The Charles H. Revson Foundation Awards \$4.7 Million in Grants to 24 Recipients

The Revson Foundation is proud to share the organizations and initiatives that it has supported during the first half of 2024. These grants fall into the Foundation's four programs: Education, Jewish Life, Biomedical Research, and Urban Affairs.

The aim of the Education Program is to provide broad access to knowledge, information, and resources that foster and sustain an informed and engaged citizenry. In this round of funding, the program supported a variety of initiatives, including a new digital hub of civic opportunities made by and for young New Yorkers, scholarships for journalism graduate students from communities that are underrepresented in newsrooms, and a City College fellowship program preparing undergraduates for local public service and leadership.

The Jewish Life Program works in Israel and North America to improve social and economic outcomes and to advance spiritual care. North American grants in this round of funding will provide resources for Jewish chaplains on Rikers Island and help to engage the Jewish community in cross-partisan work to support democratic institutions. Grants to Israeli organizations will promote education through after school sports as well as employment in the Arab sector.

The Biomedical Research program is devoted to strengthening experimental basic research in the biomedical sciences. In this cycle, grants were awarded to support top tri-state biomedical science fellows with a two-year fellowship for third- and fourth-year postdoctoral students through the annual Charles H. Revson Senior Fellowship in Biomedical Science. Additionally, the Foundation provided grants to improve diversity in the field of Biomedical Science by supporting underrepresented minority postdoctoral fellows.

Lastly, the Urban Affairs Program collaborates with civic and cultural institutions, local government, and independent nonprofits to strengthen New York City's pluralistic communities and civic spaces. During this cycle, most grants supported community led efforts to welcome and help asylum seekers and other new immigrants to New York settle and thrive.

Refer to the complete list of grants issued through June 2024 below:

Education

Brooklyn Public Library—\$206,250—To support BKLYN Incubator.

Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism at CUNY—\$450,000—To support the Lisa Goldberg/Revson Foundation Scholars.

Groundswell Community Mural Project, Inc.—\$30,000—To support Groundswell in documenting and sharing the Rikers Island Murals.

Social Good Fund/YVote—\$90,000—To support the Youth Civic Hub.

The Foundation of the City College of New York—\$200,000—To support the New York City Leaders Fellowship program at City College.

Jewish Life

70 Faces Media—\$50,000—Support for Elevating Local Jewish Newspapers, including an assessment of digital needs and creation of a business plan.

Clal-The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership—\$37,500—To support a mapping of Jewish employee resource groups.

Co-Impact: The Partnership for a Breakthrough in Arab Employment—\$240,000—To provide operating support for programs that strengthen the recruitment pipeline of candidates from Arab society for employment and retention in Israel's private sector.

Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, Inc.—\$75,000—To support the Joining Rikers Island Worship Services Project.

Kings Bay YM-YWHA—\$45,000—Support for Building Bridges: services for Turkish refugees and migrants.

National Library of Israel—\$201,220—To support the Digital Archive of Arab and Culture Project at the National Library of Israel.

Shaar Shivion A.R—\$80,000—To support the Equalizer and Boatot programs in Arab and Bedouin communities, using sports as a tool for education, equality, and social cohesion.

Tides Center/Jewish Partnership for Democracy—\$150,000—To provide general support for A More Perfect Union: The Jewish Partnership for Democracy, engaging the Jewish community in cross-partisan work to strengthen democratic institutions and values.

Biomedical Research

The Charles H. Revson Senior Fellowship in Biomedical Science [awarded to six institutions]— \$1,967,883—To support the top tri-state area biomedical science fellows by providing a two-year fellowship for third- and fourth-year postdoctoral students.

Burroughs Wellcome Fund—\$300,000—To support Burroughs Wellcome Fund's Postdoctoral Diversity Enrichment Program by funding up to five BWF PDEP/Revson Scholars located in the New York Metro area.

Urban Affairs

Citizens Housing and Planning Council—\$50,000—To support strategies that clarify and elevate the role of property management in the affordable housing policy sector.

Immigrant Advocates Response Collaborative, Inc.—\$300,000—To support the Immigrant Advocates Response Collaborative (I-ARC).

Interfaith Center of New York—\$227,000—To support an interfaith coalition welcoming asylum seekers to New York.

National Association of Higher Education Systems (NASH)—\$50,000—To support NASH's efforts to support asylum seekers in partnership with the State University of New York.