Center: Jazz at Forest Park Senior Center (\$30,000)**  
This project will produce jazz and varied musical genre concerts for the Liberty-Howard Park senior community at the Forest Park Senior Center every other month for the years 2024 and 2025.
- 5. Wide Angle Youth Media: Baltimore Speaks Out (\$29,700)**  
The program will support the young people in the Calvin M. Rodwell Elementary School community in creating media arts projects around topics important to them, such as community safety, identity, and social issues.

- 6. CHAI: Community Organizing in the NW Community Planning Forum (\$29,150)**  
This project seeks to implement specific components of the Northwest Community Planning Forum Master Plan update, such as neighborhood beautification, block projects, community events, sidewalk repair grants, and more
- 7. Hearts of Hope: Hope House Beautification Project (\$27,045)**  
This funding will provide programmatic support for Hope House's Life Skills Program and Youth Resource Day Event, as well as physical improvements to the property's landscaping and laundry facilities.
- 8. Cylburn Arboretum Friends: Speaker Series and Tabling Material (\$17,888)**  
This project seeks to further engage and educate the community through a speaker series that will feature experts and topics related to botany, horticulture, ecology, and sustainability, as well as with educational tabling materials
- 9. CHAI: Northwest Neighbors Connecting Village Gatherings and Trips Promoting Social Connection and Engagement for Older Adults (\$14,850)**  
This project seeks to expand social engagement opportunities for seniors in Northwest Baltimore through the program's Trips and Village Gatherings work.
- 10. Glen Neighborhood Improvement Association: Vision Glen Marketing (\$13,200)**  
This supports Vision Glen -- a marketing, outreach, and communications project led by the Glen Neighborhood Improvement Association (GNIA). The Grantee aims to increase knowledge of and community participation in the GNIA.
- 11. TIME Organization: Northwest Healing Access and Education (\$9,000)**  
The Project supports community-based activities, healthy recreation, events, opportunities, and speakers, geared towards providing youth and young adults in Northwest Baltimore with resources for vocational, educational, and employment opportunities.
- 12. Divine Health and Wellness Center: Coldspring Community Health Initiative (\$9,000)**  
This Project aims to increase physical activity in low-income adults living in the Ruscombe Garden Apartments within the Coldspring Newtown Community. Funding supports the grantee's efforts to deliver fitness classes, execute a walking program, conduct smoke cessation programs, and track and evaluate participant health.