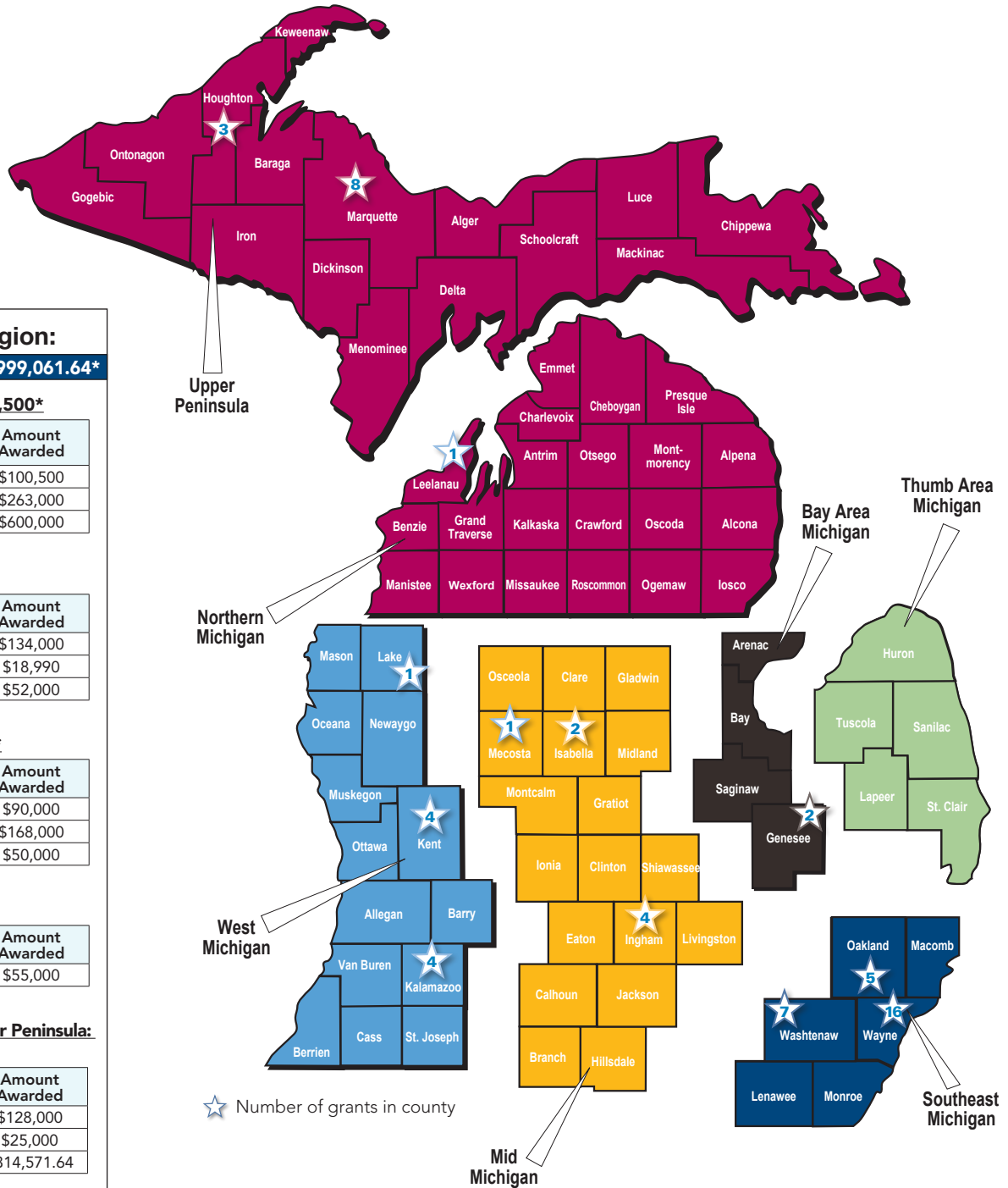


BCBSM Foundation's 2020 Grant Highlights



Total Grants by Region:

