

Community Progress Makers:

Greater New York City

About Community Progress Makers

The Community Progress Makers initiative first launched in 2015 to provide unrestricted, trust-based funding to support visionary organizations that are working to connect low-income communities to greater economic opportunities.

Now in its fourth cohort, the program supports community-based organizations working locally across Citi's footprint. 16 nonprofits working in the greater New York City area are each receiving \$1 million in unrestricted funding over three years as well as access to a learning community, technical assistance and a network of changemakers across the country.

Greater New York City Highlights



16 unique organizations



\$16MM committed

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Unrestricted grant support is in high demand and low supply and we have witnessed how transformational this type of funding can be for community organizations. This is why we are pleased to support the innovative solutions and deep community work that the organizations in this fourth cohort of Community Progress Makers are leading through flexible, trust-based funding.”

Brandee McHale

President of the Citi Foundation

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Multi-year, unrestricted funding remains an incredibly effective and underused way to support strong nonprofits. By trusting community organizations and affording them some breathing room, Citi Foundation puts them in a better position to make a lasting difference in people's lives.”

Kathleen Enright

President and CEO of Council on Foundations

Meet the Fourth Cohort of Community Progress Makers from Greater New York City



America On Tech prepares the next generation of technology leaders by offering students of color in New York City programming on a variety of technology skills and supporting career readiness, internships and job placements.



Building Neighborhoods Together works to end housing insecurity, income inequality and homelessness for low-income families with a primary focus in the City of Bridgeport by creating safe and affordable housing and providing financial and housing counseling services.



Chhaya Community Development Corporation champions strong and equitable South Asian and Indo-Caribbean neighborhoods in New York City by providing home-buyer, tenant and small business support, financial counseling and tax preparation assistance.



Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation combines brick-and-mortar housing development and preservation with supportive services to help youth and adults in East New York and Brooklyn achieve educational and economic success and develop leadership skills.



Fifth Avenue Committee works to advance economic, social and racial justice in New York City through community-centered affordable housing, grassroots organizing, policy advocacy, education, training and service delivery.



Greater Newark Enterprises Corporation provides loan capital and technical assistance to micro and small businesses from underserved and underbanked communities in Northern New Jersey.

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Habitat for Humanity New York City and Westchester County

advocates for, builds and preserves affordable housing across the five New York City boroughs and Westchester County for low-income families and communities historically excluded from the homeownership market.



Start Small Think Big aims to advance economic equity by connecting New York City-based entrepreneurs of color and women entrepreneurs to an ecosystem of resources and support to help their businesses grow and prosper.



The Ali Forney Center aims to protect LGBTQ+ youth in New York City from the effects of homelessness by providing them with access to housing and job readiness training.



The Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development operates throughout New York City's five boroughs as a membership organization of community groups using research, technical assistance, advocacy and grassroots organizing to support affordable housing and economic development initiatives.



Leadership Training Institute

helps underserved families and individuals unlock their leadership potential through workforce development, mentoring and economic mobility programs on Long Island.



RiseBoro Community Partnership

offers programming focused on seniors, health, housing and financial stability to support underserved communities throughout New York City.



SEO (Sponsors for Educational Opportunity)

provides low-income public high school and college students in New York City with a cost-free, eight-year academic program that expands access to education, internships and other forms of career readiness.



Urban Upbound works to break cycles of poverty for residents of New York City public housing and low-income neighborhoods by providing employment services, access to college, small business support, tax preparation, mental health counseling and more.



SEPA Mujer aims to foster civic engagement and advance the leadership of women and girls in Long Island by providing inclusive access to resources like cash assistance and legal representation.



Women's Housing and Economic Development Corporation unlocks access to resources for residents of New York City's Bronx neighborhood, including sustainable and affordable homes, high-quality early education and after school programs, healthy food and cultural programming.