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Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts awards $369,200 to 30 Area Nonprofits

SPRINGFIELD, MA – The Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts (CFWM) recently awarded $369,200 to 30 area nonprofits through its Capacity Grant program, one of the Foundation’s competitive grantmaking programs. CFWM’s grantmaking programs focus on improving and supporting the quality of life for people in Franklin, Hampden, and Hampshire counties.

Capacity Grants support local nonprofits to build their own organizational effectiveness and operational efficiency. Grant awards range from $4,500 - $15,000 and address community needs in the areas of arts and culture, education, the environment, health, housing, and human services.

“CitySpace is thrilled to receive the Capacity Grant from the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts,” said Burns Maxey, president of CitySpace, Inc. “This support will improve CitySpace’s aptitude for nonprofit management as well as inspire potential innovative models for the next steps of the organization. As CitySpace flourishes, there is no better time for us to become a savvier organization. Funding from the CFWM is instrumental in making this a reality.”

Capacity Grants were awarded to the following programs and organizations: All Our Kids; All Out Adventures; Amherst Ballet Theatre Company; Art for the Soul Gallery; Boys and Girls Club of West Springfield; CitySpace; Conway School of Landscape Design; Dakin Pioneer Valley Humane Society; Earthdance Creative Living Project; Enlace de Familias de Holyoke/ Holyoke Family Network; Girls Inc. of the Valley; Greenfield Community College Foundation; Holyoke Community College Foundation; Homework House; International Language Institute of Massachusetts; Just Roots; Ludlow Boys & Girls Club; Montague Catholic Social Ministries; New England Learning Center for Women in Transition; New England Public Radio Foundation; Perugia Press; Pioneer Valley Ballet Guild; Pioneer Valley Riverfront Club; Pioneer Valley
Workers Center; Quabbin Mediation; River Valley Counseling Center; Root Studio; Springfield Cultural Partnership Incorporated; Tapestry Health Systems; Womanshelter/Compañeras.

About the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts

Founded in 1990, the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts administers a charitable endowment consisting of over 600 separately identified funds ($173 million) serving the three counties bordering the Connecticut River in Western Massachusetts (Hampden, Hampshire, and Franklin counties). For more information about the reach and impact of the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts, visit

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