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THREE ARCHES FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES \$2 MILLION IN NEW GRANTS TO 20 GREATER CLEVELAND NONPROFITS

Funding to Help Improve Access and Remove Barriers to Behavioral & Physical Health Care

CLEVELAND, November 17, 2022: Three Arches Foundation, a community-focused grant making foundation, announced \$2 million in annual grant funding to benefit twenty nonprofit partners working to transform people's health in Lakewood and surrounding communities. Each grant reflects the Foundation's priority to make it easier for people to navigate, understand, and use information and services to take care of their behavioral and physical health.

This marks the third consecutive year the Foundation has heightened its giving pattern with a commitment to an amplified level of philanthropic funding through 2023. Initially intended to help local nonprofits with pandemic resilience and recovery efforts, this grantmaking philosophy means even more given the current economic climate. "Like all of us, our nonprofit partners are experiencing the effects of inflation and once again face uncertainties at a time when their programs and services are needed by the community more than ever," said Kristin Broadbent, president and CEO of the Foundation. "Continuing our elevated funding level is the best way the Foundation can support these organizations in carrying out their mission during this unsettling period."

This year's grant recipients reflect several common themes including youth, seniors, refugees and immigrants, and substance use and addiction. "We are proud to partner with these organizations and we are inspired by the incredible work they do every day to help people take care of their health – including the well-being of their own teams who deliver impactful programs and services," shared Mary Anne Crampton, board chair of the Foundation. "Their efforts improve lives and create more equitable access for individuals and families across our community."

Highlights of 2022 grants approved by the Foundation's board of directors include:

B. Riley Sober House - \$120,000 (over two years) to support behavioral health equity for the LGBTQ+ community through funding of direct care programs and services for those seeking alcohol and drug treatment without the ability to pay.

Building Hope in the City - \$67,000 (over two years) to expand culturally tailored mental health care education and access for refugee and immigrant communities, as well as trauma informed care training for staff.

Eliza Jennings - \$150,000 (over two years) for the pilot launch of trauma informed care programming and coordinated staff training to improve health outcomes and mitigate triggers that cause re-traumatization. With a shared interest in supporting brain health and cognitive function in older adults, this grant is funded through the generosity of Three Arches Foundation's Harold C. Schott Foundation Endowment Fund.

Hospice of the Western Reserve - \$75,000 to provide comprehensive, community-based palliative care that relieves suffering and improves the quality of life for seniors in Lakewood and surrounding communities living with advanced illness and their caregivers.

Journey Center for Safety and Healing - \$80,000 to continue the well-established and critical role of the Justice System Advocate within the Lakewood and Rocky River Municipal Courts to help victims of, or those at risk of domestic violence, child abuse or other violence.

LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland - \$158,887 for the continuation and expansion of Transwellness programming to increase access to physical and mental health care services for the local transgender and gender diverse populations.

LifeAct - \$25,000 to support LifeAct's suicide prevention and mental health wellness programs that empower middle and high school students in Lakewood and surrounding communities to better understand their own mental health, recognize warning signs of suicide, and access professional help.

May Dugan Center - \$130,000 (over two years) to hire an in-house, board-certified music therapist as an enhanced component of the Center's behavioral health services.

Neighborhood Family Practice - \$170,048 (over two years) to support a cultural health navigator and patient advocate in the provision of crucial, non-reimbursable services that help refugee patients including cultural navigation, language interpretation, transportation, and follow-up on referrals.

Neighborhood Family Practice, Barton Senior Center & Lakewood Senior Citizens - \$97,211 to enhance onsite primary care services at the Barton Community Health Center and expand music and art therapy programming.

OhioGuidestone - \$173,277 (over two years) to continue extensive mental health wraparound services for students, families, and staff at four Lakewood elementary schools.

Providence House - \$60,000 to sustain programs through the Pediatric Crisis Nursery offering specialized, medically tiered services and direct care of children, as well as family preservation services and medical care training for parents and guardians.

Renee Jones Empowerment Center - \$124,200 (over two years) to hire a contracted nurse to assist with free, basic screening and assessment of minor and adult human trafficking and sexual assault victims through street outreach and onsite at the medical clinic, as well as the provision of associated medical supplies.

Signature Health - \$77,850 to hire a patient navigator and expand transportation services for high-risk patients in Lakewood and surrounding communities.

Smart Development - \$45,000 to fund a new, full-time case manager who helps refugees and immigrants understand and navigate the local health system by bridging a gap in cultural and language barriers.

St. Vincent Charity Medical Center - \$30,000 for the Intensive Outpatient Program Transportation (IOPT) Lyft Solution that removes barriers to care by providing low-income patients with substance use disorder free, private transportation directly to and from outpatient treatment at Rosary Hall.

Stella Maris - \$50,000 to continue the established Supportive Housing Program that creates a climate of recovery essential for achieving sobriety and quality of life.

The Lantern Center for Recovery - \$50,000 for unrestricted funding that supports the mission to provide quality sober living, and recovery education and assistance to chemically dependent men.

The MetroHealth Foundation - \$97,500 to maintain a community health worker focused on removing barriers and providing patient outreach and health care coordination services for students, staff, and families at multiple west side schools in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District and others.

The Refugee Response - \$149,760 (over two years) to provide comprehensive and personalized mental health support and wellness programming for youth experiencing some manner of trauma as an adolescent refugee.

Urban Community School - \$60,000 to provide continued support for the Director of Mental Health and Counseling Services position, and to bridge coverage gaps for insurance reimbursement.

For additional details about these grants, please visit <u>www.threearchesfoundation.org/grants-awarded</u>

About Three Arches Foundation (TAF) – Three Arches Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public charity that invests in advancing the health and well-being of the people of Lakewood and surrounding communities through grant making. By connecting people, ideas and resources, the Three Arches Foundation fosters a collaborative approach towards investing in organizations whose work directly addresses the continuum of physical and behavioral health issues. For more information, visit threearchesfoundation.org.

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