



## **2021 Grassroots Grants Programs**

**Program Name:** Academic and Social Club

**Organization:** Kentucky Refugee Ministries – Lexington

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**Program Description:** This program will provide social and scholarly opportunities for immigrant middle school students with the aim of overcoming the unique barriers and challenges often faced by newcomer students in Lexington, especially English learners.

**Area of Service:** 40504; 40508

**Program Name:** A Chance to Dance

**Organization:** A Chance to Dance, Inc.

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**Program Description:** Dance classes and performance opportunities are available to families of special needs children free of charge. A Chance to Dance provides these incredible young students with the opportunity to grow creatively as they gain self-confidence and benefit from weekly exercise through dance and movement instruction in a safe, welcoming, and fun environment.

**Area of Service:** 40508; \*Georgetown, KY 40324

**Program Name:** Alpha League

**Organization:** Alpha League, Inc.

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**Program Description:** Alpha League is a mentoring and leadership development program for underserved boys of color designed to remove barriers and provide opportunities through educational activities, civic engagement, and character development.

**Area of Service:** Various

**Program Name:** Art Club @ William Wells Brown Community Center

**Organization:** Sisohpromatem Art Foundation, Inc.

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**Program Description:** This is an art-based program focused on the development of 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders, especially those who are economically, educationally, socially, or in other ways disadvantaged.

**Area of Service:** 40508

**Program Name:** Bluegrass Youth Ballet Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)

**Organization:** Bluegrass Youth Ballet

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**Program Description:** BYB provides need-based tuition assistance serving youth from the Latino community, and other underserved communities. TAP students are directly integrated into Bluegrass Youth Ballet's pre-professional ballet curriculum and are given the opportunity to study ballet and perform in productions.

**Area of Service:** 40503

**Program Name:** Camp Hope

**Organization:** Bluegrass Care Navigators

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**Program Description:** This camp is for youth who are struggling with the trauma of having lost a loved one. Trained counselors provide age-appropriate activities designed around grief care in a fun and safe environment.

**Area of Service:** Versailles, KY 40383

**Program Name:** CIS Summer Camp

**Organization:** Community Inspired Solutions

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**Program Description:** CIS summer camp meets Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. for 4 weeks and provides life skills education, and recreational activities. They also incorporate an Equine training program that provides basic horsemanship skills allowing students to feel comfortable around horses.

**Area of Service:** 40511

**Program Name:** CKYO Friends in Music

**Organization:** Central Kentucky Youth Orchestras

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**Program Description:** Friends in Music is an after-school music instruction program that reaches middle school orchestra students in two Title I schools in Fayette County. The weekly program consists of two components for each participant: 1) an after-school group session led by mentors from the most advanced CKYO orchestra supervised by professional music educators; and 2) private lessons in partnership with the Central Music Academy, a local non-profit that provides free private instrumental lessons for students who qualify for free or reduced lunch.

**Area of Service:** 40505; 40511

**Program Name:** Commodore Crew Secret Agent Camp

**Organization:** 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center

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**Program Description:** This program is offered in the summer to provide lessons in STEM activities in forensic sciences, coding and technology, FBI physical fitness, etc. Every camper will get a free book, breakfast and lunch each day, and there will be two field trips, virtual or in-person.

**Area of Service:** 40517

**Program Name:** Enrichment Program

**Organization:** The Foster Care Council of Lex KY

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**Program Description:** The Enrichment program provides funding for foster youth, ages 6 – 18 to participate in an extra-curricular activity of their choice. Participation in structured activities such as basketball, dance, gymnastics, music and the arts will increase social, emotional, and physical development. This allows them to form strong bonds with coaches, teachers, staff, and their peer groups.

**Area of Service:** Various

**Program Name:** Extra Innings Triple Play Camp

**Organization:** 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC at Crawford Middle School

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**Program Description:** Extra Innings Triple Play camp is a two-week program held Monday – Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in June. Transportation and lunch will be provided. The camp will include three elements: 1) Caring for ourselves 2) Caring for our environment, and 3) Caring for others.

**Area of Service:** 40505

**Program Name:** Great Black Horsemen History Video Project

**Organization:** Phoenix Rising Lex

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**Program Description:** This program will produce a short video on the first time in history that African American jockey Isaac Murphy, and owner/trainer Dudley Allen won the 1891 Kentucky Derby. The goals of the project are threefold: 1) To engage youth in little known history 2) to teach the use of video and sound equipment, and 3) to produce a professional quality video to have aired publicly.

