



NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP AWARDS GRANTS TO SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

WINNETKA, July 25, 2007 - New Trier Township has awarded approximately \$1.01 million in funding for 43 programs designed to benefit a wide range of initiatives that address vital community needs in the Township. Each year, New Trier Township provides grants to organizations and programs that address quality-of-life issues, with an emphasis on seniors, youth, persons with disabilities, and individuals and families in crisis.

“This year’s funding reflects continued support of existing programs, while we are happy to expand our funding to include a new group - Special Gifts Theatre,” noted Patricia B. Cantor, Supervisor. Special Gifts Theatre provides children and teens with special needs the opportunity to participate in a unique and creative drama experience that enables personal growth, while breaking down stereotypes about people with disabilities within the community at large.

“This is the first year Special Gifts Theatre made a grant application and was awarded \$10,000 for their innovative program, both for its emphasis on personal development, enhancing self-esteem, and developing a sense of accomplishment for kids with disabilities, and for its use of non-disabled high school aged kids as mentors in an integrated setting,” noted Cantor.

Other grant recipients are:

- **Glencoe Jr. High Project** (\$14,250) for youth development and the Junior High drop-in center.
- **Youth Connection** (\$21,250) a drop-in center for Junior High kids in Wilmette.
- **Warming House Youth Center** (\$42,000) a drop-in center for High School kids.
- **Glencoe Youth Services** (\$36,000) the drop-in center for High School kids.
- **Winnetka Youth Organization** (\$45,000) the drop-in center for High School kids.
- **HAVEN** (\$83,100) for two program; the Family Intervention Program, which works with counseling troubled youth and their family’s, and Youth Outreach, which puts workers in the local high schools to seek out troubled kids and be a resource for them or steer them to local services.

New Trier Township
FY2008 Grants Awarded
Add -1-

- **PEER Services** (\$57,000) for three programs including Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment, Adult Substance Abuse Treatment, and Social Norming, which is an adolescent substance abuse prevention program.
- **LINKS** (\$60,000) for two programs including a Clinic/Counseling service and Outreach/Education program focusing on sexual education and prevention issues.
- **The HARBOUR** (\$10,000) for two programs including Emergency Housing and Independent Living programs for youth.
- **Center for Enriched Living** (\$21,000) for a social enrichment program for adults with developmental disabilities.
- **Children's Advocacy Center of NW Cook County** (\$5,000) for Coordination, Advocacy and Sensitive Interviewing (CASI) program that works with sexually abused children and their families.
- **Clearbrook** (\$19,500) for three programs for developmentally disabled adults and children, including Residential, Vocational Services and Children's Services, which include early diagnosis and treatment.
- **Glenkirk** (\$94,640) – for four programs for the developmentally disabled, including Residential, Vocational, Respite Services, and a newly funded program called Next Generation Services, designed to give consumers more choices in their service options.
- **Josselyn Center for Mental Health** (\$128,500) to support their Mental Health Program, a service for adults and children with chronic mental illness.
- **Lambs Farm** (\$21,000) for their Vocational Services program for adults with developmental disabilities.
- **SHORE** (\$28,900) for two programs including SHORE Training Center, which provides vocational services for persons with developmental disabilities, and the Lois Lloyd Center, a diagnostic and treatment center for adults and children with developmental disabilities.
- **BE-HIV or Better Existence with HIV** (\$4,000) to support two programs; Mental Health Services that provides counseling and other treatment options for those with HIV, and Prevention/Outreach that does education/prevention on HIV/AIDS.

- **Family Counseling Services of Glencoe** (\$31,875) to support individual and family counseling to residents on a sliding fee scale.
- **Family Service Center of Wilmette, Kenilworth, Glenview and Northbrook** (\$43,000) to support individual and family counseling to residents on a sliding fee scale.
- **Family Services of Winnetka/Northfield** (\$28,000) to support individual and family counseling to residents on a sliding fee scale.
- **Interfaith Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs** (\$10,500) to support the Homeshare program, one that matches seekers of housing to those willing to provide a home to mutually benefit both partners.
- **North Shore Senior Center** (\$104,715) to support four programs including: Adult Daycare (which includes transportation assistance to get Township residents to the daycare site), Comprehensive Senior Services, Community Education and Individual and Family Counseling.
- **Senior Action Service** (\$4,000) to support the Caring Home Aide Program, one that provides in-home care to seniors.
- **YWCA of Evanston** (\$25,000) to support the Domestic Violence Program, which includes shelter, court advocacy and transitional housing.
- **Volunteer Center of New Trier Township** (\$5,000) to support the Volunteer Services Program.
- **Meals at Home** (\$4,500) to support their program that delivers meals to homebound seniors or persons with disabilities on a sliding fee scale.

To receive funding, a group must be a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization and must have at least one paid full time equivalent (FTE) staff and a Board of Directors, direct service to Township residents, a firm sense of mission, and a well-organized management team. A volunteer advisory committee reviews grant applications and makes recommendations to the Supervisor and Board of Trustees.

“We are focused on how to best meet the needs of Township’s residents and we strongly encourage all eligible organizations to submit grant requests for further consideration,” added Cantor. Interested nonprofits should contact the New Trier Township Community Services Administrator at 847-446-8203.

New Trier Township
FY2008 Grants Awarded
Add -3-



New Trier Township's mission is to provide leadership and coordination to develop a community dedicated to maintaining and improving the quality of life in New Trier Township. Included in its borders are the villages of Wilmette, Kenilworth, Winnetka, and Glencoe, plus portions of Glenview and Northfield. There is also a small-unincorporated area. More information about its services can be found at <http://www.newtriertownship.com>.

Media requests should be directed to: Karen Spillers at 847-644-8514.