

## 2015 Grants

### **Arts Together**

Arts Together is a community school for the arts; they cultivate individual creative strengths in a diverse, inclusive, collaborative and nurturing environment. Arts Together offers a wide range of year-round educational programs for toddlers to senior citizens.

Arts Together  
114 Saint Mary's Street  
Raleigh, NC 27605  
[www.artstogether.org](http://www.artstogether.org)

### **Augustine Literacy Project**

Augustine Literacy Project works to improve the reading, writing and spelling abilities of low-income children and teens who struggle with literacy skills. The project trains and supports volunteer tutors who provide free, long term, 1-to-1 instruction.

Augustine Literacy Project  
200 Hayes Road  
Chapel Hill, NC 27517  
[www.augustineproject.org](http://www.augustineproject.org)

### **Blue Ribbon Mentor Advocate Program of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Systems**

Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate is a comprehensive support program for students in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools. They provide students with mentoring, tutoring, advocacy, enrichment, leadership training, and scholarship support services. They serve students with potential that is as yet undeveloped. Volunteers and generous grants make the program successful.

Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate  
750 S. Merritt Road  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516  
<http://blueribbonmentors.org/>

### **Book Harvest**

Book Harvest's mission is to provide books to and share the power of literacy with babies, children and families in need in central North Carolina. Having plenty of books at home helps children start kindergarten ready to learn, combat summer learning loss and helps children identify as readers. Book Babies puts Medicaid-eligible children on path to early literacy and school readiness, starting at birth. Once a newborn is enrolled in Book Babies, Book Harvest makes home visits, providing parents with literacy coaching and delivering 10 new books every 6 months over the next five years.

Book Harvest  
2501 University Drive  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.bookharvestnc.org](http://www.bookharvestnc.org)

### **Boomerang Program**

Boomerang seeks to engage disconnected youth and their community by providing a supportive alternative environment for out of school time, offering resiliency-based training for professionals and other adults, and advocating for community change that has enduring benefits for all adolescents. This program works with short-term suspended middle and high school youth throughout Chapel Hill and Carrboro. They prioritize serving court-involved juveniles and substance-using students. In addition, they provide a community service site to high school youth who are involved in the adult court system.

The Boomerang Program  
825-A North Estes Drive  
Chapel Hill, NC 27514  
[www.ymcatriangle.org](http://www.ymcatriangle.org)

### **Boys & Girls Club of Wake County**

The mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need it the most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Boys & Girls Clubs offers a wide-range of After-School and Summer programs for youth ages 6-18 that focus on three key critical outcomes: Healthy Lifestyles, Academic Success, and Good Character & Citizenship.

Boys & Girls Club of Wake County  
701 Raleigh Boulevard  
Raleigh, NC 27610  
[www.wakebgc.org](http://www.wakebgc.org)

### **Citizen Schools, Inc.**

Citizen Schools, Inc. (Durham) partners with middle schools to expand the learning day for children in low-income communities and to engage students in real-world learning, ensuring that all children graduate high school ready to succeed in college and careers.

Citizen Schools, Inc.  
5624 Executive Center Drive, Suite 105  
Charlotte, NC 28212  
[www.citizenschools.org](http://www.citizenschools.org)

### **Communities in Schools of Durham County**

Each local affiliate, including Communities in Schools of Durham, works to fulfill the same important mission: to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay

in school and achieve in life. CIS of Durham does more than implement effective dropout prevention programs – they also work to bridge the gap between the needs of today’s young people and existing resources that can help meet those needs.

Communities in Schools of Durham  
3412 Westgate Drive, Suite 301  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.cisdurham.org](http://www.cisdurham.org)

**Communities in Schools of Orange County, Inc.**

Communities in Schools of Orange County (CIS) champions the connection of needed community resources with schools to help young people successfully learn, stay in school, and prepare for life. The population CIS of Orange County serves is Middle school students in grades 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools (CHCCS) and Orange County Schools (OCS) districts. These students either have been identified as having barriers to learning or they are in need of a structured environment during the critical hours of 3 pm – 6 pm.

Communities in Schools of Orange County, Inc.  
P.O. Box 9454  
Chapel Hill, NC 27515-9454  
[www.cisoc-nc.org](http://www.cisoc-nc.org)

**The Door**

The Door’s mission is to empower young people to reach their potential by providing comprehensive youth development services in a diverse and caring environment. Each year The Door serves more than 11,000 young people from all over New York City, with a wide range of services including reproductive health care and education, mental health counseling and crisis assistance, legal assistance, GED and ESOL classes, tutoring and homework help, college preparation services, career development, job training and placement, supportive housing, sports and recreational activities, arts, and nutritious meals – all for free, completely confidential, and under one roof.

