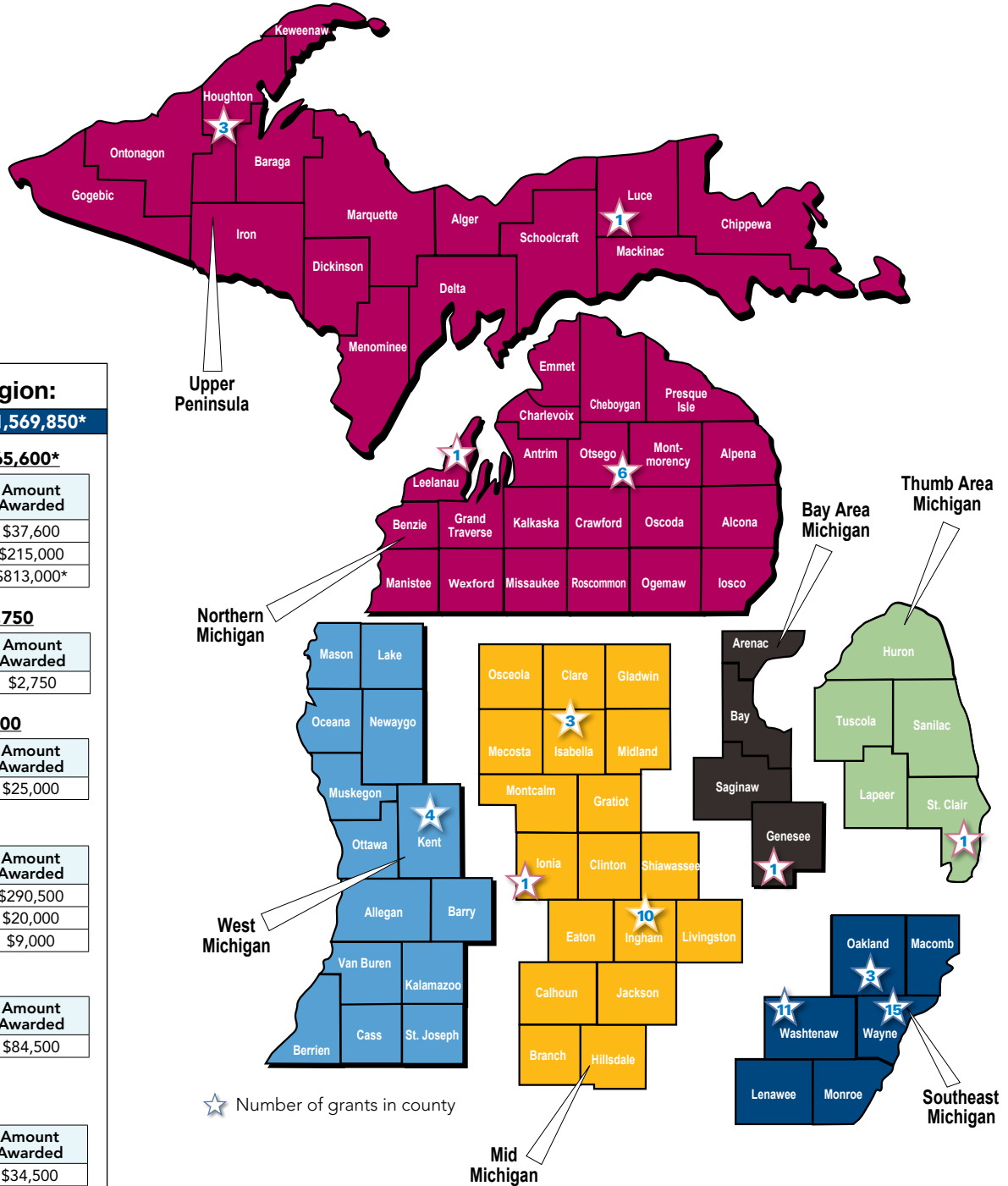


BCBSM Foundation 2022 Grant Highlights July 2022



Total Grants by Region:

