



## Bereavement grantees

### **Alliance for Young Artists & Writers (Scholastic)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers a multiyear, \$1.2 million grant to support educational workshops and outreach initiatives focused on grief support. The investment also supports [the annual New York Life Award](#) which benefits bereaved youth and their educators across the country.

### **Arizona State University Foundation/REACH Institute**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the [REACH Institute within the ASU Foundation for a New American University](#) a three-year, \$925,000 grant supporting expanded access to [Resilient Parenting for Bereaved Families programming](#), as well as adaptations to enhance a more diverse cultural framework.

### **Association of Children's Museums**

The New York Life Foundation awarded an 18-month grant to the [Association of Children's Museums](#) to expand its ability to support bereaved children and families through increased awareness and enhanced capacity. This work includes a "Worldwide Day of Resilience" to support bereaved children, which will be held at several museums across the country.

### **Blue Ridge Hospice**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year grant of \$340,000 to Blue Ridge Hospice to support its [Adventuring Through Grief project](#). This program uses tabletop role playing games such as Dungeons and Dragons to help adolescents and young adults process their grief and connect with one another.

### **Boys and Girls Clubs of America**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year, \$1.65 million grant to the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, enabling the nonprofit to enhance and increase access to "[Be There](#)," an initiative to provide training, strategies and resources to increase a Club's capacity to support youth who are grieving. The investment also supports initiatives to address the growing need for more academic support in the Clubs, which aligns with the Foundation's educational philanthropic focus.

### **Children's Collaborative**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a grant of \$1 million to [the Children's Collaborative](#) in support of its work to pilot strategies for identifying bereaved children in order to connect them with appropriate resources. This program collaborates with local, state and federal governments and utilizes public records including birth and death certificates to ensure that different programs are communicating with each other in order to provide the most appropriate support to bereaved families.

### **The Compassionate Friends**

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The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year grant of \$300,000 to [The Compassionate Friends](#) to support its continuum of care for individuals and families who are grieving the death of a child. This will include updating and revising its resources for chapters of the organization and building its online presence to ensure those who need its resources can find them.

### **Dougy Center**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Dougy Center an \$850,000, three-year grant supporting national outreach efforts, specialized programming and grief education. The investment will expand access of [childhood bereavement support](#) to historically underrepresented and underserved populations in the Portland metro area while enhancing [Dougy's extensive national library](#) of education and training resources. One notable initiative this grant will fund is the Listening and Led by Youth in Foster Care: Grief, Hope and Transitions (L.Y.G.H.T.) program.

### **Eluna (The Moyer Foundation)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Eluna a three-year, \$1.5 million grant to continue facilitating the [Camp Erin network](#) with capacity building, advancement of the bereavement camp field and workforce engagement. Additionally, this grant will support the [National Bereavement Program Guide](#), a searchable database of bereavement centers.

### **Experience Camps**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year, \$1.3 million grant to [Experience Camps](#) to support three key objectives: elevating childhood grief as a national priority, expanding access to grief support, and strengthening caregiver communities. This grant will help carry the organization's work in bereavement camps outside of its traditional settings.

### **First Book**

The New York Life Foundation awarded First Book a three-year, \$2.2 million investment to enhance the Foundation's support of the [Grief, Loss, and Healing](#) section of First Book's online marketplace, community care and rapid response credits for communities experiencing bereavement situations. The grant also enhances the alignment between the organization and New York Life's Grief-Sensitive Schools Initiative®.

### **Hetrick-Martin Institute**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year, \$400,000 grant to the Hetrick-Martin Institute, supporting the dissemination and enhancement of Hetrick-Martin's LGBTQIA+ [Youth Bereavement Program](#).

### **International Documentary Association (One Last Hug)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a one-year grant of \$320,000 to the International Documentary Association in support of Greg DeHart's production of One Last Hug: Ten Years Later. This project is to create a film that follows up on DeHart's original documentary, [One Last Hug](#), which followed several bereaved children and their experiences with grief, loss and recovery. In the new documentary, viewers will understand how childhood bereavement changes with time but persists.



### **Jay Fund (Tom Coughlin Jay Fund)**

The New York Life Foundation has awarded a grant of \$300,000 to the Jay Fund to support an additional location for its Remembrance Weekend in the [New York/New Jersey area](#). This program is designed to support families who have lost a child to pediatric cancer by providing safe spaces to connect, share memories and honor their loved ones.