The Door  
121 Avenue of the Americas, Ste. 506  
New York, NY 10013  
[www.door.org](http://www.door.org)

**Durham Nativity School**

Durham Nativity School (DNS) provides a positive learning environment for eligible boys in grades six through eight. This environment will support them in their personal, social, moral and intellectual development and position them to be successful at a college preparatory high school and through their college career. Offering an extended day, extended year program, the ultimate goal of DNS is to provide a multi-dimensional learning opportunity for its students so they will

be inspired to develop the skills and critical thinking necessary to become educated leaders and role models within their communities.

Durham Nativity School  
P.O. Box 3537  
Durham, NC 27702  
[www.durhamnativity.org](http://www.durhamnativity.org)

### **Durham Literacy Center**

The mission of the Durham Literacy Center is to empower Durham County residents who want to improve their lives and the lives of their families by improving their literacy skills.

The Durham Literacy Center serves these youth, ages 16-24 years old, in its Youth Education Program (formerly known as the Teen Career Academy). The Youth Education Program (YEP) is a basic education and high school equivalency diploma program that provides individualized instruction to address each student's academic deficits and prepare him or her to pass the high school equivalency GED exam. In addition, YEP staff and volunteers work with students to identify career goals and take steps to plan for college, vocational training, and/or the workforce.

Durham Literacy Center  
1905 Chapel Hill Rd.  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.durhamliteracy.org](http://www.durhamliteracy.org)

### **Exalt**

Exalt elevates expectations of personal success for youth ages 15-19 who've been involved in the criminal justice system. They inspire youth at a critical crossroads to believe in their worth, from the first steps in contemplation through the journey to create lasting behavioral change. Their powerful combination of structured classes for tangible skill development, individualized support to navigate the education and justice systems, placement in paid internships and an alumni network of resources equips youth with the tools and experience to avoid further criminal justice system involvement. Exalt empowers youth to see a future filled with hope – and they provide the road map to get there.

Exalt  
175 Remsen Street, Suite 1000  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
[www.exaltyouth.org](http://www.exaltyouth.org)

### **Exploris**

Exploris is a learning community that engages students in a rigorous, relevant, relationship-based education. This is done through experiential, project-based learning that empowers students to build a connected, just and sustainable world. Exploris implements a number of research-based best practices at the K-8 level that support long-term student success.

Exploris  
401 Hillsborough Street  
Raleigh, NC 27603  
[www.exploris.org](http://www.exploris.org)

**Kidznotes**

Kidznotes is a music for social change program that engages students pre-Kindergarten through the 12th grade in an intense, fully integrated, out-of-school musical program that includes instrumental instruction, choir, music theory, general music, orchestra, and band. Their classes are taught by Teaching Artists (TAs), professional musicians, and music teachers who are committed to teaching young students. The program operates 10 hours per week, 40 weeks a year, and in a 3-4 week Summer Camp.

Kidznotes  
BC Building  
423 Morris St.  
Durham, NC 27701  
[www.kidznotes.org](http://www.kidznotes.org)

**Minds Matter of NYC, Inc.**

Minds Matter transforms the lives of accomplished high school students from low-income families by broadening their dreams and preparing them for college success. They serve high school sophomores, juniors and seniors in New York City across all boroughs who come from low-income families with an average income of \$20,000.

Minds Matter of NYC, Inc.  
1120 Avenue of the Americas, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10036  
[www.mindsmatter.org](http://www.mindsmatter.org)

**Partners for Youth Opportunity**

Partners for Youth (PFY) is a year-round mentoring and summer job program for middle and high school students (ages 14-19) based in Southwest Central Durham. PFY is a uniquely comprehensive model which matches each participant with a team of four mentors. PFY strives to create long-term relationships and high quality enrichment activities that affect every aspect of their students' lives. Their goal is to support and motivate each student as they develop their aspirations for the future and the skills they will need to become successful, contributing members of their communities.

Partners for Youth Opportunity  
1309 Halley Street  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.pyopportunity.org](http://www.pyopportunity.org)

**Raleigh Charter High School**

Raleigh Charter High School is a public, tuition-free, charter high school serving students in grades 9-12. Admission is through an annual lottery. Their current students reside in Wake and five additional counties. In their history, students have resided in Wake and as many as eleven surrounding counties.

Raleigh Charter High School, Inc.  
1307 Glenwood Avenue  
Raleigh, NC 27605  
<http://www.raleighcharterhs.org/>

**Raleigh Rescue Mission**

Since 1961, Raleigh Rescue Mission has offered hope and life-changing help to well over 750,000 homeless and hurting individuals. From the simplest prayer in their lobby, to moving a client into housing, they work to share the love of Christ in everything they do. Today they serve men and women battling life-controlling issues, women and children needing emergency shelter those who thirst in the summer and shiver in the winter, those who never had a chance and those who need a second chance.

