

2018

YOUTH AS RESOURCES

2017-2018

Annual Report



WHAT IS YOUTH AS RESOURCES?

Kenosha County Youth As Resources (YAR) is a grant-giving program which funds youth-designed, youth-led community service projects in Kenosha County.

YAR was developed by Kenosha County UW-Extension in partnership with United Way of Kenosha County.

Youth, with guidance from adults, determine the project they believe will address a need in their community and apply to Kenosha County Youth As Resources for grants of up to \$500.

The YAR Board reads all applications and invites youth groups to present their proposals directly to the board.



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PROJECTS AWARDED

In 2017-2018, YAR funded 11 projects, disbursing \$4,210 for community service projects. All funds for YAR projects come from United Way contributions. The funded projects were:

ROYAL KIDS FAMILY CAMP—\$500—GREAT LAKES CHURCH

The Royal Family Kids of the Great Lakes Church was granted \$500 to provide foster children ages 6-12 a week of positive memories in a Christian camp environment .

KD PARK WALKING BRIDGE Project—\$500—BOY SCOUT TROOP 381

Boy Scout Troop 381 was granted \$500 to rebuild the old wood structure bridge on the walking trail at KD park.

ANDREW RASCH EAGLE SCOUT PROGRAM—\$200—WISCONSIN SHORES CHALLENGER LEAGUES

The Wisconsin Shores Challenger Leagues was granted \$200 to replace the baseball field with new baseball clay and a special "Magical Mix" to make the baseball field more handicap friendly.

"BAILA CONMIGO" HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH - \$500 - LATINOS SIN FRONTERAS OF BRADFORD HIGH

The Latinos Sin Fronteras of Bradford High was granted \$500 for their project of socialization and inclusion of the elderly population by bringing multiple generations and multi-ethnic groups together during Hispanic Heritage Month in September.

GROW YOUR BRAIN!: LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES—\$250— BOY SCOUT TROOP 505

Boy Scout Troop 505 was granted \$250 to address education in Kenosha by increasing access to books in the area around Curtis Strange by building, painting, and stocking two Little Libraries.

MARLEIGH'S MINISTRY—\$100—BRISTOL CHALLENGE 4-H CLUB

The Bristol Challenge 4-H Club was granted \$100 to buy and send care packages to families in the special care units of hospitals located in Kenosha County, such as the St. Catherine's Medical Center.

UNSUNG HEROES APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION—\$300— BRADFORD LEADING LADIES

The Bradford Leading Ladies was granted \$300 for supplies to create handmade notes, cards, patriotic decorative, and magnet crafts for their social outreach and emotional support/wellness for those that are forgotten about, unsung hero's, or underappreciated in the community on Veteran's Day, Staff Appreciation Day, Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day.

EASTER BASKETS FOR LOW INCOME FAMILIES—\$500— HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH CHRISTIAN FORMATION

The Holy Cross Christian Formation was granted \$500 to buy supplies to make Easter Baskets and Easter morning breakfast for 100 low-income families in Kenosha County.

PRAIRIE LANE GIVING GARDEN - \$400 - PRAIRE LANE ELEMENTARY

Prairie Lane Elementary was granted \$400 for a service learning project to plant and harvest produce to donate to the Shalom Center for their soup kitchen and patrons that frequent the center.

JASON EBERLE EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT - \$375 - BOY SCOUT TROOP 328, SALEM, WI

Jason Eberle of Boy Scout Troop 328 was granted \$375 for preserving the wetlands and waterways by constructing and installing 20 fishing line and garbage collection stations near fishing hot spots in Kenosha County.

FLOORING PROJECT - \$500 - BOYS SCOUTS OF AMERICA TROOP 525

Boys Scouts of America Troop 525 was granted \$500 to resurface the cement floor with tile flooring at the ELCA Center that is used by at least 70 people each week through various services to meet the needs of children, youth, and adults through programming.

YAR PROGRAM STATISTICS

GRANT PERIOD	# OF GRANTS	FUNDS DISTRIBUTED	YOUTH PARTICIPANTS
2017-2018	11	\$4,210	316
2005-2018	167	\$59,540	7,545

LEONARD AND PATRICIA R. JOHNSON AWARD

The Leonard R. Johnson Award was created in memory of Leonard R. Johnson who was an educator in Kenosha for over 25 years and served on the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors for 22 years.

The 2017-2018 recipient of this award is the Holy Cross Catholic Church Christian Formation for their project, "Easter Basket Project & Food Drive."

Grant recipients at Holy Cross Catholic Church Christian Formation utilized YAR funds to provide 100 Easter Baskets and food to families across Kenosha County.

Holy Cross Catholic Church Christian Formation shopped for bubbles, sidewalk chalk, bouncy balls, toothpaste, toothbrushes, sugarless gum, stickers, etc... to fill Easter baskets. The group assembled the baskets during one of their class periods to assemble baskets. In addition they also organized a food drive to provide breakfast.



YAR BOARD SERVICE PROJECTS

The first service project that the 2017-2018 YAR Board participated in was the Annual Holiday Party at the Midwest Therapeutic Riding Project. YAR Board members each hosted a craft table and helped youth, one on one, make holiday themed crafts in the riding arena.

The second service project that the YAR Board participated in was in collaboration with the ELCA Urban Outreach Center. Each YAR members during the ELCA holiday event. YAR members helped guide the families around to the activity stations. We also helped paint faces, wrapped gifts, and sang carols.

The third service project that YAR Board members participated in was the Wisconsin Marathon that took place in Kenosha. Board members showed support to the participants by setting up water stations, handing out water, and cheering on marathon runners.



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