



2020 Grassroots Grants Programs

Program Name: A Chance to Dance

Organization: A Chance to Dance, Inc.

Program Leader: Jenna Lyon

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Program Description: Dance classes and performance opportunities are available to families of special needs children free of charge. A Chance to Dance provides these incredible young students with the opportunity to grow creatively as they gain self-confidence and benefit from weekly exercise through dance and movement instruction in a safe, welcoming, and fun environment.

Area of Service: 40502

Program Name: Academic and Social Club

Organization: Kentucky Refugee Ministries – Lexington

Program Leader: Lizzie Barrick, Youth Services Coordinator

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Program Description: This program will provide social and scholarly opportunities for immigrant middle schoolers with the aim of overcoming the unique barriers and challenges often faced by newcomer students in Lexington, especially English learners.

Area of Service: 40504

Program Name: Art Club @Willam Wells Brown Community Center

Organization: Sisohpromatem Art Foundation, Inc.

Program Leader: Sonja Brooks

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Program Description: This is an art-based program focused on the development of 3rd-5th graders, especially those who are economically, educationally, socially, or in other ways disadvantaged.

Area of Service: 40508

Program Name: Battling Batons Track Club

Organization: AAU Track and Field

Program Leader: Phyllis J. McKissack

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Program Description: The Battling Batons are a non-profit, competitive, track and field organization. Their mission is to foster academic and physical development in youth ages 4-18 within Central Kentucky. The organization is designed to enhance spiritual growth, family, and...

Area of Service: Various

Program Name: Camp Hope

Organization: Bluegrass Care Navigators

Program Leader: Laura Klumb

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Program Description: This camp is for youth who are struggling with the trauma of having lost a loved one. Trained counselors provide age-appropriate activities designed around grief care.

Area of Service: 40383

Program Name: CAP (College Admissions Process) College Tour

Organization: AKA Pearls of Service Foundation, Inc.

Program Leader: Quisha Ray, President

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Program Description: This program is designed to provide students with increased knowledge of the college admissions process. There will be a series of monthly sessions and events focused on college entry, including college fairs, college visits, college apps, FAFSA completion, scholarship searches, ACT preparation, interview skills, and completion of college applications.

Area of Service: 40517 and 40505

Program Name: Colts in Action-21st Century Program

Organization: William Wells Brown Elementary

Program Leader: Monica Davis Smith

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Program Description: This summer school program will provide services to 100 students in grades K through 5 this summer at William Wells Brown. The program will bridge the gap of learning in the summer by providing continued education to the students with an emphasis on reading, math and science curriculum in addition to enrichment activities and field trips.

Area of Service: 40508

Program Name: Extra Innings Spy Camp

Organization: 21st Century Community Learning Center

Program Leader: Tara Eizenstat, Extra Innings Director

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Program Description: This program is offered in the summer to provide lessons in STEM activities in forensic sciences, coding and technology, FBI physical fitness, etc. Every camper will get a free book, breakfast and lunch each day, and there will be 2 field trips.

Area of Service: 40505

Program Name: Friends in Music

Organization: Central Kentucky Youth Orchestras

Program Leader: Shawna Howard/Amelia Groetsch

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Program Description: Friends in Music is an after-school music instruction program that reaches middle school orchestra students in two Title I schools in Fayette County. The weekly program consists of two components for each participant: 1) an after-school group session led by mentors from the most advanced CKYO orchestra supervised by professional music educators; and 2) private lessons in partnership with the Central Music Academy, a local non-profit that provides free private instrumental lessons for students who qualify for free or reduced lunch.

Area of Service: 40511 and 40505

Program Name: Girl Power at the Village Branch Library

Organization: Girl Speak

Program Leader: Carole Johnston

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Program Description: This program will have weekly workshops for ten weeks in the summer and aims to empower girls through reading, writing and performing poems, stories, and scripts that feature strong, powerful girls and women. Teaching will be done in both English and Spanish.

Area of Service: 40504

Program Name: Girls on the Run Central Kentucky Fall 2020 Program

Organization: Girls on the Run Central Kentucky

Program Leader: Heidi Guckenberger

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Program Description: This 10 week program meets twice a week for 75 minutes to inspire girls, 3rd-8th grade, to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experienced-based curriculum, which integrates running.