### **Judi's House/JAG Institute**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Judi's House/JAG Institute a three-year, \$1.35 million grant supporting the annual [Childhood Bereavement Estimation Model reports](#), the Childhood Bereavement Changemakers expansion and data and evaluation training for the bereavement field.

### **National Alliance on Children's Grief**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the National Alliance on Children's Grief a three-year, \$1.2 million grant supporting the organization's overall capacity, [professional engagement opportunities](#) and annual symposium. Additionally, this grant will pilot the creation and implementation of a bereavement resource phone line to be used to provide supplemental grief support in areas with limited bereavement centers.

### **The National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement (Children's Hospital of Los Angeles)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement a two-year, \$1.2 million grant enhancing its capacity to provide immediate response and support in the aftermath of school crisis events. Additionally, the funding supports oversight of [the Coalition to Support Grieving Students](#) and assistance with the large-scale school district implementation and resource creation as part of the Grief-Sensitive Schools Initiative ®.

### **National Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the National PTA a three-year, \$1.3 million grant to address grief and loss in school communities through the [PTA's Healthy Minds program](#), the development of resources for middle school students and underrepresented populations, and the promotion of grief, loss and resiliency resources. Additionally, this grant will cover the creation of youth spaces in middle schools designed to support grieving students based on the [New York Life Foundation's Lost in the Middle book](#).

### **School Social Workers Association of America**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a \$510,000 grant to the School Social Workers Association of America. This grant supports the [Certification in Culturally Informed Responses to Grief and Loss](#), providing a series of stackable courses that allow school social workers to demonstrate understanding of key skills needed to support grieving students with a cultural equity approach.

### **SeriousFun**

The New York Life Foundation has awarded a \$150,000 grant to be paid over three years to [SeriousFun](#) to help it build a tailored bereavement program for families who have lost a child due to a serious illness. Families will benefit from a year of group support sessions and a three-day camp.



### **Sesame Workshop**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year, \$1.5 million grant to Sesame Workshop. The investment builds upon the Foundation's previous partnership, which led to the creation of the [When Families Grieve toolkit](#). The continued support expands the availability of general grief and [bereavement resources](#) and COVID-specific resources for early childhood.

### **Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded TAPS a \$500,000 grant. This grant supported [TAPS' Good Grief Camp for Young Survivors at the National Military Survivor Seminar](#) and the [National Military Suicide Survivor Seminar](#) as well as scholarships for both seminars.

### **Trauma and Grief Center (Meadows Mental Health)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the Trauma and Grief (TAG) Center at the Hackett Center for Mental Health a three-year, \$1.4 million grant to establish [the TAG Center at the Meadows Institute](#) as the central hub for the TAG network, overseeing multiple satellite sites for children's hospitals nationwide.

### **Yale University**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Yale University a four-year, \$1.3 million grant supporting [the Grief-Sensitive Healthcare Project](#), which provides bereavement sensitivity training for healthcare professionals

## Education grantees

### **Actuarial Foundation**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$200,000 grant to the Actuarial Foundation that supports the [Math Motivators Tutoring Program](#) and [the Hardest Math Problem Competition](#).

### **Afterschool Alliance**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year, \$1 million grant to the Afterschool Alliance to support the administration of the [New York Life Foundation's Aim High RFP program](#) for out-of-school time programs serving middle school youth as well as the America After 3PM report, which documents how youth spend their out-of-school-time hours.

### **After-School All-Stars**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$1.6 million grant to After-School All-Stars. The grant enables After-School All-Stars to evolve its [programs](#) to meet current student needs amid COVID-19 recovery, deepen community engagement and family outreach, and help the nonprofit invest in needed organizational infrastructure.

### **American Museum of Natural History**



The New York Life Foundation awarded the American Museum of Natural History a two-year, \$1 million grant to support programs for middle school students, including the [Science Alliance](#), [Lang Science](#) and [Urban Advantage programs](#).

### **BellXcel**

The New York Life Foundation awarded BellXcel a two-year, \$1.75 million grant to expand the nonprofit's [programs and resources](#) for middle school students, educators and families.

### **Boys and Girls Clubs of America**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year, \$1.65 million grant to the [Boys and Girls Clubs of America](#), enabling the nonprofit to address COVID-19 related learning loss. This includes providing training, support and curriculum development on mental wellbeing and targeted academic support.

