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The Fund for New Jersey Awards \$823,000 in Grants

Princeton, NJ – The Trustees of [The Fund for New Jersey](#) awarded \$823,000 in grants to [eleven nonprofit](#) organizations at their March 2021 quarterly Board meeting. Grants were awarded to organizations in the areas of environmental justice, immigration, housing, and public media.

Kiki Jamieson, President of The Fund for New Jersey, stated, “The Fund for New Jersey is pleased to support organizations working to increase affordable housing, advance worker rights, defend immigrant rights, and support high-quality journalism in New Jersey.”

“The Fund is particularly proud to support a cohort of immigrant organizations working to make New Jersey a place that welcomes immigrants and supports their opportunities for economic mobility and social inclusion. Too often, undocumented immigrants are marginalized or forgotten. Undocumented immigrants have largely been excluded from receipt of government relief assistance throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, yet they continue to be essential frontline workers, working in farms, food factories, grocery stores, and more. The immigrant rights organizations that The Fund supports advocate every day to correct these injustices.”

Jaimeson further noted, “We are also honored to support organizations that are working to increase affordable and equitable housing opportunities during this challenging period for New Jersey families. Organizations such as the Housing and Community Development Network of NJ and Fair Share Housing Center are working towards enacting long-term policies that ensure that the most vulnerable New Jerseyans have safe and affordable housing, while simultaneously advocating for policies that prevent displacement and homelessness during the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Grants awarded in March 2021 include:

Housing

- A \$100,000 general operating grant to [Fair Share Housing Center](#) to support its work to expand affordable housing creation in geographic areas of opportunity and to foster racial and socioeconomic integration.

- A \$125,000 general operating grant to the [Housing and Community Development Network of NJ](#) to support its COVID-19 pandemic housing relief efforts, advance its multi-year RENT campaign and pursue its ongoing commitments to creating affordable homes and healthy communities.

Immigration

- A \$100,000 program grant to [American Friends Service Committee](#) to end immigrant detention, support legal representation, and to advance New Jersey immigrants' rights.
- A \$100,000 general operating grant to the [New Jersey Alliance for Immigrant Justice](#) to support a strong statewide coalition that advances immigrant-friendly policies and empowers immigrant communities to become rooted economically, politically, and socially in New Jersey.
- A \$100,000 general operating grant to [Make the Road NJ](#) to advance pro-immigrant and pro-worker policies in New Jersey, building upon the power of immigrant and working-class communities to achieve dignity and respect through community organizing and policy innovation.
- A \$50,000 general operating grant to [Wind of the Spirit](#) to continue building immigrant and working-class power through grassroots organizing to create a more welcoming Garden State.
- A \$50,000 general operating grant to [Faith in New Jersey](#) to advance racial justice and promote the human rights of immigrants in New Jersey.
- A \$50,000 program grant to the Funders Collaborative for Immigrant Families in the Garden State to address the serious and growing needs of immigrant communities in New Jersey.

Environmental Justice

- A \$48,000 program grant to [NAACP – New Jersey State Conference](#) to advance its environmental and climate justice program.

Public Media

- A \$50,000 program grant to [WHYY News](#) to support high-quality journalism focusing on critical policy, civic, and social justice issues facing New Jersey.
- A \$50,000 program grant to support [New Jersey Public Radio](#)'s high-quality journalism focusing on critical policy, civic, and social justice issues facing New Jersey.

[The Fund for New Jersey](#) works to improve the quality of public policy decision-making on the most significant issues affecting the people of New Jersey and our region. For 50 years, The Fund has supported organizations and initiatives that advance systemic and sustainable solutions to public problems through the work of policy, advocacy, analysis, and organizing.