

The grant review committee has approved the following eleven grants for Fall 2018. ACC members and contributors should be proud of the hard work that has allowed us to fund these grants this fall.

2018 Fall Grants Funded

Applicant	Amount Funded
Catholic Community Services of King County - Eastside Shelter for Families (ESF)	\$7,500
Catholic Community Services, King County - Youth Tutoring Program	\$7,500
Catholic Community Services Seattle - Pregnancy & Parenting Support (PrePS)	\$7,500
Catholic Community Services, Tacoma – Family Housing Network	\$7,500
Catholic Community Services, Tacoma – International Foster Care;	\$7,500
Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Program	
Catholic Community Services, Tacoma - Pregnancy and Parenting Support Services	\$3,500
Catholic Community Services, Western Washington - PREPARES	\$5,000
Catholic Housing Services, Western Washington, Katharine's Place	\$7,500
Family Law CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) - Seattle	\$7,500
KINDERING, Bellevue - Cherish Program;	\$5,000
Children Encouraged by Relationship in Secure Homes	
Secret Harbor, Burlington -	\$2,500
Skilled Mental Health Services for Youth Who Have Experienced Trauma	
Total Grant Funding Requested	\$68,500.00

A more complete description of the programs can be found online on the ACC website at advocacyandcaringforchildren.org, or the CCS website www.ccsww.org.

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Organization Receiving 2018 Fall Grants from ACC

Eastside Shelter for Families (ESF) (CCS King Co.) - **\$24,500** total funds granted The Eastside Shelter for Families provides shelter to families experiencing homelessness. In its third year of service, the 50 unit emergency shelter operates from October through May with two CCS staff on shift each night to ensure the safety and comfort of families. ESWF serves single and two parent households with one or more children age 17 or under.

Youth Tutoring Program (CCS King Co.) – **\$149,250** total funds granted Seattle provides after-school and evening educational enrichment for at-risk elementary, middle and high school children who live in six Seattle public/affordable housing communities. This grant will be used to support the YTP's Summer Learning Program – helping students who are behind in their academics and would benefit from continued engagement over the summer. New curriculum will be purchased. ACC's support will pay for the printing of new curriculum materials, storage supplies to keep the curriculum organized and time and labor needed to develop and implement additional math curriculum.

Pregnancy and Parenting Support (CCS King Co.) - **\$151,000** total funds granted (PPS) is an outreach program for pregnant and/or parenting women with children 0-3 years of age. PPS provides comprehensive services that assist with the many difficulties clients face during their pregnancy and while parenting an infant. ACC funds will be used to provide support to women and their families, enabling them to cope with the crisis brought about by an unplanned pregnancy. PPS will offer counseling; prenatal, parenting, and life skills education; and comprehensive case management assistance. Funding will also support the purchase of vital maternal supplies such as diapers, wipes and formula.

Family Housing Network (CCS Tacoma) (new) - \$7,500

Family Housing Network serves low-income families in Pierce County and military veteran households in King, Pierce, Thurston & Snohomish counties. We provide assistance to house families experiencing homelessness, while helping to connect them with resources that maximize stability and self-sufficiency, in order to prevent future homelessness. Specialists meet with people to help them figure out a solution to their homelessness. The conversation includes problem-solving dialogue to explore options outside of the over-burdened homeless services system, as well as an assessment of strengths, vulnerability, and housing barriers in order to be prioritized for potential referral to an appropriate housing program.

International Foster Care: Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Program (Tacoma) (new) - **\$7,500** The International Foster Care program (IFC) at Catholic Community Services Southwest provides a safe, nurturing foster care environment for children who have fled their countries of origin. Our comprehensive set of services includes education, legal, social and psychological supports all directed at achieving safety, stability and healthy development.

Pregnancy/Family Support (CCS Pierce Co.) - \$56,500 total funds granted

Pregnancy and Family support for pregnant women of Pierce County that are poor, somewhat isolated and lack access to resources. The CCS Pregnancy Support counselor offers pregnant women counseling and case management to help them cope with the crisis, identify natural supports and set achievable goals for the future. ACC funds will allow this program to continue to support pregnant and parenting families struggling to survive. Primary material needs are for shelter and housing assistance, transportation and essential baby items including cribs, car seats and diapers.

Prepares (CCSWW) - \$30,000 total funds granted

PREPARES will "walk the journey" with pregnant and parenting women, men, and families, who find themselves lacking a healthy support network. Families will be able to access mentors and holistic wrap-around services from the time of awareness of pregnancy to the child's fifth birthday. Once fully realized, the PREPARES network will provide meaningful, professional and sustainable support to vulnerable Washington mothers, fathers, and families as they nurture their children through pregnancy and early childhood.

Katharine's Place (CCS King Co.) - \$34,000 total funds granted

Provides 25 units of safe, affordable, permanent housing for low-income and homeless families, which include African immigrant and refugee families living in the Rainer Valley neighborhood of Seattle. The majority of residents are single mothers with young children. More than 60 children and youth live in these apartments, ranging in age from 0-17 years.

Family Law CASA (King County) - \$58,500 total funds granted

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteers continue to advocate for those children who have the greatest need. Half of the children served are under age five. The typical family has low to moderate income, with allegations of substance abuse, domestic violence or mental health issues. CASA volunteers are dedicated to helping ensure a safe, nurturing environment for children in high risk custody cases. They focus on the needs of the child, while striving to strengthen family relationships and parenting skills.

Kindering (CHERISH program) - \$10,000 total funds granted

Kindering serves infants and children whose development are affected by biological disabilities or environmental factors that impact an array of skill areas including: hearing, vision, cognitive, motor, communication, feeding and behavioral. Kindering is recognized worldwide for leadership in early intervention, implementing impactful services based on research. CHERISH directly serves foster families in King, Snohomish and Pierce counties. Kindering will use to use funding to support statewide expansion of their CHERISH program.

Secret Harbor - \$15,500 total funds granted

Secret Harbor provides skilled mental health services for youth who have experienced trauma. It serves its mission by providing three programs for minors faced with out-of-home placement: Foster Care Resources, Residential Treatment, and In-Home Family Connections.