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED: \$1,569,850*

Southeast Michigan: \$1,065,600*

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Oakland	3	\$37,600
Washtenaw	11	\$215,000
Wayne	15	\$813,000*

Thumb Area Michigan: \$2,750

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
St Clair	1	\$2,750

Bay Area Michigan: \$25,000

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Genesee	1	\$25,000

Mid-Michigan: \$319,500

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Ingham	10	\$290,500
Ionia	1	\$20,000
Isabella	3	\$9,000

West Michigan: \$84,500

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Kent	4	\$84,500

Northern Michigan & Upper Peninsula: \$72,500

County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Leelanau	1	\$34,500
Otsego	6	\$27,500
Houghton	3	\$7,000
Luce	1	\$3,500

*Includes partner funding of \$565,250

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SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
JULY 2022		\$99,000	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Asian Center of Southeast Michigan Janilla Lee, Ph.D.	Implement and evaluate a holistic eHealth community wellness program for older Asian Americans.	\$33,000 Community Health	Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, Wayne
University of Michigan Michigan Medicine Joseph Ladines Lim, M.D.	Examine the knowledge and attitudes about antimicrobial use and resistance in Refugees resettled in Michigan.	\$3,000 Physician Investigator	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Michigan Medicine Anne Ehlers, M.D.	Understand the patient's experience with non-operative ventral hernia care.	\$10,000 Physician Investigator	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Michigan Medicine Kimberly Rollings, Ph.D.	Evaluate the prevalence of health-related housing and neighborhood attributes, healthcare utilization, and the alignment with resident health needs across Michigan's Low-Income Housing Tax Credit supported housing.	\$35,000 Investigator Initiated	Washtenaw, statewide
YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit Lynette Simmons, MA	Support for the LIVESTRONG program for adult cancer survivors to reclaim their health and well-being with the support and participation of their primary caregivers.	\$18,000 Community Health	Wayne
APRIL 2022		\$966,600*	
Michigan School of Psychology Kaitlin Tuinstra	Explore how family functioning affects medication adherence among pediatric cancer patients.	\$3,000 Student Award	Oakland
Asian Center - Southeast Michigan Janilla Lee, Ph.D.	Grant writing support for the "Asian American Seniors' Wellness Program."	\$1,600 Proposal Development Award	Oakland
Eastern Michigan University College of Arts and Sciences Kristin Aho	Understand how the family impacts the development of school readiness, attention span, and problem-solving skills in preschoolers.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
Eastern Michigan University College of Arts and Sciences Kelsey Hill	Improve asthma self-management through intervention at an outpatient community mental health clinic.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
University of Michigan School of Social Work Nina Jackson Levin	Understand the sexual and reproductive health services for sexual and gender minority adolescent and young adult cancer patients and survivors.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
Growing Hope, Inc. Cynthia VanRenterghem, MA	Address mental health, food, and nutrition insecurity by supporting communal garden development activities in Ypsilanti.	\$38,000 Community Health	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Medical School Adrienne Lapidus, Ph.D.	Test a group intervention in a behavioral health setting delivered by Peer Support Specialists and Peer Recovery Coaches to improve oral health knowledge and dental care utilization among individuals with psychiatric disabilities.	\$55,000 Investigator-Initiated	Washtenaw, Ingham
University of Michigan Medical School Pasithorn Suwanabol, MS, M.D.	Examine the effect of providing patients with ileostomies post-operation medical-grade hydration beverages and barriers to adherence.	\$45,000 Investigator-Initiated	Washtenaw, Wayne, Kent, Grand Traverse
University of Michigan Cardiology Eric Brandt, MHS, M.D.	Determine the utilization of medical nutrition therapy in the management of patients during or after hospitalization for cardiovascular disease.	\$10,000 Physician Investigator	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Kellogg Eye Center Anjali Shah, M.D.	Examine how metabolic dysfunction impacts diabetic macular edema, and the need for intraocular injection treatment to retain vision.	\$10,000 Physician Investigator	Washtenaw