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED: \$1,999,061.64*

Southeast Michigan: \$963,500*

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Oakland	5	\$100,500
Washtenaw	7	\$263,000
Wayne	16	\$600,000

Mid-Michigan: \$204,990

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Ingham	4	\$134,000
Isabella	2	\$18,990
Mecosta	1	\$52,000

West Michigan: \$308,000*

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Kalamazoo	4	\$90,000
Kent	4	\$168,000
Lake	1	\$50,000

Bay Area: \$55,000

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Genesee	2	\$55,000

Northern Michigan & Upper Peninsula: \$392,571.64*

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Houghton	3	\$128,000
Leelanau	1	\$25,000
Marquette	8	\$314,571.64

*Includes funding partners

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2020 BCBSM Foundation Grants Detail

Grantee Name	Purpose of Grant	Amount	County
SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN GRANTEES		\$963,500*	
Oakland University	To support the research of a medical student.	\$3,000	Oakland
Offering Alternative Therapies with Smiles, Inc.	To hire a grant writer to write and submit grant applications to fund and expand O.A.T.S. programming.	\$3,500	Oakland
William Beaumont Hospital Daniel Arndt, M.D	To determine if using simultaneous functional magnetic resonance imaging and electroencephalogram is effective in evaluating if epileptic pediatric patients can be cured by surgery or a laser ablation using functional magnetic resonance imaging in the pre-surgical planning.	\$10,000	Oakland
Lighthouse MI Ryan Hertz, MSW	To provide onsite and in-home case management services to 16 Permanent Supportive Housing households with improving their health-related outcomes through addressing the social determinants of health. Co-funded with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$50,000*	Oakland
Michigan Parkinson Foundation Mary Sue Lanigan	To develop and produce a free on-line training that provides an overview of Parkinson's disease and care management strategies.	\$34,000	Oakland
Eastern Michigan University	To support the research of a doctoral student.	\$3,000	Washtenaw
University of Michigan	To support the research of five doctoral and medical students.	\$15,000	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Mousumi Banerjee, Ph.D.	To develop a machine learning-based tool to predict the risk of extubation failure for pediatric cardiac patients.	\$50,000	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Justin Dimick, M.D., MPH	To examine private equity and non-acquired surgical practices.	\$50,000	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Shawna Smith, Ph.D.	To address depression and anxiety among Michigan community college students.	\$53,000	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Jaclynn Hawkins, Ph.D.	To implement a peer-led diabetes self-management support intervention for Black men with Type 2 diabetes	\$42,000	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Elizabeth Koschmann, Ph.D.	The third year of funding to implement and evaluate a three-tiered model of behavioral health programming that will provide evidence-based mental health prevention-to-intervention services to all K-12 Detroit Public School Community District students.	\$50,000	Washtenaw
Wayne State University M.D. and Ph.D.	To support the research of five doctoral and medical students.	\$15,000	Wayne
Leaders Advancing and Helping Communities Wassim Mahfouz	To expand the ability to apply for substance abuse prevention grants to serve youth in Southeast Michigan.	\$3,500	Wayne
St. Patrick's Senior Center, Inc. Sa'Trice Coleman-Betts	To develop and submit a grant proposal for emergency response funding for seniors.	\$3,500	Wayne
Ascension St. John Hospital Patricia Dahr, M.D.	To pilot a new method of cervical health monitoring among African American women with Lupus.	\$10,000	Wayne
Henry Ford Hospital Joseph Miller Egbe-Etu Emmanuel Etu, M.D., Ph.D. candidate	To evaluate hospital emergency room procedures during a medical surge scenario, identify areas of improvement to reduce patient boarding, improve facility utilization, and increase the quality of care for emergency room patients.	\$10,000	Wayne
Ascension St. John Hospital Paula Schreck, M.D.	To pilot a program to increase the number of diverse women trained as board certified lactation consultants.	\$44,000	Wayne
Henry Ford Health System Denise White Perkins, M.D., Ph.D.	To reduce Hemoglobin A1c levels of patients through referrals addressing the patient's social determinants of health needs.	\$50,000	Wayne
Wayne State University Abdulghani Sankari, M.D., Ph.D.	To assess the long-term cardiovascular outcome of heart rate changes during sleep among patients with sleep apnea and identify the physical characteristics of sleep apnea related with poor cardiovascular outcomes.	\$50,000	Wayne
Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services Hassan Jaber	To support the "Stop the Stigma: Suicide Care at ACCESS Medical Center" youth program. Co-funded by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$75,000*	Wayne

