

The TK Foundation Executive Summary of Grants 2015

Community Foundations of Canada

In 2014, the TK Foundation initiated a partnership with Community Foundations of Canada resulting in a three-year grant program called the Youth Catalyst Fund. This partnership mobilizes private, public and philanthropic contributions from partners such as The TK Foundation and Teekay Shipping (Canada) Ltd. Phase one of the Fund supports 10 innovative programs that are improving pathways to educational and career success for young people, including youth living with disabilities, and Aboriginal and newcomer youth that face disadvantages and barriers. The selected grantees are as follows:

Choices For Youth (St. John's, NL) 123,000 CAD

This grant will support young people who are homeless or at risk and help them gain skills to transition to longer-term employment and education opportunities.

Ability New Brunswick (Fredericton, NB) 150,000 CAD

This grant will increase education and employment for youth with a mobility disability through specialized planning tools and one-on-one support.

Agence Ometz (Montreal, QC) 138,000 CAD

This grant will offer job training to low-income youth that will enhance their employability.

Parrainage Civique les Marronniers | Jarry Deuxieme Cafe Bistro (Montreal, QC) 145,000 CAD

This grant will offer young people living with intellectual disabilities work experience through their bistro and catering service.

John Howard Society of Belleville and District (Belleville, ON) 175,000 CAD

This grant will provide wrap-around care and educational opportunities to high school students facing challenges to stay on track to graduate.

La Passerelle-IDE (Toronto, ON) 135,000 CAD

This grant will provide a culturally tailored, bilingual certificate program that enhances the employability of Francophone racialized, newcomer youth.

SKETCH Working Arts for Street-Involved and Homeless Youth (Toronto, ON) 170,000 CAD

This grant will offer young people arts-based educational programming and career building opportunities at SKETCH and through community art projects.

Chinook Regional Foundation for Career Transitions (Lethbridge, AB) 180,000 CAD

This grant will assist high school students and out-of-school youth in making the

transition into post-secondary education, training or employment.

Aunt Leah's Independent Lifeskills Society (New Westminster, BC) 105,850 CAD

This grant will create educational opportunities for youth leaving the foster care system and lower living costs through scholarships, bursaries and housing subsidies for foster youth while they attend school.

Fresh Roots Urban Farm Society (Vancouver, BC) 77,000 CAD

This grant will engage high school students in a school-based community garden program to build leadership, financial literacy and community involvement.

Maritime Conference Support

The TK Foundation believes that conferences devoted to knowledge sharing in the maritime realm can have significant positive outcomes for conference participants. The TK Foundation grant funds support eligible participants in attending maritime conferences. The TK Foundation believes that in addition to classroom experience, maritime conference attendance can offer eligible participants current knowledge of the continually evolving real-world maritime industry while encouraging continuous individual professional development and awareness of the vibrant maritime industry. In 2015, The TK Foundation provided \$113,381 to support the attendance of over 130 participants to various Maritime Conferences.

Youth Sailing

The TK Foundation supports nonprofit youth sailing programs that reach motivated disadvantaged youth. Winning programs offer youth an up-close and personal relationship with the ocean, provide them with opportunities to challenge themselves in an ocean environment, teach responsible seamanship and stewardship, and help them develop important life skills.

The 2015 grantees are as follows:

Broad Reach Foundation (USA)-\$10,000

This grant will provide continuous support of a Program Instructor full-time April 1 - August 31 to complete the Winter Program, maintain vessels, launch, rig and shakedown, sail the Summer Program, graduate, award scholarships, haul out, and launch an after-school Winter Program.

Brooklyn Boatworks (USA)-\$5,000

This grant will support the Summer Sailing curriculum, which incorporates leadership development, positive behavior modification, skills-building, and peer mentorship. Upon completion of the Summer Sailing program graduates will have opportunities to serve as mentors or volunteers to future Brooklyn Boatworks participants.

Center for Wooden Boats (USA)-\$30,000 (Over three years)

In 2015 to 2018, CWB will continue to develop Job Skills Training Programs with an emphasis on expanding the availability of maritime internship experiences. This program will help students learn how to find, get and keep a job while developing

technical proficiency in woodworking, boatbuilding, group, interpersonal, leadership, customer service, on-the-water skills. This program is designed to help students plan for the next steps in their career development.

