

## Your Community Update

### Community Grants Cycle Awards Over \$420,000 in Local Grants

Bainbridge Community Foundation's Community Grants Cycle (CGC) is an opportunity for island residents to support the causes that matter most to them.

Some donors gave through BCF because the projects proposed in this year's CGC were important to them personally. One contributor, who supported a proposal by Battle Point Astronomical Association to repair their historic observatory building, wrote "Edwin E Ritchie [the building's namesake] was my father. I've always believed that he would be so excited to see everyone who passes through the doors and gazes through the telescope. I had the honor of watching him construct it. I miss him and always look for his special star when I look to the sky."

Others gave because they wanted to help provide basic needs for our neighbors, create opportunities for traditionally underserved populations, or support creative new initiatives in the arts sector. By the end of the cycle, BCF was able to fund all applications for a total of \$422,589. About 50% of the overall funding—or \$211,657 distributed among 24 organizations—went to health, housing, and human services nonprofits.



Photo courtesy of Bainbridge Island Museum of Art (BIMA)

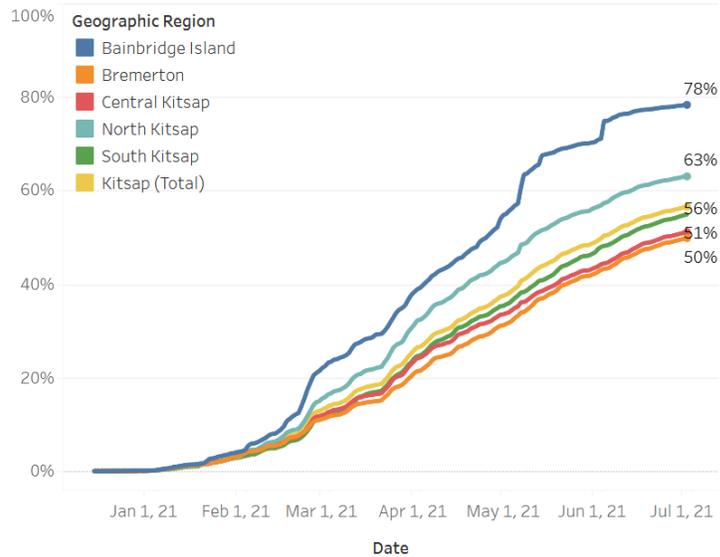
BCF has awarded more than \$3.3 million through the CGC since inception, with cumulative overall grantmaking more than \$17.5 million to date. BCF is deeply grateful for all donors and nonprofit partners that are committed to strengthening our community.

To read more about the awards given during this grants cycle and other details, please visit [our website here](#).

## Vaccine Rates on Bainbridge Island

Kitsap Public Health District is reporting that 78% of all Bainbridge Island residents ages 12 and above have initiated their COVID-19 vaccines. Data

## Percent of 12 + Kitsap Residents who have Initiated Vaccination by Geographic Region and Week of Vaccination



on the Vaccine Distribution Demographics page, found on their [website here](#), reveals how local vaccination rates vary by age, race, ethnicity, language and geographic area. Kitsap Public Health is collaborating with service organizations and healthcare providers to support equitable access to vaccines for eligible county residents.

This chart was last updated on July 7, 2021. [Learn more here.](#)



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