**Area of Service:** 40508; Various

**Program Name:** Inclusive Dance Outreach Program

**Organization:** Allegro Dance Project

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**Program Description:** The Inclusive Dance Outreach Program gives children with Down Syndrome, Autism Spectrum Disorder, and other specific needs in the Lexington area the opportunity to experience dance and to reap the many benefits it has to offer.

**Area of Service:** 40505; Various

**Program Name:** Jr. MANNRS Leadership Institute

**Organization:** UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Office of Diversity

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**Program Description:** The Jr. MANNRS Leadership Institute is held annually in the fall and is designed to stimulate the interest in science, technology, engineering, agricultural, and mathematic fields, or STEM. The goal is to encourage students in grades 7-12 to attend college and pursue agriculture, natural resources, and environmental sciences degrees.

**Area of Service:** 40546

**Program Name:** Kentucky Horse Park Mustang Troop

**Organization:** Kentucky Horse Park Foundation, Inc.

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**Program Description:** This program serves underprivileged youth through the channels of horsemanship and riding, providing a life-changing summer, horse camp experience free of charge.

**Area of Service:** 40511

**Program Name:** Lafayette High School International Tutoring Club

**Organization:** Lafayette High School Youth Services Center

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**Program Description:** The goal of this program is to improve international students' educational experience. They offer tutoring and field trips which provide a sense of connectedness to the Lafayette community.

**Area of Service:** 40503

**Program Name:** Latinx Leadership & College Experience Camp

**Organization:** Bluegrass Community and Technical College

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**Program Description:** This week-long intensive college and career preparation and leadership development program is designed for rising juniors and seniors in high school. It is open to all, but specializes in providing intentional support, information, and programming for Latino, immigrant, and refugee, first-generation college students and low-income students.

**Area of Service:** 40508; 40511; Various

**Program Name:** Leadership Apprentice Project

**Organization:** Winburn Middle School Youth Services Center

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**Program Description:** The Leadership Apprentice Project (LAP) is a course for 8<sup>th</sup> grade scholars who are inspiring as rising freshman at the next level of their educational journey. Scholars will obtain tools that bridge knowledge, performance, preparation and experience for a successful transition to high school and a career pathway to the future.

**Area of Service:** 40511

**Program Name:** Leaders in the Making

**Organization:** Paul Laurence Dunbar High School

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**Program Description:** Leaders in the Making is a group of young people united by a desire to dream, achieve and succeed regardless of the obstacles placed in their path. The program provides College tours, Job shadowing, Internships, Academic enhancement, and Professional development.

**Area of Service:** 40513

**Program Name:** Miss Fashionetta (TM) Scholarship Program

**Organization:** Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. BGO Chapter

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**Program Description:** This is a scholarship program for high school girls that meets 1 to 2 times a month and provides activities designed to enrich and enhance the lives of the participants through mind, body and spiritual promotion. The participants attend workshops on etiquette, communication, financial literacy, physical and mental health, college and career planning, and community activism.

**Area of Service:** Various

**Program Name:** Ramies Refuge Crisis Center

**Organization:** Rhema Word Foundation

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**Program Description:** This is a program designed to help children who are survivors of physical, mental, verbal, and sexual abuse to cope with the after-effects of being victimized. The program provides support groups and private counseling sessions. The program offers weekly afterschool programs that teach life skills, such as good hygiene, cooking classes, job readiness, resume' building, college application assistance, and finance.

**Area of Service:** 40515

**Program Name:** Regal Readers

**Organization:** KAPAAW, Inc.

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**Program Description:** Regal Readers is a community reading program to address gaps in literacy, and to develop the reading skills for participants in the Lexington area. The youth will learn different tools and techniques to spark, inspire and encourage excitement about reading. The youth will participate in weekly educational sessions that will address reading comprehension, vocabulary and more.

**Area of Service:** 40508

**Program Name:** Rooted: From Crisis to Ongoing Care

**Organization:** Arbor Youth Services

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**Program Description:** Rooted is a powerful program for youth ages 12 – 17 designed to provide continued care for youth that come from abuse, abandonment, and other types of crisis during childhood. The goal is to allow youth to come to a safe place for two hours a week so that they are able to experience “peer to peer” conversation that will allow them to gather the tools necessary to function well in their environment at home.