Community Boating Center (USA)-\$5,000

CBC has established a youth "Sailorship" program to provide funding to children and teens for sailing and kayaking instruction or to groups committed to providing opportunities that allow the general public to experience the thrill of sailing and kayaking in upper Narragansett Bay. CBC Sailorships assist youth in elementary, middle, and high school in achieving a sailing or kayaking experience deserving of all Ocean State residents. Sailorships are awarded according to need, with priority given to students determined to reach beyond prior experience. Applicants must show a demonstrated need for financial assistance.

Courageous Sailing Center for Youth (USA)-\$10,000

To support the continued, year-round engagement of youth and families participating in the Reach Initiative programs. The Courageous Reach Initiative (RI) serves disadvantaged 4th and 5th graders in Boston. The RI engages these students in marine-based summer programs that support individualized summer learning and social-emotional development. An award would be applied to partially fund (1) the position of Youth Program Outreach Coordinator (YPOC); (2) School-Site Coordinators to support the YPOC with student referrals and school-year family engagement; and (3) a summertime Social Worker to assist the YPOC with individual case management.

El Viento Foundation (USA)-\$10,000

To empower disadvantaged students with the academic, social, and personal skills to advance beyond their current life of poverty for a more secure future. The program stimulates and nurtures social skills, environmental awareness, confidence, and optimism. The REACH Summer Sailing Program in collaboration with USSC utilizes sailing as a context to apply academic science, technology, math, and engineering lessons. The hands-on experience combines physical activity, sportsmanship, education, and the environment.

Grand Bahama Sailing Club (Bahamas)-\$10,000

Due to the geographical challenges of Grand Bahama, many children in the surrounding settlements of Freeport are unable to find transportation to the Sailing Club, the goal for 2016 is to continue the "Community Sailing Sponsorship Program" which has allowed them to bring junior sailing to these outside settlements. The goal is to continue to keep the children who received "summer camp sponsorships" to continue sailing throughout the year, and to compete at local and national regattas.

Hudson River Community Sailing (USA)-\$22,500 (over two years)

This grant will support the Youth Development Program (YDP), which engages underserved New York City high school students in a yearlong afterschool program that gives leadership skills and academic credit in math and science through sailing and boatbuilding. They partner with eight public high schools in the Chelsea Area of

Manhattan, and work with students through the 9th grade Sail Academy program, the 10th-12th grade First Mates, and the Internship Program spanning all four years. The curriculum is based on the methodology of experiential, student-centered, discovery learning both in the classroom and on the water.

Lake Champlain Community Sailing (USA)-\$10,000

The Community Sailing Center's Leadership program connects disadvantaged youth to Lake Champlain through sailing while providing hands on learning experiences, locally relevant education, and opportunities for environmental action and advocacy.

Participants are challenged to communicate and face adversity on the water, linking skills needed in school, at home, or in the workplace. US Sailing certified instructors provide a positive mentorship designing experiences for the participants to take positive risks developing the leadership skills necessary to make positive decisions.

Marine Inspirations (South Africa)-\$4,000

Marine Inspirations provides hands-on and active sea-going and shipboard experience on various vessels, in the interest of promoting good and responsible seamanship and safety-at-sea, while at the same time inspiring potential young mariners with a fresh enthusiasm about a possible sea-going career and life at sea. Funding would support 10 student-sailor candidates to fly and join various event programs abroad.

Piers Park Sailing Center (USA)-\$10,000

Piers Park's Inclusive Youth Development Program develops leadership skills, promotes healthy living, and educates local youth and teens about the environment and history of Boston Harbor through STEM curriculum in an inclusive environment. The Program is provided at no cost, and also serves 250 disabled youth.

Port of Los Angeles Sailing School (USA)-\$5,000

Funding would support participation in the LA Maritime Institute "TopSail Youth Program". 30 Students will benefit from the sailing program per session. Using the basic nautical knowledge that students acquire in Intro to Maritime Studies, students master the fundamentals of piloting and seamanship throughout the course.

