

Islander Mobile Home Park (New)
Affordable housing utility infrastructure replacement at Islander Mobile Home Park.
Amount Funded: \$22,000

Kathleen Sutton Fund
Reimbursing transportation costs for women undergoing cancer treatment.
Amount Funded: \$2,500

Kids In Concert
Provides free, trauma-informed music education, instruments, and mentorship to youth.
Amount Funded: \$13,000

KidVantage
Provides essential goods supporting families facing hardship across Kitsap Peninsula.
Amount Funded: \$13,575

Kidzz Helping Kidzz
Support for the Holiday Toy Drive for hospitalized children, offering comfort and joy.
Amount Funded: \$5,000

Kitsap Homes of Compassion
Grant writing support to help achieve mission.
Amount Funded: \$10,000

Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center
Immigrant youth development program supporting leadership and belonging.
Amount Funded: \$15,000

Kitsap Legal Aid Services
Funds coordinator to expand pro bono legal aid access countywide.
Amount Funded: \$14,740

Knights Community Hospital Equipment Lend Program (KC HELP)
Keeping doors open to lend free medical equipment to all.
Amount Funded: \$15,000

North Kitsap Fishline
Mobile food and resource hub serving community members in need.
Amount Funded: \$14,085

Peacock Family Services
Affordable early education and tuition assistance for vulnerable families.
Amount Funded: \$14,000

Planned Parenthood Great Northwest (PPGNHAIK) (New)
Support for the PPGNHAIK Bremerton Health Center.
Amount Funded: \$14,235

Rebuilding Hope Sexual Assault Center
Services for Kitsap County survivors of sexual violence.
Amount Funded: \$10,000

Scarlet Road
Prevention, outreach, and restoration services for sex trafficking survivors.
Amount Funded: \$15,000

South Kitsap Helpline (New)
Expanding hunger relief services in South Kitsap County.
Amount Funded: \$10,000

Teen Talking Circles
Scholarship funds for Teen Talking Circles workshops and facilitator training.
Amount Funded: \$9,000



Teens in Public Service (TIPS) (New)
Paid summer internships connect Bainbridge youth with nonprofits, building leadership skills.
Amount Funded: \$10,000

Vitalize Kitsap
Strengthening staff capacity for inclusive, community-based Vitalize Kitsap programs.
Amount Funded: \$13,000

West Sound Treatment Center
Low-barrier Emergent Stabilization Fund to stabilize vulnerable residents with housing, food, and essentials.
Amount Funded: \$14,000

YWCA of Kitsap County
Funds would replace HVAC system after a winter without heat.
Amount Funded: \$14,000

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Community Grants Cycle

Meet Our 2026 Grant Recipients!



Our 22nd Annual Community Grants Cycle was a great success!

On our 25th anniversary, Bainbridge Community Foundation reached a milestone for its Community Grants Cycle! **For the first time ever, we've awarded more than \$1 million to local organizations in a single cycle.** Inside this brochure, you'll learn more about the 96 nonprofits that are putting those dollars to work across our community.

This year, 78 participants, including four high school students, reviewed and conducted site visits for more than 100 applications, ultimately approving 96. Requests ranged from providing basic needs for neighbors, creating opportunities for traditionally underserved populations, as well as supporting creative new initiatives in the arts, in recreation, and in education. BCF provided \$90,000 in initial seed funding and the remaining support came from generous BainbridgeGives donors including BCF donor advised and donor designated funds and individual (or public) donations. **The total awarded this year was a record-setting \$1,058,977, greatly exceeding the previous high mark of \$849,180 distributed last year.**

Affordability and access to mental health services were identified as critical needs in our community. Nonprofits reported that 89% of their projects were related to affordability and 52% were related to supporting mental health. Almost 80% of applications were related to Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Social Justice (IDEAS) and five nonprofits received monetary awards for their work in this area. The largest grant is \$22,000 to the Islander Mobile Home Park, with donors rallying around this cause to preserve diversity and affordable housing.

Overall, the CGC program has **awarded 1,134 local grants for \$7,211,318 since it began in 2005**, providing support for specific projects, as well as mission support of local nonprofit organizations.

Bainbridge Gives

ARTS, CULTURE, & HUMANITIES

Amabile Choir

Hiring a part-time executive director in 2026 to help achieve its mission.

Amount Funded: \$8,000

Arts & Humanities Bainbridge

Supporting access to inclusive community arts and cultural programming.

Amount Funded: \$11,500

Bainbridge Arts & Crafts, Inc.

Supporting arts education and community outreach programs.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Bainbridge Ballet Performance Group

Producing The Nutcracker in 2026, which is the island's only full-length ballet.

Amount Funded: \$9,000

Bainbridge Chorale

Support to achieve mission of enriching and inspiring singers, audiences, and the community.