Area of Service: Various

Program Name: Inclusive Dance Outreach Program

Organization: Allegro Dance Project

Program Leader: Jeana Klevene

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Program Description: The Inclusive Dance Outreach Program gives children with Down Syndrome, Autism Spectrum Disorder, and other specific needs in the Lexington area the opportunity to experience dance and to reap the many benefits it has to offer.

Area of Service: Various

Program Name: Jr. MANNRS Leadership Institute

Organization: UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Office of Diversity (UK CAFÉ OOD)

Program Leader: Kendriana Price

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Program Description: The Jr. MANNRS Leadership Institute is held annually in the fall and is designed to stimulate the interest in science, technology, engineering, agricultural, and mathematic fields, or STEAM. The goal is to encourage students in grades 7-12 to attend college and pursue agriculture, natural resources, and environmental sciences degrees.

Area of Service: 40508

Program Name: Kappa League

Organization: Kappa League @ Leestown Middle School

Program Leader: Leon Buford-Kelly, Ed.S.

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Program Description: This is a mentoring program that promotes respect, builds leadership, and provides community service for the community at large. It helps develop young men whom are required to learn, practice, and implement general qualities and characteristics of a leader.

Area of Service: 40511

Program Name: Kentucky Horse Park Mustang Troop

Organization: Kentucky Horse Park Foundation, Inc.

Program Leader: Elizabeth Bartlett

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Program Description: This program serves underprivileged youth through the channels of horsemanship and riding, providing a life-changing summer horse camp experience free of charge.

Area of Service: 40511

Program Name: KORE Academy Before/After School Program

Organization: KORE Academy

Program Leader: Beverly Henderson

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Program Description: The purpose of this program is to provide structured activities for students whose parents need care before or after the school day. There will be planned activities, snack, and movement.

Area of Service: 40515

Program Name: Lafayette High School International Tutoring Club

Organization: Lafayette High School Youth Services Center

Program Leader: Kathryn Chastain & Tim Mitsumori

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Program Description: The goal of this program is to improve international students' educational experience. They offer tutoring and field trips which provide a sense of connectedness to the Lafayette community.

Area of Service: 40503

Program Name: Latinx Leadership & College Experience Camp

Organization: Bluegrass Community and Technical College

Program Leader: Erin Howard

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Program Description: This week long intensive college and career preparation and leadership development program is designed for rising juniors and seniors in high school. It is open to all, but specializes in providing intentional support, information, and programming for Latino, immigrant, and refugee, first-generation college students and low-income students.

Area of Service: varies

Program Name: Leaders in the Making

Organization: Paul Laurence Dunbar High School

Program Leader: Hazel Compton, Cynthia Jones, and Earlene Jackson

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Program Description: Leaders in the Making is a group of young people united by a desire to dream, achieve and succeed regardless of the obstacles placed in their path. The program provides College tours, Job shadowing, Internships, Academic enhancement, and Professional development.

Area of Service: 40513

Program Name: Lexington Blazin' Cats AAU Track Club

Organization: N/A

Program Leader: Shoshona Boyd, Laneshia Conner

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Program Description: This youth track & field club strives to make a positive physical, mental, and social impact on those participating in the program. The mission is to motivate and empower student athletes to achieve health, and develop discipline, pride, and leadership skills for the benefit of the larger community through the sport of track and field. The program runs from April through August, after school and during the summer months.

Area of Service: 40502

Program Name: Nathaniel Mission After-School Program

Organization: Nathaniel Mission

Program Leader: Meghan Talley or Casey Coyle

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Program Description: This 4-day a week after school program at Cardinal Valley Elementary will broaden students' academic achievement through reading, homework help, fine arts, and other enrichment activities; providing additional support to youth and families no available during instructional hours.

Area of Service: 40504

Program Name: Nerd Squad STEM Club

Organization: Nerd Squad

Program Leader: Kayla Titalii-Torres

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Program Description: STEM club is a program held at Winburn Middle School, designed to provide immersive STEM activities which allow participants to build technical and analytical STEM-based skills in which they can learn background knowledge and conduct experiments. They can then take results home to share with their family. The goal is to build self-confidence, pass on knowledge and empower young girls.

Area of Service: 40511

Program Name: On The Move Art Studio

Organization: Art, Work, Empowerment, Inc.

