

## Fall 2023 Grantees by Program Area

The Longwood Foundation is a catalyst to strengthen nonprofit organizations. These grantees are working to better serve their communities, and improve quality of life, in the state of Delaware and Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. We are excited to announce the 20 Fall 2023 grantees.



*The image above was taken at the Grantee Celebration on December 11, 2023, at Longwood Gardens. Together, we celebrated their awards and built connections amongst all.*

## ARTS

### Delaware Shakespeare Festival

\$87,500 establish a dual leadership structure and support a new earned income and fundraising plan.

### First State Ballet Theatre

\$300,000 to support their expansion with the launch of a satellite school in the Town of Whitehall.

### Joshua M. Freeman Foundation

\$1,250,000 to construct a permanent stage and administrative building at Freeman Arts Pavilion.

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## CIVIC

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### Stepping Stones Community Federal Credit Union

\$1,500,000 towards their campaign to leverage philanthropic contributions to acquire federally insured deposits in order to provide financial programs to low-to-moderate income Delawareans in the areas of affordable housing, workforce development, affordable transportation, credit building, and banking access & wealth creation services.

### The Wilmington Delaware Area Rotary Clubs Community Fund

\$85,000 to build a Ninja Warrior Playground in Alapocas Run State Park.

## EDUCATION

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### Braven

\$1,200,000 to launch its programming at Delaware State University, aimed at supporting students from college to career by partnering with colleges, universities, and employers to offer a credit-bearing college course and a post-course experience through graduation.

### Delaware State University Foundation

\$1,750,000 to support the expansion of their Department of Nursing, aimed at growing the number of nursing and allied health graduates.

### Wilmington University

\$1,000,000 to support the expansion of their Brandywine Campus to include a new Convocation Center and Law School building.

## ENVIRONMENT

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### Greater Lewes Foundation

\$1,000,000 to support the preservation of 29-acres of woodland inside the City of Lewes.

## HEALTH & HOSPITALS

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### The Rosa Health Center

\$800,000 to support the construction of additional exam rooms, a waiting area, and group educational space.

## HOUSING

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### **Be Ready Community Development Corporation**

\$1,000,000 to develop Solomon's Court, a mixed-use project, creating affordable rental housing, supporting small business growth, local job growth, and revitalization of the Fourth Street corridor in Wilmington.

### **Dover Interfaith Mission for Housing**

\$192,000 to develop two buildings to provide housing for those experiencing homelessness.

### **Gaudenzia**

\$200,000 to pilot multi-year supportive housing for pregnant and parenting women in the early stages of recovery from substance use disorder.

## SOCIAL SERVICES

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### **CHEER**

\$1,500,000 to support the construction of the Gateway East Low Income Senior Village Support Services and Administration Building as part of their Gateway East Low Income Senior Village project.

### **Edge for Tomorrow**

\$239,161 to support general operating enhancements including the program curriculum to include a more robust STEAM and SEL-based curriculum.

### **Innocence Project Delaware**

\$100,000 to hire a Director of Community Engagement and support the organization's mission to free the innocent and wrongly convicted in Delaware.

### **Keystone Human Services**

\$25,000 to provide professional development to their Delaware behavioral health staff on topics such as trauma-informed care and therapeutic interventions.

### **Limen Recovery + Wellness**

\$500,000 to support their expansion campaign and renovations at 819 Washington Street, which will include residential housing, a treatment center, a community center, and intensive outpatient center.

### **Toivoa**

\$300,000 to launch Toivoa Coaching, a peer support digital mental health therapy platform that employs people with disabilities.

### **West End Neighborhood House**

\$342,715 to assist with their growth, including improved financial systems and administrative capacity, as well as the addition of a Chief Operating Officer.