

The Bedford Community Health Foundation is a charitable foundation dedicated to improving the health of Bedford residents through grants, scholarships, and initiatives. By working closely with citizens and stakeholders, we identify Bedford's health needs, allowing us to provide grant dollars where they will make the most impact.

To date, we have provided over 6 million dollars to a wide array of healthcare programs, including access to healthy food, advocacy for children, prescription assistance to seniors, dental services, mental health services, programs for at-risk youth, and many more.

In 2018, BCHF awarded over \$29,000 to Bedford students pursuing careers in healthcare. 29 students received the scholarship funds.

Another major activity of 2018 was the Community Health Needs Assessment. BCHF partnered with Centra, Community Access Network, United Way of Central

Virginia, Central Virginia Health District, and Greater Lynchburg Community Trust on the Bedford area Community Health Needs Assessment. This assessment of the current and emerging health needs of Bedford provides the community with the data and information necessary to address a set of prioritized needs.

The priority areas as identified by the community are Poor Eating Habits, Access to Mental Health Services, Access to Affordable Housing, Substance Abuse, and Transportation. Now in 2019, BCHF is working with numerous organizations on strategic plans to directly address these and other community health needs.

The Bedford Community Health Foundation also works in the community to address the health needs of those living in poverty. Our Bridges Initiative provided funding to multiple organizations to provide dental and mental health services, education about resources available and creating a connection to community for many Bedford residents experiencing poverty.

## 2018 GRANT RECIPIENTS

BED CO. SCHOOL OF NURSING	\$1,638	BEDFORD CENTRAL LIBRARY	\$7,000
SCHOLARSHIPS	\$29,302	BEDFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS	\$2,198
BEDFORD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	\$7,392	BED CO. SCHOOL GIFT GRANT	\$684
ARC OF CENTRAL VA	\$7,500	SML GOOD NEIGHBORS	\$8,790
FRIENDS OF BEDFORD HOSPICE HOUSE	\$5,800	CASA OF CENTRAL VA	\$1,500
BEDFORD YMCA	\$5,000	BROOKHILL FARM	\$5,000
FEED THE NEED	\$2,000	CHILDREN'S TRUST	\$5,000
FOOD FOR KIDS	\$8,562	BEDFORD CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$4,100
THE DOORWAYS	\$5,000	BEDFORD CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES	\$4,000
GIRLS ON THE RUN	\$5,000	FREE CLINIC OF CENTRAL VA	\$5,000
LYNCHBURG DAILY BREAD	\$9,000	LAKE CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES	\$16,000
SEDALIA CENTER	\$4,100	AGAPE	\$3,500
BEDCO CARES	\$3,598	LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICES	\$6,000
BCHF BRIDGES INITIATIVE	\$29,662	ENGLISH MEADOWS	\$1,600
VA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	\$850	OAKWOOD HEALTH & REHAB	\$600
CVACL - BEDFORD RIDE	\$15,000	<b>2018 TOTAL</b>	<b>\$210,376</b>

# SUMMARY OF GRANTS TO DATE

Health Education - School Children & Adults	\$404,387
Mental Health / Abuse Prevention	\$283,136
Rescue Squad / Emergency Care	\$678,580
Fitness & Physical Therapy	\$249,735
Free Clinics & Prescriptive Assistance	\$400,198
Preventive Medicine in Schools	\$206,358
Charity Care	\$434,144
Dental Care	\$150,000
Hospital & Nursing Home Equip. & Facilities	\$235,783
Nursing & Allied Health Education	\$1,175,042
Mammography Screenings & Equipment	\$222,802
Adult Day Care	\$331,238
Physicians and Specialists Recruitment	\$149,446
Bedford School Nurse Initiative	\$156,478
Hospice	\$220,154
Misc. Health Care Programs	\$234,816
Non-Emergency Medical Transportation	\$556,707

**TOTAL GRANTS TO DATE: \$6,026,262**

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