Treasure Island Sailing Center (USA)-\$7,500

Youth Program provides year-round sailing instruction and life-skills development, augmented by STEM education opportunities. Programs include Youth Sailing, Junior Instructor Leadership, and Set Sail Learn, which provides sailing to every fourth grader in the SF School District.

Young Mariners Foundation (USA)-\$10,000

The Young Mariners Foundation (YMF) of Stamford, Connecticut is STEM-based (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) after-school enrichment program and summer sailing camp for children who are underserved, at-risk for academic failure and English language learners (EL) in the Stamford and Greenwich public schools. Programming is designed to increase academic and life skills achievement through the universal principles of sailing.

Bayfront Maritime Center aka Erie Maritime Foundation (USA)-\$138,594 (Over three years)

Project Sail helps poor and refugee youth from underperforming schools to develop job skills through hands-on projects in an after-school setting.

Bayfront Maritime Center aka Erie Maritime Foundation (USA)-\$10,000

This grant is to assist Bayfront Maritime Center to design a fundraising plan.

Scholarships

TKF strongly supports young people's efforts to explore the maritime realm as a career path. Students in their sophomore, junior or senior year, enrolled or enrolling in maritime majors at U.S. Universities are invited to apply for scholarships of up to \$10,000 per year. In 2015, TKF awarded \$360,000; of that amount, \$320,000 were "new" scholarships and \$40,000 were "renewal" scholarships.

In addition to scholarships to U.S. Universities, The TK Foundation provided up to \$112,000 to support three Polish orphans to attend Maritime Universities and \$525,000 for seven Lyford Cay Technical Scholarships (to be paid over five years).

Fellowships to World Maritime University

The World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden, is a postgraduate maritime university founded by the International Maritime Organization, a specialized agency of the United Nations.

The TK Foundation awarded \$214,000 to provide support to four students.

Disaster Relief

The TK Foundation endeavors to respond quickly and nimbly to emergencies worldwide with well-placed grant funding. The TK Foundation prefers to fund organizations that have been working in the region for many years, have a positive funding history with TKF and have existing connections to the people, the region and local Non Government Organizations working in the affected region. We also look to programs that will train and/or include participation of local people and staff and have longer-term plans in assisting the affected area, population or situation. Special attention will be directed towards programs that focus on TKF interest areas (i.e. at-risk youth and seafarers).

International Medical Corps-\$125,000

This grant is to support International Medical Corps' efforts in the treatment and the training in Liberia and Sierra Leone in response to the Ebola crisis.

Cooperative for Assistance & Relief Everywhere (CARE)-\$125,000

This grant is to support the two-phase response to the Ebola crisis in West Africa.

Cooperative for Assistance & Relief Everywhere (CARE)-\$100,000

This grant is to support the Nepal Earthquake Humanitarian Response Fund. The TK Foundation requests that funds be used specifically to responding directly to the Nepal earthquake Nepal earthquake relief.

Maritime

Global Maritime Education & Training Association-GlobalMET (New Zealand)-\$112,000

This grant is to support three training sessions of Continuous Professional Development of Delivery and Certification of Quality Maritime Education and Training.

Wilton Park (UK)-\$37,638

Wilton Park, a UK-based NGO, convenes international stakeholders to discuss the most pressing issues in foreign policy, business, security, diplomacy and social justice. Events organized by Wilton Park in the UK and overseas are attended by leading representatives from politics, diplomacy, academia, business, civil society, the military and the media. This grant was made to support the "Implementing Africa's Maritime Security Strategies" Conference.

Webb Institute (New York)-\$425,000 (Over five years)

Web Institute is a private undergraduate university offering a double major in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering. The student body consists of 89 undergraduate students and the student to faculty ratio is about 7:1. Job placement after graduation is currently 100%; graduate school placement is also very high. Being a "full-tuition" university, all students admitted to Webb receive a four-year, full tuition scholarship. Costs are limited to room, board, books, laptop and software.

Cape Eleuthera-BESS (Bahamas)-\$150,000 (Over five years)

This is to support the (BESS) at the Island School. This includes tuition assistance to attend the Island School and a \$3,000 stipend (\$500/month) during the 6-month internship.