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APRIL 2022		\$966,600*	
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Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Liza Hinchey	Examine whether people exposed to subjectively traumatic events exhibit low cortisol reactivity to stress.	\$3,000 Student Award	Wayne
Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Kylie Kadey	Test a cost-effective, non-invasive method for detecting Alzheimer's disease.	\$3,000 Student Award	Wayne
Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Jessica Katschke	Explore whether response time and accuracy differ between young and older adults with dementia due to Alzheimer's disease.	\$3,000 Student Award	Wayne
Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Gavin Sanders	Investigate memory for emotional expressions after traumatic brain injury by evaluating assessments for recognition and memory for facial displays of emotion.	\$3,000 Student Award	Wayne
Ascension St. John Foundation Rebecca Sellers	Expansion of the Mobile Health Screening Center services to provide cardiovascular health education, preventive heart screenings, and earlier detection of cardiovascular disease for veterans and first responders.	\$30,000 Community Health	Wayne, Oakland, Macomb
Birth Detroit Leseliey Welch, MPH, MBA	Support for community-based pre-and post-natal midwifery services and programs to improve maternal outcomes for Black women.	\$38,000 Community Health	Wayne
Habitat for Humanity Detroit Stephanie Osterland, MA	Evaluate the effect of the Return Home Safe program intervention on the reductions of falls, emergency department visits, hospital readmissions, and cost of health care for older adults.	\$15,000 Community Health	Wayne
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit Jeannine Gant, MA	Support for the partnership with "Unite Us", an intuitive technology platform that supports collaboration and community-wide care coordination. Co-funded by BCBSM Social Mission, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Medical Center Foundation, Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and The Jewish Fund through the "Black-led Mental Health Partnership Pilot Program."	\$100,000* Request for Proposal	Wayne
Cody Rouge Community Action Alliance Kenyetta M. Campbell, MA	Support for mental health programs and staff, training, assessments, and town halls. Co-funded by BCBSM Social Mission, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Medical Center Foundation, Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and The Jewish Fund through the "Black-led Mental Health Partnership Pilot Program."	\$100,000* Request for Proposal	Wayne
Detroit Association of Black Organizations Rev. Horace Sheffield, III, MA, MPA	Support for the "Black Minds Matter" peer support group program that uses informed trauma approaches and illness management and recovery. Co-funded by BCBSM Social Mission, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Medical Center Foundation, Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and The Jewish Fund through the "Black-led Mental Health Partnership Pilot Program."	\$100,000* Request for Proposal	Wayne

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APRIL 2022		\$966,600*	
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Hannan Center Vincent Tilford, MBA	Support for case management, behavioral health, and wellness programs for older adults with coordinated primary care referrals to Corktown Health and SAGE Metro Detroit. Co-funded by BCBSM Social Mission, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Medical Center Foundation, Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and The Jewish Fund through the "Black-led Mental Health Partnership Pilot Program."	\$100,000* Request for Proposal	Wayne
Sexual Assault Services for Holistic Healing and Awareness (SASHA) Center Kalimah Johnson, LMSW	Increase mental health care utilization among African American women sexual assault survivors of sexual assault through behavioral health navigators. Co-funded by BCBSM Social Mission, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Medical Center Foundation, Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and The Jewish Fund through the "Black-led Mental Health Partnership Pilot Program."	\$100,000* Request for Proposal	Wayne
Teen H.Y.P.E. Ambra Redrick, MSW	Support for developing anti-stigma peer-delivered messaging, standardized screening practices, and protocols for supportive and hand-to-hand referrals. Co-funded by BCBSM Social Mission, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Medical Center Foundation, Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and The Jewish Fund through the "Black-led Mental Health Partnership Pilot Program."	\$100,000* Request for Proposal	Wayne
The Yunion Jason Wilson	Support for case management, mental health counseling, and training programs on youth mental health first aid, mental health awareness, and trauma-informed parenting in Detroit Public Schools Community District K-12 schools. Co-funded by BCBSM Social Mission, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Medical Center Foundation, Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and The Jewish Fund through the "Black-led Mental Health Partnership Pilot Program."	\$100,000* Request for Proposal	Wayne