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Black Family Development, Inc. Kenyatta Stephens	To support "Second Stage" to address suicide risk reduction among African American boys and young men. Co-funded by The Ethel and James Flinn Foundation and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$75,000*	Wayne
Institute for Population Health, Inc. Gwendolyn A. Daniels, DNP, RN	To support the "Freedom to Focus Counseling Solutions for Zero Suicide" program for children and adults. Co-funded by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$75,000*	Wayne
Leaders Advancing and Helping Communities Wassim Mahfouz	To implement culturally responsive programming to prevent and reduce substance abuse among youth for school administrators, teachers, parents, and youth.	\$45,000	Wayne
Life Directions Rev. John Phelps	To reduce the harm of adverse childhood experiences through virtual family counseling.	\$34,000	Wayne
Ruth Ellis Center, Inc. Jerry Peterson	To support the on-site peer leader to meet the complex needs of LGBTQ+ young people experiencing, or at-risk for homelessness. Co-funded by the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$50,000*	Wayne
Southwest Counseling Solutions, Inc. Jamie Ebaugh	To support the Piquette Square coordinator who will coordinate service delivery and monitor veterans' care coordination. Co-funded by the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$50,000*	Wayne
St. Patrick's Senior Center, Inc. Sa'Trice Coleman-Betts	To support programming changes related to COVID-19.	\$10,000	Wayne

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MID-MICHIGAN GRANTEES	\$204,990
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Michigan State University	To support the research of a doctoral student.	\$3,000	Ingham
Michigan State University Robin Tucker, Ph.D.	To support the development and submission of grant proposals to fund YMCA pandemic relief programs to support families	\$52,000	Ingham
Michigan Health Information Network Shared Tim Pletcher	To validate the effectiveness of leveraging statewide health information exchange infrastructure to improve speed and accuracy of Michigan's current medicolegal death investigation process.	\$43,000	Ingham
Michigan State Medical Society Foundation Cheryl Gibson Fountain, M.D.	To provide physicians, medical students, health care providers and all other persons interested in biomedical ethics issues with educational opportunities on relevant biomedical issues.	\$36,000	Ingham
Central Michigan University M.D. and Ph.D.	To support the research of three doctoral and medical students.	\$9,000	Isabella
Central Michigan University Zaira Khalid, M.D.	To determine if the results of Cognivue and the Montreal Cognitive Assessments are comparable in assessing cognition among patients with dementia.	\$9,990	Isabella
Ferris State University Michelle Sahr, PharmD	To examine how physician-pharmacist collaboration improves cardiovascular disease in rural communities.	\$52,000	Mecosta

WEST MICHIGAN GRANTEES	\$308,000*
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Western Michigan University	To support the research of a doctoral student.	\$3,000	Kalamazoo
YMCA of Greater Kalamazoo David Morgan	To support the development and submission of grant proposals to fund YMCA pandemic relief programs to support families	\$3,000	Kalamazoo
Western Michigan University Robin Criter, Au.D. Ph.D.	To determine if hearing difficulty effects performance on balance measures that predict fall risk, and to determine if hearing aids improves performance on these measures (in single- and dual-tasking conditions) and reduce fall risk.	\$50,000	Kalamazoo
Western Michigan University Sylvia Linares, M.D.	To improve maternal and child health outcomes among high-risk women by providing doula support during delivery and post-partum as part of an integrated care team.	\$34,000	Kalamazoo
Spectrum Health Foundation Cara Poland, M.D.	To assist obstetric providers (physician and advanced practice providers, like Certified Nurse Midwives) in treating pregnant women with opioid use disorders using medication to treat an opioid use disorder.	\$34,000	Kent
Our Kitchen Table Lisa Oliver-King	To pilot a multi-pronged approach to address food insecurity that improves nutrition and oral health.	\$34,000	Kent

