

## Summary of CPCI Grant Requests March 2017

### **School(s)/Amount Requested/Purpose/Dated Submitted**

#### **1) New Directions Alternative High School/\$2280/Character Camp (Field Trip May 30-31)/Mar. 6, 2017**

New Directions Alternative High School (NDAHS) is asking for \$2280 to take 25 high school students and five teachers to “Character Camp” for two days and one night. NDAHS is a program for APS students who are court involved and report to probation officers. NDAHS works with those students to help them get back on track academically and behaviorally. The camp NDAHS would take the students to is near Penn State and has no phone service – NDAHS believes a weekend away with no access to social media or phone calls will help the students work on character traits and positive relationships. NDAHS is asking for \$20 from each of the students and teachers to help defray the costs. The CPCI funds would cover food, lodging, activities, and transportation. NDAHS does not have extra funding for this type of activity. Philip Bonar, an Administrator at NDAHS, submitted this request on March 6, 2017.

#### **2) Carlin Springs ES/\$418/School Butterfly Garden Materials/March 14, 2017**

Carlin Springs is asking for \$418 to support environmental and science literacy for pre-K and summer students at Carlin Springs. Pre-K students will create a garden space at Carlin Springs with flowers and caterpillar host plants needed to support the lifecycles of a variety of butterflies. The hands-on gardening and follow-up activities such as sorting and measuring will help increase the students’ language and observational skills, fine motor skills, and math and science skills. The Pre-K students will grow the plants for the garden beds; students in the summer school program will help care for the garden. Yearly maintenance of the garden will include help from parents and volunteers during the school’s twice annual gardening days. In addition to being a yearly educational activity, the butterfly garden area will help beautiful a back entrance of the school where the Pre-K learning annexes are located, allowing the students to take pride in creating a beautiful space for themselves and other living things. The request will go towards two split rail fences (\$100), plastic storage bin and tools (\$138), two planter boxes (\$52), three butterfly bushes (\$60), and soil (\$68). This request was submitted on March 14, 2017.

#### **3) Randolph ES/\$2,000/School Landscaping and Beautification Project/Mar. 16, 2017**

Randolph is asking for \$2000 for a landscaping/beautification and community engagement project at the school. Randolph’s split-rail fence was hit by a car during a snowstorm in winter 2016 and has never been replaced. Randolph wants to replace the fence or install a low brick wall there, and plant additional trees, shrubs, and plants, to increase the curb appeal of the school and reduce the problem of mulch constantly spilling onto the sidewalks. Randolph has the opportunity for a free landscaping consultation, and is hoping to raise \$5,000 or more from a combination of sources, include its PTA, the Douglas Park Civic Association, and individual donors. Randolph envisions the project as stretching over a 6-8 month period (through fall 2017). The community engagement aspect of the project aims to bring more families into the planning and execution of the work, and to turn the school’s spring and fall “clean up” days into larger school events. This request was submitted on March 16, 2017.

#### **4) Gunston Middle School/\$1000/Literacy Efforts for HILT Students/Mar. 20, 2017**

Gunston is asking for \$1000 to support additional English proficiency programs and materials for its HILT/ELL students. Gunston MS has the largest HILT/ELL middle school student population with over 130 HILT students. Gunston would use the funds to subscribe to online programs, books, games, apps, and hands-on activities to help its HILT students accelerate their English learning skills. Gunston itemized its costs as follows: Universal Arts ESL Card and Learning Package 263.58 x 2 = \$527.16 | ESL Online Learning (App store) \$20 x 10 = \$200 | Additional support \$250. Gunston submitted its CPCI application on March 20, 2017.