Amount Funded: \$5,000

Bainbridge History Museum

Accessibility equipment for the History Huddle community presentation series.

Amount Funded: \$9,250

Bainbridge Island Film Festival

Support for the 2026 Bainbridge Island Film Festival events.

Amount Funded: \$12,000

Bainbridge Island Japanese American Community (BIJAC)

Website updates, document transport, and Japanese Heritage Day event support.

Amount Funded: \$9,100

Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial Association

Completing the Japanese American Exclusion Memorial Visitor Center and exhibits.

Amount Funded: \$15,000

Bainbridge Island Museum of Art (BIMA)

Summer Art Camp scholarships and teaching artist support at BIMA.

Amount Funded: \$13,000

Bainbridge Island Poet Laureate Program

Funding the 2026-27 Visiting Writers Series: Self Portraits in Poems.

Amount Funded: \$10,000

Bainbridge Island Youth Orchestra (BIYO)

Celebrating 25 years of affordable youth music education on Bainbridge.

Amount Funded: \$5,000

Bainbridge Performing Arts (BPA)

Support for BPA Open Doors program providing free, reduced-cost arts access.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Ink & Ribbon Press *(New)*

Debut poetry publication, LemonLight Prize for emerging poets, and community literary programming launch.

Amount Funded: \$5,000

Kids Discovery Museum (KiDiMu)

Scholarship and staffing access for preschool students with special needs and families in need.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Kitsap Local Arts & Music (KLAM) *(New)*

Digitizing endangered Kitsap County music and cultural audio archives, prioritizing underrepresented groups.

Amount Funded: \$3,500

Ovation! Performing Arts Northwest

Support for mission of creating and presenting quality theatrical and arts education experiences.

Amount Funded: \$12,000

Rambler Arts

Support for an artist retreat that fosters visibility, cultural affirmation, and in-community connection for Latinx and Hispanic artists in a safe, supportive space.

Amount Funded: \$10,500

Suquamish Tribal Cultural Center dba Suquamish Museum *(New)*

Support for archives digitization and facility, landscape, and grounds improvements.

Amount Funded: \$15,000

Washington Museum Association *(New)*

Professional development access for museum volunteers and employees countywide.

Amount Funded: \$3,000

EDUCATION

Bainbridge Artisan Resource Network (BARN)

BARN Tuition Assistance Fund making hands-on maker programs accessible to all.

Amount Funded: \$15,000

Bainbridge Book Festival

Support to expand annual book festival connecting authors, readers, and ideas.

Amount Funded: \$10,000

Bainbridge High School Instrumental Music Boosters

Funding for instruments and classroom materials supporting middle school band students.

Amount Funded: \$11,500

Bainbridge Schools Foundation

Funding for K-6 interventions building literacy, math skills, and academic progress for Bainbridge Island public school students.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Battle Point Astronomical Association

Support for STEAM programs, planetarium shows, and school field trips.

Amount Funded: \$14,290

InvestED

Funding removes financial barriers so Bainbridge Island students can attend school, engage in work, and graduate.

Amount Funded: \$2,000



Kitsap Regional Library Foundation

Countywide summer program promoting literacy through reading, classes, and events.

Amount Funded: \$13,000

Montessori Country School (MCS)

Funding expands financial aid for children of MCS staff and families in the broader community.

Amount Funded: \$5,000

Neurodiverse Connections

Support for neuro-affirming programs fostering belonging, accessibility, and inclusion.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Olympic College Foundation

Support to expand Mental Health First Aid training for college community.

Amount Funded: \$12,000

Pacific Model United Nations

Financial aid for students participating in PACMUN 2026 conferences.

Amount Funded: \$3,000

SEA Discovery Center / WWU Foundation

Free hands-on marine science field trips at SEA Discovery Center.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Sustainable Bainbridge-The Reuse Depot

Building out the community reuse, repair, and lending space.

Amount Funded: \$15,000

ENVIRONMENT

Bainbridge Island Land Trust

Support for conserving and stewarding Bainbridge Island land and watersheds.

Amount Funded: \$13,000

Bloedel Reserve

Funding expands equitable access to Reserve grounds through reduced prices and free admission.

Amount Funded: \$13,300

EcoAdapt

Support for expanding community outreach and creating visual tools to better understand sea level rise.

Amount Funded: \$9,000

Friends of the Farms

Support for the future of local farming, while building a more resilient food ecosystem.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

IslandWood

Support for programming that inspires community stewardship of the environment.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Puget Sound Restoration Fund

Community-based kelp gardening program for marine reforestation around Bainbridge.

Amount Funded: \$12,875

ANIMAL WELFARE

Assistance Dogs Northwest (ADNW)

Therapy dog outreach for Bainbridge seniors, students, and veterans.

