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## Woodside Community Action Grants Fall 2017 Funded Projects

### *ASU Handball*

**Student Lead:** Esteban Camacho

**Project Overview:** This program combines the sport of handball with academics and mentoring for high school students in the Phoenix Union High School District. The program creates meaningful life-lessons and support for each student, from the time they enter the program through their college graduation. This program has an emphasis on sports for leadership and social development as well as for the discipline that will be applied for academic success. Homework & Handball is committed to enhancing the future of the children within our target school districts by building life skills through sport, academics and extracurricular activities. We transform the lives of youth by instilling a passion for living and an appreciation for perseverance and hard work.

**Funding:** \$1,500

### *Devils for Justice*

**Student Lead:** Grace Hamm

**Project Overview:** Mission Team 7 of the Next Generation Service Corps at ASU is a group of students learn practical elements of leadership, learn cross-sector collaboration and take internships each summer working on real issues in the public, private and nonprofit sectors all while pursuing their own chosen social mission. Mission Team 7 focuses on social justice issues and wants to host six events aimed at educating college students and the public on the issue of mass incarceration and criminal justice reform. Three events will be hosted at Arizona State University, including a panel discussion focused on one of the issues surrounding criminal justice reform, a showing of the documentary True Convictions that follows the lives of three wrongfully convicted exonerees and a debate on the different viewpoints surrounding the criminal justice system.

**Funding:** \$1,400

### *Indigerise*

**Student Lead:** Laura Medina

**Project Overview:** Indigerise, an organization made of people who are familiar with working with Indigenous people. Our mission as bold organizers is to amplify Indigenous knowledge to shape strong communities who will lead the way in overcoming challenges, while reinvasion our sacred livelihood. This will be done by implementing an Indigenous convergence using a customized

planner and activities fit for Indigenous organizers. Additionally, InSingerise will hold events and hold convergences that will envision the future of this land we all must depend on.

**Funding: \$1,500**

### ***Latinx Eco Fest***

**Student Lead:** Suhey Ortega

**Project Overview:** Within the Latinx community there are many issues that Latinxs face such as: environmental racism, health issues, and uninformed eco-friendly practices. Latinx Eco Fest will be a local festival to bring awareness and provide inspiration to the Phoenix community within the topics of environmental sustainability. This will happen by bringing local and possibly national organizations to partner and hold workshops that will focus on being eco-friendly.

**Funding: \$1,500**

### ***Marshall Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project***

**Student Lead:** Lane Conrad

**Project Overview:** The Marshall Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project pairs ASU Law students with students in high school classes at South Mountain High School and Caesar Chavez High School to teach them the importance of understanding their constitutional rights. We then prepare the students to compete in moot court competitions with students from around the country.

**Funding: \$1,500**

### ***Project Bandaid***

**Student Lead:** Karishma Kothari

**Project Overview:** Within our current educational infrastructure, there's a lack of substantial preventive care knowledge present among elementary schoolchildren. With education cuts occurring statewide, many schools are left impoverished and school are incapable of implementing various programs to benefit their local communities. This endeavor aims to visit public and charter elementary schools in Southern Phoenix to further educate youth regarding easily avoidable health risks. Project Bandaid will immerse students ages 7-9 in hands-on activities involving what to do in different health-risk scenarios, learning to use basic first aid kits, and learning how to maintain active lifestyles ultimately to win variously themed bandaids and health stickers to encourage participation.

**Funding: \$1,500**

### ***Roosevelt Center for Sustainability Field Trips***

**Student Lead:** Kaitlynn Rafidi

**Project Overview:** The Roosevelt Center for Sustainability has a beautiful green house that is used to host field trips for the community, grow greens for the Roosevelt School District's cafeterias, and promote sustainability. The center would like to host an after school club for upper elementary students from the Roosevelt School District, but lacks funding for transportation. My grant will fund instructional materials for activities and an opportunity for 10 students to visit the center weekly and dive deeper into the concept of sustainability by creating gardens, working on the hydroponic plant system, and learning about the value of planting habitats that support our local species.

**Funding: \$1,200**

***Salaam Street***

**Student Lead:** Muhammed Kilic

**Project Overview:** A project that will create a documentary with the goal of challenging and changing today's views of Islam. Documenting 4 individuals of different religious backgrounds and their journey through the last ten days of the Islamic Holy month, Ramadan. The documentary aim is to continuously remove prejudice surrounding Islam. We plan to utilize the audience we have already built through our Islamic-inspired streetwear brand. We have multiple connections within the Tempe community that are ready to assist in making this project a reality.