Raleigh Rescue Mission  
314 E. Hargett Street  
Raleigh, NC 27601  
[www.raleighrescue.org](http://www.raleighrescue.org)

**Read and Feed**

Read and Feed bridges the gap of reading deficiencies for disadvantaged children. They combine a mobile classroom, a child-friendly atmosphere, books, food, and tutors to motivate children to become confident in their academic skills so they have every opportunity to succeed in adult life.

Read and Feed  
193 High House Road  
Cary, NC 27511  
[www.readandfeed.org](http://www.readandfeed.org)

**Street Soccer**

The mission of Street Soccer USA (SSUSA) is to improve health, education, and employment outcomes for the most disadvantaged Americans by using sport to transfer the skills necessary so that they can achieve these outcomes for themselves. They also seek to raise awareness of the challenges of poverty in America so as a country they can achieve a more level playing field for all. Morgan Creek Foundation supports their after school Street Soccer Life Skills program for low-income youth in Flatbush, Brooklyn. Participants attend the life skills program thrice weekly, receive academic support, and attend weekly outcome enhancing workshops including financial literacy, mentoring, and healthy living.

Street Soccer  
5 Hanover Square, 17<sup>th</sup> Fl.  
New York, NY 10004  
[www.streetsoccerusa.org](http://www.streetsoccerusa.org)

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Carolina Student Transfer Excellence Program (C-Step)**

The Carolina Student Transfer Excellence Program helps low-income, qualified community college students gain access into and graduate successfully from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. The program not only promotes access, it strives to ensure the success of each student during their time at the community college through to graduation from the University.

Office of Undergraduate Admissions  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Campus Box 2200 Jackson Hall  
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-2200

<http://admissions.unc.edu/apply/transfer-students/carolina-student-transfer-excellence-program-c-step/>

**Volunteers for Youth**

Volunteers for Youth provides services to Orange County youth to integrate them into the community in ways that help them make responsible choices and recognize that they have a stake in their future. The focus of Volunteers for Youth is delinquency prevention. Through the mentoring program, community service program and teen court program, Volunteers for Youth works to provide young people with the tools to become responsible adults.

Volunteers for Youth, Inc.  
205 Lloyd St, Suite 103  
Carrboro, NC 27510  
[www.volunteersforyouth.org](http://www.volunteersforyouth.org)

**Wade Edwards Foundation**

The mission of the Wade Edwards Foundation and Learning Lab (WELL) is to provide the student community with opportunities for achievement, enrichment and service in preparation for personal and academic success. In partnership with Women in Computer Science (WiCS) at NC State University, this six-week, recurring program allows interested students to dive into computer science with a hands-on approach. Hi Tech Teens, a WELL program, is not just another opportunity for teens to get screen time. It is a deliberate opportunity for them to understand and explore what is behind the screen. Students work with mentors – young, successful students at NCSU and many currently working in the field of Computer Science – to complete project-based learning activities focused on designing, coding, and building websites, games and applications.

In addition, Hi Tech Teens specifically recruits girls and minorities as participants to change the trajectory of computer science away from being a white, male-dominated career field. By

learning the basics of computer programming and practicing presentation skills, these students are opening up options to explore a wealth of career opportunities in computer science and technology.

Wade Edwards Foundation  
714 Saint Mary's Street  
Raleigh, NC 27605  
[www.wade.org](http://www.wade.org)

**Wee Care Children's Enrichment Program**

Wee Care Children's Enrichment Program provides a positive, loving and enriched preschool environment, free of charge, which fosters the social, emotional, physical and cognitive growth of children who are socially and/or economically at risk.

Wee Care Children's Enrichment Program  
P.O. Box 30413  
Raleigh, NC 27622-0413  
[www.weecareinc.org](http://www.weecareinc.org)

**YMCA of the Triangle – member branch Chapel Hill-Carrboro YMCA**

Y Learning is the YMCA of the Triangle's signature afterschool tutorial program for low-income children struggling academically. Students meet in small groups (1:7 tutor: student ratio) to address remedial math and literacy needs as well as focus on completing their homework. A typical Y Learning program runs for 31 weeks of the 36 week academic school year. Program participants will enjoy a snack, individualized tutoring and age-appropriate activities for a total program time of 2.5 – 3 hours per day.

YMCA of the Triangle  
980 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd  
Chapel Hill, NC 27514  
[www.ymcatriangle.org/chapel-hill-carrboro-ymca](http://www.ymcatriangle.org/chapel-hill-carrboro-ymca)