

JumpStart Community Safety Micro Grant Update

Tuesday Morning Breakfast Forum
August 14, 2018

Background

- The City launched the Community Empowerment Initiative (CEI) in 2017
- CEI focuses on:
 - Conflict Resolution & Mediation
 - Crime Fighting & Prevention
 - Opportunities for Youth and/or Parents
- Non-profit and community organizations have historically been active in these areas
- Seed grants and capacity building support can extend the impact of these organizations, providing a greater return for our community

Program Overview

- Grants up to \$500 focused on programming
- Organizations that serve a public good can apply for community-led projects in one of the CEI focus areas
- Applicants are required to:
 - Attend pre-application workshop
 - Submit completed application including project budget
 - Demonstrate project is connected to CEI themes
 - Complete project by June 30, 2018

Program Overview (continued)

- Target Organizations:
 - Should be community-based
 - Should have an annual operating budget less than \$100,000
 - Do **not** have to be a 501(c)3
 - Are encouraged to attend Housing & Neighborhood Services Neighborhood Training workshop opportunities

Phase 1: Programming Micro Grants

- \$30,000 in grants awarded to 60 organizations
- Many of the grants served multiple purposes / focus areas

Conflict Resolution

- 11 Projects
- Example:
 Mindfulness
 Training & Yoga
 in Hidden Valley

Crime Fighting & Prevention

- 12 Projects
- Example: Cops & Barbers

Opportunities for Youth & Parents

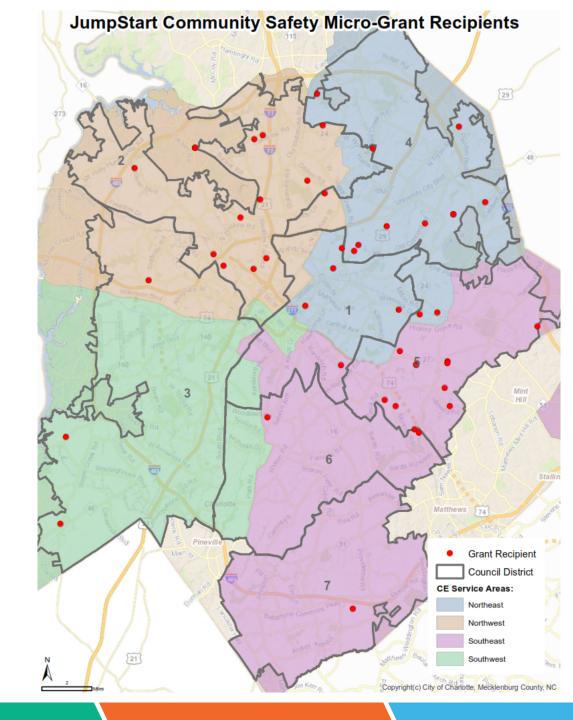
- 40 Projects
- Example: Florence Price Orchestra

All CEI Themes

- 15 Projects
- Example: Tour de Charlotte

Phase 1: Programming Micro Grants

- City-wide participation
- Organizations serve diverse communities
- 45% were grassroots organizations



Phase 1: Programming Micro Grants

Project showcase in the fall



Phase 2: Capacity Building

- Support will include cohort style training for small organizations
- Launch in late fall/early winter



Next Steps

- \$100,000 earmarked for 2018-2019 fiscal year
- City staff will work with partners to develop a network of support to help incubate and grow small grassroots and non-profit organizations
- City staff will engage community stakeholders to refine the eligibility and develop capacity building training for grantees
- Two levels of grants:
 - \$500 microgrants
 - Larger, capacity building grants
- Next grant cycle will be in 2019

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