Cape Eleuthera-DCMS (Bahamas)-\$180,000 (Over three years)

To provide general support to the Deep Creek Middle School (DCMS) as described in the proposal to The TK Foundation. This grant will allow DCMS to continue to operate as well as reach their goal of becoming a model for teaching and sustainability in the Bahamas and internationally.

International Seafarers' Welfare and Assistance Network-ISWAN (UK)

To provide a matching grant of up to \$90,000 to re-establish The Seafarers Emergency Fund. This fund provides immediate, essential aid to seafarers and families of seafarers, who are directly involved in sudden and unforeseen crises. This Fund is available to seafarer welfare organizations and other welfare organizations, hereinafter known as "Applying Organization" to provide the means to purchase goods and/or services for seafarers and/or the spouse or children of seafarers to relieve the need(s) brought on in relation with a sudden and unforeseen crisis.

Youth Development

The TK Foundation envisions a world where all youth have access to opportunities that lead to employment that allows them freedom, equality, security and human dignity. The

TK Foundation supports youth development programs that are meeting the needs of motivated disadvantaged youth ages 15-24 through innovative and effective programs that improve educational achievement and/or prepare the program's young beneficiaries for employment and careers that will allow them to become self-sufficient in adulthood. Payments to non-profit organizations for competitive grant programs in the U.S. and South Africa in 2014 continued into 2015. Several of those organizations that won grants in 2014 did not receive payments until 2015. These organizations are as follows:

Biotech Partners-\$300,000 (over three years)

To support the Opportunities in Biotech: High School to College to Careers and Expansion program for three years. This program aims to further improve educational achievement and prepare youth for the workplace.

Coalition for Responsible Community Development-\$300,000 (over three years)

To support the South Los Angeles Youth Build (SLAYB) program. SLAYB assists young people aged 17-24 obtain their high school diploma and begin an education and career training program that will ultimately lead to job placement.

Community Career Development 50,000 (over two years)

This program will assess, train and assist 75 youth aged 17-24, to achieve self-sufficiency through employment in trade and transportation fields.

First Place for Youth-\$300,000 (over three years)

First Place connects youth to housing, subsidizes the rent and helps youth locate viable job training programs while teaching youth necessary basic life skills and financial planning. Each youth is assigned an Education and Employment Specialist and a Youth Advocate who together develop a personalized action plan to guide the youth through the program. Ultimately youth will leave the program with a solid career foundation and begin taking over their rental agreement. This grant will connect foster youth to employment opportunities.

Hispanic Unity of Florida-\$200,000 (over two years)

Hispanic Unity of Florida (HUF) is the largest 501(c) 3 non-profit organization in Broward County, Florida dedicated to serving the immigrant population. HUF provides a diverse range of wrap-around services to help over 25,000 clients of all ages, from toddlers to seniors, successfully transition to a productive new life. This grant will support the Unity for Teens program which offers year-round structured enrichment, mentoring and recreational activities to 200 high school students.

International Trade Education Programs Inc.-\$225,000 (over two years)

International Trade Education Programs (ITEP) prepares low-income students in underperforming high schools in Southern California for career and college opportunities in high growth industries. They work with educators and business partners to enhance high school curriculum so it relates to professional careers in their communities. The students in ITEP programs face language, cultural, and economic barriers and many have no or too few examples of academic and career successes.

Many are facing immigration status issues and English is their second language. This program connects youth to employment by providing career-education curriculum that supports the workforce needs of major industries.

This grant was approved in 2015, but payment was not made until 2016 (wait for previous grant to end)

All Our Kin-\$200,000 (over four years)

All Our Kin is a nonprofit organization that trains and supports community child care providers in the Connecticut cities of Bridgeport, New Haven, Norwalk and Stamford. They provide child care licensing toolkits, mentoring, technical assistance, and Early Headstart (free, quality child care for eligible infants and toddlers in family child care programs across New Haven). All Our Kin employs twenty full-time and six part-time staff members in Bridgeport, New Haven and Stamford/Norwalk and five to ten volunteers. They serve over 400 family childcare providers who have the capacity to serve 2,400 children. This grant is to provide unrestricted operational support for four years.