

2025 Open Door Grants

In 2025, we awarded \$115,000 in grants to 17 organizations from our Open Door Grant Program, designed to give small- to mid-size non organizations access to funding through The Cape Cod Foundation. The program also gives our team the opportunity to learn more about their work. Grants range from \$5,000-\$10,000 and provide program or general operating support.

Atlantic Public Media, \$5,000

To support "Lepidoptera: A Science Story Slam and Workshop," a transformative storytelling model that trains scientists to tell powerful, human-centered stories about their research, bridging the gap between science and the public through live performance.

BAGLY, Inc. dba Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition, \$5,000

To support the expansion of community partnerships and resource access for transgender, nonbinary, and gender expansive people living on Cape Cod and the Islands.

Boys Town New England, \$5,000

To support the expansion of Boys Town New England's foster care services to Cape Cod, which provide love, stability, and a sense of belonging to children in need without uprooting them from the community.

Child & Family Services of Cape Cod, \$5,000

To support the creation and enhancement of their trauma-informed space in Hyannis.

Dignity Matters, Inc., \$5,000

To support approximately 208 homeless and low-income women and girls on Cape Cod with the basic dignity of reliable access to an essential but rarely donated item: monthly menstrual care products.

Falmouth Ice Arena, \$10,000

To support the "STEM and Skates" program, fostering both STEM education and skating for Falmouth youth.

Meetinghouse Clay Center, \$5,000

For "Centering with Clay," a collaboration between Meetinghouse Clay Center and Haven, a cancer + support group, a unique combination of art therapy and support group for people looking to find healing through the medium of clay.

Real Eyes Truth, \$10,000

For facilitation and support groups to support their mission of reaching diverse populations by addressing the root of intergenerational and cultural trauma through holistic mental health approaches.

Recovery Café, \$5,000

For the expansion of their capacity by increasing weekly and weekend sessions to build a supportive community for healing and growth.

Second Summer Cycle, \$10,000

For Second Summer Cycle, a charitable initiative that empowers 20 Cape nonprofits to collaborate, diversify their revenue streams, and raise funds from new donors to support their vital services that impact more than 100,000 Cape Cod residents each year.

The Herren Project, \$5,000

For Recovery Housing and Peer Recovery Coaching on Cape Cod.

The Lily House, \$10,000

For compassionate, end-of-life care for terminally ill residents at the Lily House, a community home for living and dying in Wellfleet.

The Local Journalism Project, \$5,000

To support the sustainability and future of local journalism through the education and training of young journalists.

Summer of Sass, Inc., \$5,000

To support their summer program offering LGBTQI 18–20-year-olds a welcoming place to live and work in Provincetown, Massachusetts, a community where they are celebrated.

Truro Community Kitchen, \$10,000

To help meet the rising demand for meals and increased personnel needs driven by growing food insecurity among Truro residents due to worsening economic conditions.

The Wôpanâak Language Reclamation Project, \$10,000

To help sustain and expand Indigenous language education, teacher training, and community engagement initiatives.

Yarmouth New Church Preservation Foundation, \$5,000

To support Thacher Hall and its growth as a vibrant cultural center and venue for community engagement.