

The newest Joshua Grant recipients are:

Academic Support Center

Next Generation City Ministries, Chicago, Illinois

Grant Amount - \$5,000

Next Generation City Ministries' Academic Support Center seeks to establish an after school program to assist students from Chicago's underserved Chatham community who need additional support to succeed in their education. Led by trained staff and volunteers, the Center tutors and mentors elementary students, and prepares high school students to take college standardized tests and obtain financial aid. Twice a week during the 2016-17 school year, the Center plans to offer a minimum of 30 students from under-resourced area schools a safe place for classroom lessons and college prep material to be studied, discussed, and understood.

After School Science and Math Club

Unity Lutheran Church/Awake, Berwyn, Illinois

Grant Amount - \$5,000

Awake's After School Science and Math Club for 1st through 6th grade students will develop intellectual and social well-being in participants through homework help and high quality STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) programming that emphasizes the value of tinkering and a growth mindset. Program staff will receive training and a fair wage in order to increase their vocational and financial well-being. The overall goal of the program is to ensure that participants develop greater interest and confidence in STEM area subjects. By developing participants' social and intellectual well-being, it improves their overall health and gives them hope for the future.

Foot and Wound Care Clinic

Central Lutheran Church, Anchorage, Alaska

Grant Amount - \$4,000

Central Lutheran Church's "Foot and Wound Care Clinic" will partner with the University of Alaska Anchorage School of Nursing to engage student nurses, faculty, and community health nurses to provide a much-needed service for the homeless of Anchorage. This vulnerable population spends much of their time on their feet walking and they do not have adequate socks and foot wear which exacerbates minor and significant lower extremity injuries. Exposure to cold brings a high rate of frostbite. Central Lutheran's new clinic will offer foot and nail care to minimize the spread of infection, wounds, amputation and socioeconomic burden.