**Area of Service:** 40508

**Program Name:** STEM Club

**Organization:** Nerd Squad Inc.

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**Program Description:** STEM club is a program held at Winburn Middle School, designed to provide immersive STEM activities that allow participants to build technical and analytical STEM-based skills in which they can learn background knowledge and conduct experiments. They can then take results home to share with their family. The goal is to build self-confidence, pass on knowledge and empower young girls.

**Area of Service:** 40511

**Program Name:** Successful Innovators

**Organization:** Academic College Training Project

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**Program Description:** Success Academy consists of 50 high school students seeking assistance with services supporting their needs for their future. The needs include activities that will educate and train them, and to prepare the students for vocational and college training.

**Area of Service:** 40505

**Program Name:** The Lexington Education Partnership

**Organization:** LEAP Academy

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**Program Description:** The LEAP Academy is a graduated skills-based program that provides academic and enrichment support to underserved and underrepresented youth in grades K-12. The program will provide youth grade-level instruction in Math, Science, and Literacy. Youth will also have access to learning opportunities in STEM, Agriculture, Equine, and the Arts.

**Area of Service:** Various

**Program Name:** The Lion's Den at TALME

**Organization:** The Academy for Leadership at Millcreek Elementary

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**Program Description:** This summer program provides academic, artistic, and cultural enrichment opportunities for children who attend a high-poverty and low performing schools to help them meet state and local standards in core academic subjects, such as reading, math and science.

**Area of Service:** 40517

**Program Name:** Virtual Reading Camp

**Organization:** The Episcopal Diocese of Lexington

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**Program Description:** Virtual Reading Camp is a summer program outside of the traditional day camp program. Campers will receive a backpack full of new books and craft kits and each week counselors will lead small groups for 30 minutes leading campers in making crafts and socializing together. The goal of the program is to help campers improve their reading skills and confidence to expand their horizons through relationships with caring adults and new experiences.

**Area of Service:** \*Virtual

**Program Name:** WEB (Where Everybody Belongs)

**Organization:** Edythe J. Hayes Middle School

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**Program Description:** The WEB (Where Everybody Belongs) is a yearlong mentoring program designed to provide incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students with 2-3 8<sup>th</sup> grade peer mentors called WEB leaders. WEB leaders help incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders by providing educational leadership activities in and safe place to learn and guide them through their first year of middle school.

**Area of Service:** 40509

**Program Name:** West End Community Day Camp

**Organization:** Bluegrass Christian Camp

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**Program Description:** The camp will be held at Booker T. Washington and youth will be placed on teams of 10 – 15 and will be led by staff through various activities. Activities include: reading and math enrichment, crafts, sports, games, character training, swimming, and field trips.

**Area of Service:** 40508

**Program Name:** Young Men of Lansdowne and Leading Ladies

**Organization:** Lansdowne Elementary School

**Program Leader:** Matt Spottswood and Brenda Adams

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**Program Description:** This program serves students (boys and girls) at Lansdowne Elementary who have experienced adverse childhood trauma to teach them resiliency and coping strategies. The program works with the Life Adventure Center that provide horses, trails, ropes courses, zip lines, and other outdoor activities that help students learn the skills that can help them cope and get through difficult experiences.

**Area of Service:** 40517; 40383

**Program Name:** Young Stallions Mentoring Club

**Organization:** Sigma Lambda Beta EKV Colony

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**Program Description:** This mentoring program will be held at Russell Cave Elementary and is targeted for underrepresented kids, especially Latino male students. The program will meet September – December 2021. We want the students to feel empowered to pave their own way to future goals they have for themselves. The mentoring sessions will include topics such as the value of education, college basics, SMART goal setting, public speaking, and bullying and coding workshops.

**Area of Service:** 40511



**Program Name:** Youth Mariachi Ensemble

**Organization:** Casa de la Cultura Kentucky

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**Program Description:** This program exposes community youth to Mariachi music through ensemble, instruments (guitar, trumpet, violin/viola, or bass), singing classes, and performance opportunities. The musicians develop music and teamwork skills, create new friendships based in music, learn about Latin American culture, and sing in the Spanish language.

**Area of Service:** Various

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