Program Leader: Josh Nadzam

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Program Description: On the Move Art Studio is a nonprofit mobile art room that travels to underserved neighborhoods and provides free art classes for children. The goal is to provide children with a positive outlet, creative expression, and a way to boost self-esteem and self-efficacy.

Area of Service: 40511

Program Name: Our Voices. Our Radio. Youth Edition.

Organization: Lexington Community Radio

Program Leader: Mark Royse

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Program Description: 15-20 English and Spanish-speaking youth will be recruited to try to develop original community radio content for broadcast on air and online. Under direction from Lexington Community Radio staff and volunteers, participants will create 15-20 hours of content during the summer and fall semesters.

Area of Service: 40508 and 40505

Program Name: Read Together-Grow Together (RTGT)

Organization: Common Good CDC

Program Leader: Brenda Vanegas

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Program Description: This program will meet twice during summer evening hours and will focus on youth and family literacy through exploration of culture and diversity. This multi-generational program will allow youth to lead as they engage with their families in reading and thematic discussion.

Area of Service: 40505

Program Name: Rooted: From Crisis to Ongoing Care

Organization: Arbor Youth Services

Program Leader: William Jones – Hillary Welch

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Program Description: Rooted is a powerful program for youth ages 12 – 17 designed to provide continued care for youth that come from abuse, abandonment, and other types of crisis during childhood. The goal is to allow youth to come to a safe place for two hours a week so that they are able to experience peer to peer conversation that will allow them to gather the tools necessary to function well in their environment at home.

Area of Service: 40508

Program Name: The Consolidated Summer Enrichment Program

Organization: Consolidated Baptist Church

Program Leader: Demetria N. Blair

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Program Description: This camp is a safe place for rising 1st through 8th grade students to participate in structured academic, enrichment, and recreational activities. The camp is in session Monday-Friday from 7:30am to 5:00pm beginning June 1st and concluding on July 31st. Breakfast, lunch, and snack are provided.

Area of Service: 40505

Program Name: The Lion's Den

Organization: The Academy for Leadership at Millcreek Elementary

Program Leader: Sharon Mofield-Boswell

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Program Description: This program provides academic, artistic, and cultural enrichment opportunities for children who attend a high-poverty and low performing school to help them meet state and local standards in core academic subjects, such as reading, math and science.

Area of Service: 40517

Program Name: West End Community Day Camp and Leadership Training

Organization: Bluegrass Christian Camp

Program Leader: Michael Fann

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Program Description: The camp will be held at Booker T. Washington and youth will be placed on teams of 10 – 15 and will be led by staff through various activities. Activities include: reading and math enrichment, crafts, sports, games, character training, swimming, and field trips.

Area of Service: 40509 and 40508

Program Name: West End Program

Organization: Central Music Academy

Program Leader: Erin Walker Bliss

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Program Description: The Central Music Academy gives free musical training to economically disadvantaged children in Lexington. This private lesson program provides kids in the West End free one-on-one lessons with professional music teachers. Our vision is to see our students become well-rounded individuals who, even if they do not choose to make their careers in music, will strengthen their communities by maintaining a lifelong passion for and connection with the arts.

Area of Service: 40508

Program Name: Young Stallions Mentoring Club

Organization: Sigma Lambda Beta ECU Colony

Program Leader: Ivan Olivas

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Program Description: This mentoring program will be held at Arlington Elementary and is targeted for underrepresented kids, especially Latino male students. The goal of the program is to promote and facilitate personal development of the students along with instilling certain values. We want the students to feel empowered to pave their own way to future goals they have for themselves.

Area of Service: 40505

Program Name: Youth Mariachi Ensemble

Organization: Casa de la Cultura Kentucky

Program Leader: Miranda Brown, Monica Calleja

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Program Description: This program exposes community youth to Mariachi music through ensemble, instruments (guitar, trumpet, violin/viola, or bass), singing classes, and performance opportunities. The musicians develop music and teamwork skills, create new friendships based in music, learn about Latin American culture, and sing in the Spanish language.

Area of Service: 40504

Program Name: Zeta Youth Auxiliaries of Lexington

Organization: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Program Leader: Martha Crumbie

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Program Description: This program is an organization for young women ages 5 – 18 and will provide services that range from monthly educational meetings to monthly community service opportunities for participants. The goal is to widen the girls' horizon and strengthen their bonds and relationships by providing educational, cultural, and social activities to help develop positive attitudes and self-image.

Area of Service: Various

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