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Family Promise of Grand Rapids Cheryl Schuch	To assist 50 additional families annually, including more than 120 children, with supportive housing services, addressing physical and mental health needs and connect with community resources. Co-funded by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$50,000*	Kent
New Destiny Pathways, Inc. Nikeidra DeBarge	To provide Kathy Sather, manager, who provides intensive supports as youth transition into successful adulthood and lessen adverse health experiences. Co-funded by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$50,000*	Kent
Baldwin Family Health Care Kathy Sather	To support access to telehealth care and offer virtual care to individuals in the network of clinics that serves residents in five counties.	\$50,000	Lake

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BAY AREA & THUMB AREA GRANTEES		\$55,000	
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McLaren-Flint Hospital/ Michigan State University Dr. Julie Thai, M.D., MPH	To utilize motivational interviewing to help individuals better understand why they smoke and how to effectively stop smoking to reduce the risk for health conditions associated with smoking (including coronary artery disease, lung cancer, stroke).	\$10,000	Genesee
Valley Area Agency on Aging Yaushica Albert	To use telehealth to assist with coordination of agency services for frail and homebound clients with chronic diseases or complex care needs.	\$45,000	Genesee, Lapeer, & Shiawassee

NORTHERN MI & UPPER PENINSULA GRANTEES		\$467,571.64*	
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ShareCare of Leelanau, Inc. Julie Tarr, E.D	To examine the value of volunteer models that support aging in place through a cost-benefit analysis.	\$25,000	Leelanau
Michigan Technological University	To support the research of a doctoral student.	\$3,000	Houghton
Portage Health Foundation Kevin Store	To identify which problem behaviors, protective factors, and risk factors are prevalent in the community and implement tailored evidence-based programs.	\$50,000	Houghton
Upper Great Lakes Family Health Center Donald Simila, MSW, FACHE	To support the "Upper Peninsula Suicide Prevention Plan" program. Co-funded with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$75,000*	Houghton
Caregiver Incentive Project Eric Paad	To support the development and submission of grant proposals for a caregiver training program.	\$3,500	Marquette
Northern Michigan University Melissa Copenhaver, DNP	To support the development and submission of a grant proposal for Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program funding.	\$3,500	Marquette
Caregiver Incentive Project Eric Paad	To implement a standardized, mentoring-based caregiver training.	\$45,000	Marquette
Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress (UPCAP) Jonathan Mead	To evaluate the process and outcomes, key program elements, and successes to inform program replication of the Benjamin Rose Institute Care Coaching Program. Co-funded with the Michigan Health Endowment Fund.	\$30,000	Marquette
Great Lakes Recovery Centers, Inc. Greg Toutant	To support the Ripple Recovery Residence for women and children in L'Anse, Michigan. Co-funded with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Social Mission Department.	\$48,571.64*	Marquette
Negaunee School District Dan Skewis	To train students, faculty, and staff in the "Capturing Kids Hearts" method to improve the school environment, develop improved social skills, and enhance student academic performance in the Negaunee School District. Co-funded with West End Health Foundation.	\$50,000*	Marquette
Northern Michigan University Matthew Jennings, Ph.D.	To increase the numbers of clinical workforce in the Upper Peninsula by implementing a program to educate high school health sciences and/or science teachers with an on-line program in Clinical Molecular Genetics - Education Track (CMG-Education).	\$34,000	Marquette
Superior Health Foundation Jim LaJoie	To implement evidence-based programs for youth facing depression, anxiety, and suicidal thoughts during the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$100,000*	Marquette