Amount Funded: \$14,250

Happy Hooves Sanctuary

Support for programs that build healing and confidence for youth and families through rescued horse experiences.

Amount Funded: \$10,000

Horse Harbor Foundation

Establishing a replenishable emergency veterinary fund for rescued horses.

Amount Funded: \$4,000

Kitsap Humane Society (KHS)

Trap-Neuter-Return and foster programs to reduce feral cat overpopulation.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

One Heart Wild

Support for providing a forever home for animals and inclusive therapeutic support for people.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Purrfect Pals *(New)*

Free mobile vaccinations for pets of low-income Bainbridge families.

Amount Funded: \$10,000

The Place of Horses

Equine-based programs for Bainbridge youth and veterans access.

Amount Funded: \$8,000

West Sound PAWS

Strengthening animal care through veterinary services and volunteer support.

Amount Funded: \$15,000

RECREATION

BHS Fastpitch Booster *(New)*

Funding for essential team and field equipment to improve accessibility and player experience.

Amount Funded: \$11,000

Bainbridge Island Boys & Girls Clubs / Boys & Girls Clubs of King County

Support for providing a safe, welcoming place for youth outside of school at three locations on Bainbridge Island.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Bainbridge Island Mountain Biking Club (BIMBC)

Funding provides coaching, smart trainers, and gear to ensure all families can access mountain biking on Bainbridge Island.

Amount Funded: \$6,500

Bainbridge Island High School

Baseball Boosters *(New)*

Funding for infield tarp system preserving field and improving player safety.

Amount Funded: \$11,777

Bainbridge Island Parks & Trails Foundation

Funding of Summer Trails Crew program that will restore Trillium Trail in Grand Forest West and other islandwide public trails.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Bainbridge Island Rowing

Replacement of aging motors to ensure rapid emergency response and consistent on-water coaching.

Amount Funded: \$13,500

Disabled Hikers *(New)*

Accessible trail guides and Disabled-led group hikes for outdoor access.

Amount Funded: \$8,500

Friends of Bainbridge Island

High School Sailing

Financial assistance to expand access to competitive high school sailing.

Amount Funded: \$10,000

Good Play America Foundation

Funding to provide equitable access to sports equipment and sustainability education, empowering youth through play.

Amount Funded: \$10,000

West Sound Soccer Academy

Support for girls' soccer programming by securing safe practice field rentals.

Amount Funded: \$13,000

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Bainbridge Prepares

Funding "Tomorrow Ready" emergency preparedness exercises for rapid community response training, particularly if off-island help is severed.

Amount Funded: \$12,500

Island Volunteer Caregivers

Twice-weekly social club supporting dementia patients and respite for caregivers.

Amount Funded: \$14,600

Marge Williams Center

Funding will replace aging blinds and provide a new door for the storage shed.

Amount Funded: \$3,000

One Call For All

Overhaul of the One Call For All online donation platform.

Amount Funded: \$6,000

Washington Poison Center (WA) *(New)*

Health educators provide outreach and safety information across Bainbridge Island.

Amount Funded: \$4,000

HEALTH, HOUSING & HUMAN SERVICES

Arms Around Bainbridge

Healthy chef-made meal delivery for Island households facing medical and related financial challenges.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Bainbridge Island Child Care Centers (BICCC)

Rain collection system for BICCC childcare programs and broader education.

Amount Funded: \$5,000

Bainbridge Island Senior/Community Center

Empowering and enhancing the quality of life of people in the community as they age.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Bainbridge Island Special Needs Foundation (Stephens House)

Supports adults with disabilities through skills, connection, and respite for caregivers.

Amount Funded: \$16,100

Bainbridge Youth Services

Free mental health therapy services for youth ages 13-21.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Dispute Resolution Center of Kitsap County

Emergency support for mediation, training, and facilitation services amid a proposed 25% state funding reduction.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Early Life Speech and Language

Expanding free early speech therapy services for young children.

Amount Funded: \$4,000

Evergreen Goodwill of Northwest Washington

Supports adult education, building skills and pathways to employment through Adult Basic Education Program.

Amount Funded: \$13,000

Fairy Tale TruBridge Foundation *(New)*

Minimally invasive dental rehabilitation for low-income Bainbridge residents.

Amount Funded: \$6,000

Give to Heal *(New)*

Trauma-informed holistic healing services for women impacted by trauma.

Amount Funded: \$5,000

Habitat for Humanity of Kitsap County *(New)*

Kitsap Habitat's workforce development and internship program support.

Amount Funded: \$5,000

Helpline House

Food security, children's mental health, and social services support.

Amount Funded: \$14,300

Holly Ridge Center

Birth-to-Three and adult employment services on Bainbridge Island.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

Housing Resources Bainbridge

Developing Finch Green, a neighborhood of 22 permanently affordable homes on Bainbridge.

Amount Funded: \$14,000