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THUMB AREA MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
JULY 2022		\$2,750	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
BWROC, Inc. Patrick Patterson	Grant writing support for the "Blue Water Recovery and Outreach Center -Addiction/Substance Use Disorder Service Expansion and Enhancement."	\$2,750 Proposal Development Award	St. Clair

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BAY AREA MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
JULY 2022		\$25,000	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Communities First, Inc. Essence Wilson, MS	Providing wrap-around supportive services for individuals with disabilities experiencing homelessness.	\$25,000 Community Health	Genesee

MID-MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
JULY 2022		\$148,500	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Lifeboat Addiction Recovery Services Deborah Smith, Ph.D.	Expand the Lifeboat Outreach Initiative to serve those who experience substance use disorder and homelessness.	\$25,000 Community Health	Ingham
Michigan State Medical Society Foundation Rebecca Blake	Support to improve healthcare providers' knowledge of bioethical considerations of medical practice at the "MSMS Foundation's 26th Annual Conference on Bioethics."	\$36,000 Community Health	Ingham
Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Heatherlun Uphold, Ph.D.	Evaluation and dissemination of Greater Flint Health Equity Report Card to improve health equity in Greater Flint and support the creation of a Greater Flint Health Equity Master Plan.	\$67,500 Investigator Initiated	Ingham
Ionia Montcalm Secure and Friendly Environment Child Advocacy Center Lori Kirkhoff	Increasing child abuse awareness in kindergarten through fourth-grade students, their families, and teachers in Ionia and Montcalm schools.	\$20,000 Community Health	Ionia
APRIL 2022		\$171,000	
Michigan State University College of Education Aaron Zynda	Test the effectiveness of sensorimotor skills and deficits assessments after a sport-related concussion among high school and collegiate athletes.	\$3,000 Student Award	Ingham
Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Gabrielle Costello	Determine socio-economic barriers and ability to adhere to follow-up care among patients in rural emergency rooms in Huron County.	\$3,000 Student Award	Ingham, Huron
Michigan State University College of Social Science Jenna Beffel	Examine how to support typically developing siblings' ability and willingness to provide their sibling with autism spectrum disorder the care necessary to improve the family's health and well-being.	\$3,000 Student Award	Ingham
Michigan State University College of Social Science Katlyn Hettinger	Determine if high-deductible health insurance plans cause a year-end increase in non-urgent healthcare consumption and its effects on quality of care and health outcomes.	\$3,000 Student Award	Ingham
Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Mieka Smart, DrPH	Promote and increase the understanding of microaggression among medical education faculty.	\$50,000 Community Health	Ingham, Kent
Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Natoshia Cunningham, Ph.D.	Implement an evidence-based program to train school nurses and allied professionals to manage student pain in rural Northern Michigan.	\$55,000 Investigator-Initiated	Ingham, Northern Michigan

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APRIL 2022		\$171,000	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Michigan State University College of Education Gloria Lee, Ph.D.	Adapt a group intervention to teach individuals with mental illness stress management coping skills and support them to engage in self-care and healthy behaviors.	\$45,000 Investigator-Initiated	Ingham, Ottawa
Central Michigan University College of Medicine Lexie Alexander	Explore the effectiveness of group prenatal care compared to individual prenatal care in improving maternal and infant outcomes among pregnant women with opioid use disorder in rural communities.	\$3,000 Student Award	Isabella
Central Michigan University College of Medicine Maya Takagi	Examine COVID-19 virus, vaccine knowledge and perceptions, and the effectiveness of educational COVID-19 and vaccine interventions among Native Americans.	\$3,000 Student Award	Isabella
Central Michigan University College of Medicine Jad Zreik	Explore the perceptions of primary care physicians toward deprescribing among older adults.	\$3,000 Student Award	Isabella

