

**Partners For Places: P4P Leverages  
\$2 Million in Foundation Investments****PARTNERS  
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**The Partners for Places Selection Committee works with the Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities to develop RFPs and select the recipients of the twice-annual Partners for Places grants.**

Creating vibrant communities is a group effort. Place-based foundations offer unique knowledge of their communities, and the ability to provide seed money for important projects. Local government offers the power to move projects through planning, and development. Working together results in sustainability programs that save money, improve the environment, increase efficiency, and promote the well being of all residents. Half of all grants go to USDN members, and all require matching funds from community foundations.

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Project Description	Amount	Lead City	Grant Foundation Partner
To launch an energy retrofit program in homes of lower-income older adults in Blacksburg and the New River Valley in order to extend their independence and expand adoption of energy efficiency practices.	\$83,750	Blacksburg, VA	The Community Foundation of the New River Valley
To help move the community to the next level of water management and resiliency through water reuse opportunities in the face of persistent and long-term drought facing the region and state.	\$67,500	Chula Vista, CA	The San Diego Foundation
To enhance and strengthen Cincinnati's regional food system through civic engagement, new policies, and creation of a Cincy Food Fund and food fellowships.	\$105,000	Cincinnati, OH	The Carol Ann and Ralph V. Haile, Jr./U.S. Bank Foundation; Interact for Health
To utilize the arts and community organizing to empower residents of diverse neighborhoods to identify and pursue neighborhood sustainability goals.	\$25,000	Madison, WI	CUNA Mutual Foundation; Madison Community Foundation; Zendsk Neighbor Foundation; Summit Credit Union; National Guardian Life Insurance; David S. Bourne Foundation; American Family Insurance Company
To increase food security in New Bedford and advance the Sustaining New Bedford Plan goals by promoting use of the SNAP benefits program at city farmers' markets and enhancing engagement with community gardens.	\$39,000	New Bedford, MA	Island Foundation; Rainy Day Fund/Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts; The Upstream Foundation
To create opportunities for all residents, especially people of color, immigrants, refugees, low-income, and those with limited-English proficiency, to fully participate in and benefit from Seattle's environmental progress.	\$75,000	Seattle, WA	Bullitt Foundation; The Seattle Foundation; The Russell Family Foundation; Loom Foundation; Social Venture Partners Seattle
To activate the Stamford 2030 District, a resilient, high-performance building district in downtown Stamford with goals to dramatically reduce demand for energy and water resources and increase resiliency by 2030.	\$75,000	Stamford, CT	Emily Hall Tremaine Foundation
To support Vancouver's Upcycle Design Project, which seeks to catalyze the shift to integrated materials recovery and reuse, and green economy jobs in Vancouver's design, construction, and demolition sectors.	\$50,000	Vancouver, BC	Vancouver Foundation
To launch the Austin 2030 District, a voluntary initiative to reduce energy and water consumption and carbon emissions from Austin buildings.	\$100,000	Austin, TX	The Meadows Foundation
To increase and enhance resiliency in neighborhoods most vulnerable to the impacts of natural hazards and climate change.	\$75,000	Baltimore, MD	Baltimore Community Foundation; Town Creek Foundation
Towards establishing and enhancing programs which assist vulnerable populations and create an outreach coordinator position to help meet Bloomington's new residential energy reduction goal.	\$34,936	Bloomington, IN	Community Foundation of Bloomington; Monroe County Duke Energy Foundation
To mitigate and adapt to climate change by engaging residents in improving tree canopy, transportation mode shift, and entrepreneurship, delivering tangible outcomes for neighborhood resilience and equity.	\$35,000	Cleveland, OH	Sisters of Charity Foundation of Cleveland
To support early action projects in the creation of three vibrant urban village centers in Indianapolis by enhancing Livability, Opportunity, Vitality, and Education.	\$50,000	Indianapolis, IN	JP Morgan Chase Foundation
Will go towards implementing a neighborhood-scale greening plan in a socioeconomically and environmentally-deprived neighborhood; this project will assess the impact of the natural environment on human health.	\$75,000	Louisville, KY	Owsley Brown Family Foundation
To prepare the community to thrive amid increasing summer wildfire smoke and heat by helping Missoulians to be physically, mentally, and economically healthy and resilient.	\$45,000	Missoula, MT	Missoula Community Foundation
To create a GIS tool that collects environmental, social, and health outcome data to better inform the City and developers on how, where, and when to incorporate "green".	\$39,000	New Orleans, LA	Greater New Orleans Foundation
Will help develop a Complete Streets plan for Northampton, with an emphasis on equity and prioritization of projects based on socioeconomic status of residents and connectivity.	\$25,000	Northampton, MA	Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts

TOTAL: \$999,186