### **Breakthrough Collaborative**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Breakthrough Collaborative a two-year, \$500,000 grant to expand and strengthen the nonprofit's [year-round school program](#) across its affiliates to ensure students' readiness for high school and college.

### **Brooklyn Public Library**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the Brooklyn Public Library (BPL) a two-year, \$200,000 grant supporting [BPL's Summer Reading Program](#). The grant also supports the New York Life Foundation [Book Giveaway](#), which is coordinated with the [New York Public Library](#), the [Brooklyn Public Library](#) and the [Queens Public Library](#) and will distribute approximately 5,000 books per each library system at select branches.

### **City Year**

The New York Life Foundation awarded City Year a three-year, \$2.3 million grant providing middle school students in under-resourced schools with diverse and [enriching afterschool experiences](#).

### **Eagle Academy Foundation**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Eagle Academy Foundation a two-year, \$250,000 grant enabling the nonprofit to enhance its out-of-school-time programming for middle school students across [the Eagle network](#).

### **Girl Scouts of the USA**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Girl Scouts of the USA a two-year, \$500,000 grant supporting [the Cadette Welcome Project](#) for middle school-age girls.

### **Good Shepherd Services**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$400,000 grant to Good Shepherd Services by funding the "[Making the Transition](#)" afterschool program at three middle schools in the Bronx, New York.



### **Higher Achievement**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Higher Achievement a two-year, \$1.5 million grant enabling the nonprofit to implement a two-year [strategy](#) for COVID-19 recovery learning in a post-COVID-19 environment for its students.

### **National Summer Learning Association**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the National Summer Learning Association a three-year, \$1 million grant. The partnership supported the organization by promoting [program](#) quality, partnerships, policy work and innovation in the out-of-school field.

### **New York Public Library**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the New York Public Library (NYPL) a two-year, \$300,000 grant supporting [NYPL's Summer Reading Program](#). The grant also supports the New York Life Foundation [Book Giveaway](#), which is coordinated with the [New York Public Library](#), the [Brooklyn Public Library](#), and the [Queens Public Library](#) and will distribute approximately 5,000 books per each of the library systems at select branches.

### **Outward Bound**

The New York Life Foundation has granted \$150,000 to be paid over one year to refine and expand [Outward Bound's Middle School to High School Transition Program](#), which addresses the special needs of students at this age.

### **Queens Library Foundation**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$200,000 grant to the Queens Library Foundation supporting the organization's [Summer Reading Program](#). The grant also supports the New York Life Foundation [Book Giveaway](#), which is coordinated with the [New York Public Library](#), the [Brooklyn Public Library](#), and the [Queens Public Library](#) and will distribute approximately 5,000 books per each of the library systems at select branches.

### **Virtual Enterprise International**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a three-year, \$750,000 grant to Virtual Enterprises (VE) International supporting the nonprofit's [VE-Junior Ventures Program](#).

### **YMCA of Greater New York**

The New York Life Foundation awarded YMCA of Greater New York a two-year, \$500,000 grant supporting the [Y-Scholars program](#).

### **Youth Communication**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$300,000 grant to Youth Communication supporting the organization's ability to explore a partnership with [StoryCorps](#). In addition, the nonprofit will develop a toolkit of bereavement resources and professional development tools and training that will help middle school out-of-school-time staff increase their knowledge and skills specific to grief, loss and bereavement.

## Other strategic grantees

### **Enterprise Community Partners**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$500,000 grant to Enterprise Community Partners. The investment supports the organization's [Renter Wealth Creation Fund](#). Specifically, the fund provides renters with wealth building opportunities traditionally limited to homeowners.

### **Georgetown University**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Georgetown University a two-year, \$1 million grant. The funding supports the university's objective of helping diverse STEM-focused scholars succeed and grow in their academic careers.

### **Hampton University**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year \$500,000 grant to Hampton University to develop bereavement training and support for students. This will include establishing a model for Historically Black Colleges and Universities to develop their own bereavement care for students.

