Advancing Wellness Grantmaking
Economic Security & Dignity

Postsecondary Education and Training
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What We Fund

• College campus-based support programs that focus on the post-secondary educational success of young people, ages 16 to 26, who are or were in the juvenile justice system, are or were experiencing homelessness, or are or were in the foster care system.
• Supportive housing programs that are both:
  o Tailored to young people, ages 16 to 26, who are or were in the juvenile justice system, are or were experiencing homelessness, or are or were in the foster care system; and
  o Oriented to advancing their postsecondary educational success.
• Health professions schools and training programs that improve admission and retention rates of underrepresented racial minorities, with attention to health professional positions where racial disparities are greatest (e.g., physicians, dentists, pharmacists).
• Policy research & analysis, policy advocacy, policy implementation, systems change and/or organizing efforts that either:
  o Support the pursuit of higher education and career/technical education by young people, ages 16 to 26, who are or were in the juvenile justice system, are or were experiencing homelessness, or are or were in the foster care system; or
  o Address barriers to underrepresented racial minorities pursuing and/or sustaining careers in the health professions.
• Leadership development efforts that elevate the policy advocacy voices of either:
  o Young people who are or were in the juvenile justice system, are or were experiencing homelessness, or are or were in the foster care system, on postsecondary education issues; or
  o Underrepresented racial minorities on health professions training issues.

What We Do Not Fund

• Postsecondary educational access and success efforts that do not focus on young people, ages 16 to 26, who are or were in the juvenile justice system, are or were experiencing homelessness, or are or were in the foster care system, but instead serve a broader population of youth.
• Programs that primarily focus on college preparation or postsecondary educational access.
• Programs that primarily address high school completion or the acquisition of a GED or HiSET certificate.
• Any K-12-focused programs, including efforts focused STEM.
• Supportive housing programs that are not both:
  o Tailored to young people, ages 16 to 26, who are or were in the juvenile justice system, are or were experiencing homelessness, or are or were in the foster care system, and
  o Oriented to advancing their postsecondary educational success.
• Health professions schools and training programs that do not focus on underrepresented racial minorities, but instead address a broader student population.
• Efforts that focus on workforce/workplace diversity and/or cultural competence.
• Individual degrees.
• Stand-alone conferences.
- Individual fellowships or research projects.

**Grantee Organizations We’ve Funded**

Take a look at these grantee organizations to get a better sense of what we fund.

**Campaign for College Opportunity**
Los Angeles, CA
$250,000 over 3 years
Core operating support to develop and implement policy and coalition strategies to increase diversity in the health professions in California.

**Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science**
Los Angeles, CA
$450,000 over 3 years
Core operating support to continue to plan and implement a regional coordinated pathway (inclusive of community colleges and Charles Drew University's new four-year medical education program) for underrepresented minority students in South Los Angeles pursuing careers in health professions.

**First Place for Youth**
Oakland
$350,000 over 3 years
Core operating support to sustain and strengthen career-focused programming in six California counties for foster youth who are pregnant or parenting, with an emphasis on supporting their postsecondary educational progress and overall well-being.

**San Mateo Community College District**
San Mateo
$250,000 over 2.75 years
Core operating support for Project Change to sustain and strengthen efforts that support the wellbeing and postsecondary educational progress of youth connected to San Mateo County’s juvenile justice system.

**UCSF Fresno Latino Center for Medical Education and Research**
Fresno
$300,000 over 3 years
Core operating support for the Fresno Latino Center for Medical Education and Research to provide comprehensive health professions pipeline programming to underrepresented minority high school and college students in the Central Valley who are interested in pursuing health careers.

**Youth Law Center**
San Francisco
$500,000 over 3 years
Core operating support to sustain and strengthen policy advocacy efforts and statewide convenings focused on improving the wellbeing and postsecondary educational opportunities and outcomes of youth in the juvenile justice system.

**For More Information**
To learn more and apply for a grant, [visit here](#).