WEST MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
JULY 2022		\$32,500	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
New City Neighbors Lance Kraai	Grant writing support for "Building Capacity for New City Neighbors to Build Neighborhood Capacity to Grow Healthy Produce."	\$2,500 Proposal Development Award	Kent
United Methodist Community House Carla Moore	Increasing access to nutritious food to improve health equity by supporting The Fresh Market's food procurement.	\$30,000 Community Health	Kent
APRIL 2022		\$52,000	
Catherine's Health Center Karen Kaashoek, RN, MBA	Establish a telehealth suite within Mel Trotter to connect with Catherine's psychiatry providers to reduce barriers to care and improve access to continuous psychiatric services for individuals with mental illness.	\$42,000 Community Health	Kent
West Michigan Veterans Coalition Debra Unseld	Support for volunteer training and mileage reimbursement for volunteers that provide medical and non-medical transportation for veterans and their support person.	\$10,000 Community Health	Kent

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN & UPPER PENINSULA GRANTEES

JULY 2022

\$39,000

Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Benzie Leelanau District Health Department Dan Thorell	Meeting students' and families' social service and behavioral health needs through connections and navigation services of Community Health Workers.	\$34,500 Community Health	Leelanau
Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly Cathy Aten	Grant writing support for the "Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly Med Trans 2.0" program.	\$1,000 Proposal Development Award	Houghton
Eastern Upper Peninsula Opioid Response Consortium Hunter Nostrant	Grant writing support for the programs of the Eastern Upper Peninsula Opioid Response Consortium.	\$3,500 Proposal Development Award	Luce
APRIL 2022		\$33,500	
Crossroads Ministries, Inc. Jennifer VanRyckeghem	Support program expansion-fatherhood initiative, in depth mentoring to moms, reproductive loss recovery, sexual risk avoidance education. Supported through the 2022 Otsego Community Foundation Community Grant Program.	\$2,500 Community Health	Otsego
Johannesburg Christian Church Pastor Tim Thompson	Provide new Automated External Defibrillators for medical assistance and help save lives to the Gaylord Post of the Michigan State Police. Supported through the 2022 Otsego Community Foundation Community Grant Program.	\$5,000 Community Health	Otsego
Northern Michigan Opioid Response Consortium Joyce Fetrow, CPRM, CPRM-M, CHW	Increase the number of distributed Naloxone Safety Kits and Medication Care Kits. Supported through the 2022 Otsego Community Foundation Community Grant Program.	\$5,000 Community Health	Otsego
Otsego County Child Welfare Alliance Brandy McVannel	Support for child abuse prevention and awareness programs, the needs of families, and mandated reporter training. Supported through the 2022 Otsego Community Foundation Community Grant Program.	\$5,000 Community Health	Otsego
Otsego County Food Pantry Bob Wright	Support to address food and nutrition insecurity. Supported through the 2022 Otsego Community Foundation Community Grant Program.	\$5,000 Community Health	Otsego
Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan Gail Kloss	Support for emergency and ongoing services for domestic abuse and sexual assault survivors. Supported through the 2022 Otsego Community Foundation Community Grant Program.	\$5,000 Community Health	Otsego
Michigan Technological University College of Engineering Alireza Asadbeygi	Examine the left atrium hemodynamics in patients with atrial fibrillation pre-ablation intervention and after ablation treatment.	\$3,000 Student Award	Houghton
Michigan Technological University College of Engineering Brennan Vogl	Develop predictive models of local hemodynamics in coronary artery disease using machine learning algorithms to create 3D reconstructed models of CT-scan images that can be evaluated more efficiently than currently available methods.	\$3,000 Student Award	Houghton