### **The HistoryMakers**

The New York Life Foundation awarded The HistoryMakers a two-year, \$500,000 grant. The investment supports the expansion of the two-module curriculum titled "AchievementMakers: It's Cool to Succeed." The curriculum is designed for middle school students based on stories from The HistoryMakers' digital archives of African American leaders. The two modules are titled "Becoming a FutureMaker," which focuses on identity and career pathways, and "Loss to Thriving," which focuses on the issue of loss and grief.

### **International African American Museum**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the International African American Museum a three-year, \$750,000 grant. The investment supports the museum's [Center for Family History](#), a one-of-a-kind research center with a special focus on African American genealogy. The Center will help individuals and families advance their understanding of their family's history and the role their ancestors played in shaping American history.

### **Low Income Investment Fund**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$500,000 grant to the Low Income Investment Fund in support of its Early Care and Education program. This program seeks to support small early childhood care programs in California, Washington D.C., Georgia and New York to enable small business owners to serve their communities and build their own generational wealth.

### **Ms. Foundation for Women**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the Ms. Foundation for Women a two-year, \$200,000 grant supporting the organization's [Girls of Color Initiative](#).

### **National Museum of African American History & Culture**

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The New York Life Foundation awarded a two-year, \$400,000 grant to the National Museum of African American History & Culture in support of the Freedmen's Bureau Initiative and the Community Curation Program. Through these programs, African Americans have access to learn about and preserve their family history.

#### **National Park Foundation (Lincoln Memorial)**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a one-year, \$250,000 grant to the National Park Foundation (NPF) in support of a rehabilitation project for the Lincoln Memorial. As part of this work, the NPF will be developing new exhibits below the memorial that will tell the story of the building of the memorial and significant historical moments that have happened on its steps, including speeches by President Lincoln, Marian Anderson and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

#### **National Urban Fellows**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a one-year, \$150,000 grant to National Urban Fellows to support its Economic Mobility for Social Impact Leaders program, which provides professional development and higher learning opportunities for those from low-income or first-generation households. Additionally, this support will help the organization with general capacity building and its Building Generational Wealth series.

#### **The Schomburg Center**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the Schomburg Center a one-year, \$200,000 grant. The funding supports the oral history project which enables trained library facilitators to lead workshops that teach others how to collect their own oral histories for future generations.

#### **The Steve Fund**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the Steve Fund a two-year, \$500,000 grant supporting the continued implementation of [bereavement programming](#) that addresses the mental health and emotional well-being of youth of color.

#### **Year Up**

The New York Life Foundation awarded a \$300,000 grant to Year Up that is to be paid over two years. This funding will support a financial education program for alumni of the program to help them build wealth at both individual and family levels and enable them to focus on long-term goals such as building generational wealth.

## General operating support

#### **The Anti-Defamation League**

The Foundation awarded a \$50,000 grant to the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) to help support the ADL's mission to combat antisemitism as part of its [Corporate Partners Against Hate program](#). Through this partnership the ADL will provide our workforce with educational opportunities, including anti-bias and antisemitism workshops, lunch and learns, and more.



### **Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund a two-year, \$200,000 grant. The grant provides general operating support and furthers the organization's work in addressing [critical issues](#) affecting Asian Americans, including immigrant rights, voting rights, economic justice for workers, educational equity, the elimination of anti-Asian violence, police misconduct and human trafficking.

### **CenterLink: The Community of LGBT Centers**

The New York Life Foundation awarded CenterLink a two-year, \$200,000 grant supporting the organization's facilitation of its [ActionLink](#) and [YouthLink](#) programs.

### **Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund**

The New York Life Foundation awarded Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund a two-year, \$200,000 grant. The investment facilitates the organization's [mission](#) of achieving full recognition of the civil rights of LGBTQ+ people and everyone living with HIV through impact litigation, education and public policy work.

### **LatinoJustice PRLDEF**

The New York Life Foundation awarded LatinoJustice PRLDEF a two-year, \$200,000 grant. The grant supports the organization's work on [critical systemic issues](#), such as voter's rights, immigration, housing issues, education equity, criminal justice reform and U.S. Census awareness.

### **NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund**

The New York Life Foundation awarded \$500,000 to be paid over two years to the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund. This grant will help the fund with general operating support so that it can continue its work as the most influential civil rights organization.

### **National Organization on Disability**

The New York Life Foundation awarded the National Organization on Disability a two-year, \$200,000 grant. The grant supports [the organization's mission](#) of ensuring individuals with disabilities are accommodated and given equal access to employment opportunities.