



The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation

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## **Baltimore Mayor's Office Leads New Program to Support Small Nonprofits**

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### **Weinberg Foundation provides \$500,000 for Community Grants Program**

BALTIMORE (January 17, 2018) – The Office of the Mayor and The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation have partnered to create a funding opportunity for small nonprofits that provide direct services to low-income individuals and families in Baltimore City.

The Baltimore City Community Grants Program will provide grants of up to \$10,000 per year and a maximum of two years for general operating support, program support, equipment, and capacity building (e.g., evaluation and audit costs).

Mayor Catherine E. Pugh remarked, "Empowering those who are doing the work of lifting-up others in our community is essential as we address violence reduction and the causes that lead to violence. This new Community Grants Program is a direct result of our Call to Action initiative that brings together people committed to being part of the solution to reduce violence and strengthen Baltimore's neighborhoods. The grants will provide much-needed resources to organizations that otherwise may not have the capability to compete in a competitive grant application process, but which are nonetheless appropriately established, well-organized, and have a clear mission to make a positive difference."

The Mayor's Office and the Foundation will work together to review all grant applications and make expedited funding decisions. The Foundation will make all grant payments directly to the nonprofits.

"The partnership represents an effort to help nonprofits that do not meet the criteria for the Foundation's regular grants process or Small Grants Program but are still providing essential services for the Baltimore community," said Rachel Garbow Monroe, Weinberg Foundation President and CEO. "After attending my first Call to Action meeting, I was inspired by the passion and commitment of these individuals and organizations who work everyday to improve their community, often with little or no formal funding."

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis and should be submitted by email to [BaltimoreCityGrants@hjweinberg.org](mailto:BaltimoreCityGrants@hjweinberg.org).

To learn more about the Community Grants Program, including eligibility requirements and how to apply, please visit <http://hjweinbergfoundation.org/baltimore-community-grants>.

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#### **About The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation**

*The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, one of the largest private charitable foundations in the United States, provides approximately \$100 million in annual grants to nonprofits that provide direct services to low-income and vulnerable individuals and families, primarily in the United States and Israel. Grants are focused on meeting basic needs and enhancing an individual's ability to meet those needs with emphasis on older adults, the Jewish community, and the Foundation's priority communities of Maryland, Northeastern Pennsylvania, Hawaii, Chicago, New York City, San Francisco, rural communities in the United States, and the State of Israel. The trustees, some of whom also serve as executive officers of the Foundation, are Chair Robert T. Kelly, Jr., Donn Weinberg, Alvin Awaya, Fay Hartog-Levin, and Paula B. Pretlow. Rachel Garbow Monroe serves as the Weinberg Foundation's President and Chief Executive Officer. For more information, please visit [www.hjweinbergfoundation.org](http://www.hjweinbergfoundation.org).*