



Neighbor to Neighbor

Spring 2025 Grants

- 1. Afghan Advantage:** To support Kent area Afghan immigrant/refugee women to develop their literacy leadership through professional development to lead outreach, organize locally, and support literacy and self-reliance in their communities.
- 2. African Diaspora Educational Cultural Marketplace*:** To build an African diaspora youth-ed Leaders NOW board who will drive peer-to-peer cultural wellness, advocacy, and leadership activities in South Seattle.
- 3. Alain Locke Initiative*:** To support a talent showcase and related activities in South Seattle uplifting Black and Brown male-identified Queer youth, offering mentorship while building community and celebrating their lived journeys through art and expression.
- 4. Ball 4 Life:** To support leadership of East African and immigrant youth in SeaTac/Tukwila and South King County through workshops that build skills and establish mentorships, so youth become advocates for change.
- 5. Center for Global Muslim Life:** To deepen a multi-racial Muslim community organization coalition rooted in South Seattle through outreach and strategy convenings. Planned activities include the 2nd annual Muslim Power Building Summit, educational campaigns with Imams and youth, and building rapid response teams within mosques and Islamic schools to respond to defend community and response to threats.
- 6. Concord International Elementary Native Club:** To support the Native/Indigenous student and family club at Concord International Elementary in South Park as requested by the community. The club focuses on food as medicine cooking and growing, in partnership with Native/Indigenous chefs and Marra Farms.
- 7. Djiboutian American Community of Seattle**:** To support the co-design of a culturally responsive mentorship program serving Djiboutian youth and young adults in SeaTac/Tukwila and South King County in partnership with parents, elders, educators and leaders.
- 8. Garabsii **:** To support an emerging monthly education and training program for East African families with children with disabilities in South Seattle that will empower families to access resources, build community, and advocate for systemic change.
- 9. Immigrant Guide:** To offer culturally grounded dance and movement therapy for African immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers in South Seattle and South King County to promote healing, resilience, and community connection in response to trauma and systemic exclusion.
- 10. Legacy of Equality Leadership and Organizing (LELO)*:** To support and build a multi-racial movement in South Seattle/South King County of low/moderate income families to change food systems through education, advocacy, community building activities and direct food access to CSA boxes.
- 11. Malawi Seattle Association*:** To support Malawian leaders to conduct financial workshops and advocate for inclusive banking policies in South Seattle/South King County, helping community members transition from cash economies to the U.S. credit system and build long-term wealth.



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12. Mothers Impacting Lives Everyday (MILE): To support a cohort of BIPOC girls ages 13–18 from SeaTac/Tukwila and South King County who are navigating trauma and systemic oppression. Sample youth generated topics include navigating toxic friendship, domestic/sexual violence prevention, reproductive health/bodily autonomy, social media pressures, and related advocacy issues.

13. Organización Centro-Americana: To activate South Seattle area Central American youth leaders to fortify cultural exchange and the launch of coalition meetings to boost cultural pride and form collective actions to address community priorities.

14. Peace Peloton*: To support a Rooted-Growth Accelerator project that supports early-stage Black entrepreneurs in South Seattle/beyond with training, mentorship, and funding to launch sustainable businesses and build economic power.

15. Roots of Hope Perinatal*: To host summer healing circles in White Center, Burien for Black, immigrant, and refugee women facing postpartum mental health and FGM trauma, creating safe, recurring spaces for storytelling, connection, and peer support.

16. Women United: To continue support of Black grandparent caregivers primarily in Skyway/South Seattle with community building events and resource sharing such as yoga, healthy aging, arts and creative social activities.

17. Zia Larson's Ray of Light Foundation: To support a mental health project designed for high need, BIPOC middle school age children in South Seattle/beyond through art therapy and access to resources.

*Indicates first time applicant to N2N

**Indicates first EVER grant written for organization

For more information about Neighbor to Neighbor (N2N), please contact Director of Grantmaking & Community Engagement Aileen Balahadia at a.balahadia@seattlefoundation.org. The quarterly deadlines for N2N are January 30, April 30, July 30, and October 30.