

**GRANT COMMITTEE  
2020-2021**

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**GRANT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2021**

**Organizations Recommended to Receive Grants**

**Funding Recommended: \$500,000**

**Anchorage Children's Home**

Request: \$45,000 Recommendation: \$45,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$370,000

Purpose: Requesting support for the "Hidle House" emergency youth crisis shelter program serving abused and homeless youth. Anticipates 150 annually. Only program within a 150-mile radius. 24/7 staff focus on education, employment, long-term goals for successful transition to independent living. They lost \$45,000 from the County.

**Avicenna Free Clinic**

Request: \$100,000 Recommendation: \$100,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$779,000

Purpose: Clinical staffing and medical supplies. Expect 3,200 patient visits mainly in primary care, neurology, and cardiology. Avicenna is continuing to renovate their newly purchased building on Frankford Ave.

**BASIC NWFL**

Request: \$25,000 Recommendation: \$12,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$97,000

Purpose: Adult Outreach Program. Proceeds will provide outreach and education on HCV/HIV prevention/risk reduction to 150 adults in Bay County.

**Bay Cares**

Request: \$100,000 Recommendation: \$95,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$773,777

Purpose: Operations, primarily for three staff members to provide eligibility determination, referrals, and care management. In 2020, served over 100 uninsured patients.

**Bay County Council on Aging**

Request: \$50,000 Recommendation: \$30,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$271,189

Purpose: This grant allows them to provide emergency respite services to families in need while they wait to get the family on one of the State/Federal grants.

**Covenant Care**

Request: \$25,000 Recommendation: \$15,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: New for 2021

Purpose: Provide charity care for palliative care in Bay County. Palliative care is specialized medical care for people living with a serious illness. It focuses on providing symptom relief and stress relief with goal of improving quality of life for both patients and families.

**FSU Foundation-Early Childhood Autism Program**

Request: \$20,000 Recommendation: \$15,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$105,000

Purpose: To fund scholarships for Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy services for children/young adults. They have lost funding for scholarships and the need after Hurricane Michael is even greater.

**Gulf Coast Children's Advocacy**

Request: \$15,000 Recommendation: \$15,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$62,000

Purpose: To address the mental health needs of mothers suffering with postpartum depression. They have identified a specialized clinician to provide this service. The agency has the support of the Healthy Start Coalition. Secondly, GCCAC is seeking funding in the amount of \$1,780 for specialized training for trauma therapists (EMDR- Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing). Lastly, to purchase a transponder and eight bracelets (\$3,220) for the Panama City Beach

Police Department and local, medically needing children for the purpose of safe, timely location in the event a child is lost or missing.

**Healthy Start**

Request: \$0 did not apply Recommendation: \$0  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$152,311

**Life Management Center**

Request: \$50,000 Recommendation: \$20,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$65,000

Purpose: Support their onsite primary care clinic for their mental health patients. The funds will be used to continue serving the approximately 178 individuals that the previous grants allowed them to begin serving. This number grew from 32. In addition, this grant will enable them to increase their capacity by 70 additional individuals. They saw 178 patients in 2020 due to addition of full-time medical provider.

**Mental Health America**

Request: \$9,500 Recommendation: \$9,500  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$20,000

Purpose: To fund operations to get them through the restoration of United Way funds in April 2021. Moved into a new office.

**PanCare**

Request: \$35,000 Recommendation: \$10,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$56,000

Purpose: To provide dental exams, cleanings, and sealants on the PanCare dental mobile bus throughout Bay District Schools for uninsured children.

**Second Chance of NWFL**

Request: \$25,000 Recommendation: \$25,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$215,112

Purpose: Provide brain injured adults and adults with cognitive disorders a safe harbor environment where they can develop their social and cognitive skills in an arena of belonging. Funds would be used to cover the building lease and utilities. They are currently serving 90 members (up from 50 in 2019).

**St. Andrew Community Medical Center**

Request: \$100,000 Recommendation: \$95,500  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$755,000

Purpose: Staffing and medical supplies. The BHF grant funds will be used for (1) part-time support for the Office Manager and Patient Assistance Program (PAP) Manager services, (2) part-time support for a registered nurse (RN), nurse tech, pharmacy tech, and clerical tech services, and (3) the purchase of pharmacy medications (provided free of charge to patients). During FY19-20 they served 11,321 patients. 16,476 prescriptions and \$7.5M of free health services.

**The Arc of the Bay (St. Andrew Bay Center)**

Request: \$25,000 Recommendation: \$13,000  
Historical Grant Total Last 8 years: \$48,000

Purpose: Their adult day training program supports more than 130 individuals each year with varying disabilities including cerebral palsy, intellectual disabilities, prader-willi syndrome, down syndrome, mental health, and autism. They currently have 220 individuals on Agency of Persons with Disabilities waiting list with an average wait time of 7 years.