**Funding: \$1,400**

***Trident Medical Organization***

**Project Leader:** Chance Marostica

**Project Overview:** A student run health care institution to empower underserved populations of the Phoenix Metropolitan area by promoting healthier communities. We are hoping to establish longitudinal partnerships with several primary care providers throughout the Valley in order to coordinate "Community Care Clinics." At these sites, we will be going into underserved communities to address their health needs and disparities, as opposed to forcing the underserved to find some way of coming to us at a fixed clinic site. Our clinics will be staffed by a team of medical students and medical professionals in the Phoenix area. We hope that our mobile clinic model will be able to address the health care disparities amongst underserved, and refugee populations better than the current system.

**Funding: \$1,500**

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**Funding:** \$1,500

### *Project Hygiene*

**Student Lead:** Tien Le

**Project Overview:** Project Hygiene aims to provide advocacy and education through presentations and group studies which emphasize the correlation between good hygiene and good health. Further, this project seeks to provide access to facilities for homeless people in the area to shower and get haircuts.

**Funding:** \$1,500

### *ASU Roadrunners*

**Student Lead:** Stephanie Cahill

**Project Overview:** ASU Roadrunners currently serves Gilliland Middle School in conjunction with their afterschool program. This program offers college readiness guidance and support to kids who lack at-home support. This project focuses on underserved communities in which gang violence, poverty, and lack of empowerment prevail.

**Funding:** \$1,500

### ***SHOW (Student Health Outreach for Wellness)***

**Student Lead:** Samantha Matta

**Project Overview:** SHOW's project is to host a mini, interdisciplinary and holistic Health Fair on Mill Avenue to provide basic services and resources for those experiencing homelessness in the Tempe area. Their clinic, Student Health Outreach for Wellness, already hosts an annual large scale Health Fair in Downtown Phoenix, but has yet to expand to other areas of need such as Mill Avenue.

**Funding:** \$1,500

### ***Home Base Initiative***

**Student Lead:** Madison Sutton

**Project Overview:** Home Base Initiative seeks to conduct research to better understand evidence-based mental health support programs currently in place in Maricopa County high schools. Upon conducting this research, this project will aid in the development of an accessible and sustainable community-based peer support system for students transitioning from junior high to high school. Overall, Home Base Initiative aims to promote positive community inclusion and mental health support.

**Funding:** \$1,500

### ***R.I.S.E. Tutoring***

**Student Lead:** Amir Khawaja

**Project Overview:** The primary goal of R.I.S.E. Tutoring is to discover refugee students' passions and plan interactive activities that foster their excitement about learning. This project aims to bridge mentorship and tutoring by expanding the extracurricular and educational engagement the program already offers students.

**Funding:** \$1,500

### ***Operation Toothbrush***

**Student Lead:** Kunal Mansukhani

**Project Overview:** Operation Toothbrush aims to spark a conversation regarding the importance of oral hygiene, specifically with the youth in Maricopa County by hosting workshops and activities at local schools. This project targets the disparity of Oral health education in lower income schools and dental deserts across Maricopa County.

**Funding:** \$1,500

### ***Science on Main***

**Student Lead:** Joe Holland

**Project Overview:** Science on Main provides a public space that mediates the interface between the public and science experts. Unlike public lecture or panels that are led by experts, this discussion-based program focuses on topics and questions that the public brings to the experts. They host a table, staffed by 3-5 volunteer experts, every month at a free festival in downtown Mesa.

**Funding:** \$900

***Power in Youth***

**Student Lead:** Sanya Virani

**Project Overview:** Power in Youth serves to empower today's youth with a healthy confidence, vision, and the work ethic needed for the future. We have developed a curriculum that we teach at Power in Youth and it consists of three parts: Body and Mind, Family and Community, and Organize/Lead.

**Funding:** \$1,500

***The Outdoors Club of America***

**Project Leader:** Brittney Deckard

**Project Overview:** The Outdoors Club of America aims to provide outdoor education opportunities to high school students across the United States in order to develop meaningful leadership and collaboration skills. High school teachers can sponsor a chapter of The Outdoors Club of America at their school, and students participate in planning outdoor activities like camping, hiking, and backpacking.

**Funding:** \$500