



RUSSELL & JOSEPHINE KOTT
MEMORIAL CHARITABLE TRUST

2021 GRANTEES

The Trust focuses on opportunities to provide grants that enhance services for seniors through educational internships, quality programs and capacity building for agencies serving seniors.

Grant Recipient	Project / Program Description
AgeOptions	Support for the Advisery project which empowers older adults and adults with disabilities to obtain accessible, affordable health care through training and technical assistance for professionals who work with the target population and address systemic barriers at state and federal levels.
Aging Care Connections	Support for the Aging Well Neighborhood which brings together a network of over 120 partners including older adults, businesses, healthcare, local government, community groups, and social services to create a "Health Neighborhood" that promotes life-long wellness and aging at home.
Beyond Hunger	Support for emergency food programs and home delivery to help meet the nutrition needs of older adults.
Casa Central Social Services Corporation	Support for the Adult Wellness Center which provides participants with enriching activities that stimulate and strengthen their cognitive, emotional, and physical functioning.
Center for Disability and Elder Law	General operating support for direct legal services and programs targeted at low income seniors, including eviction defense, real estate property disputes, estate planning, powers of attorney, guardianship, collections defense and consumer fraud.
Center of Concern	Support for the provision of counseling, companionship and other resources to help older adults live safely and independently at home and remain connected to the community.
Chicago Commons Association	Support for the Adult Day Services program in Bronzeville which helps low-income seniors and adults with disabilities maintain their independence and quality of life through health; wellness; cultural activities; family support and professional development for staff.
Concordia University, Chicago	Support for Gerontology which impacts older adults through education for future policy makers and leaders, applied research in Gerontology and direct community service.
Concordia University, Inc.	Request for \$240,000 to be paid over three years toward renovating existing space on campus to build a clinic on campus - Concordia Cares Outreach and Wellness Center - to better meet the needs of clients, including older adults, who are uninsured or underinsured.
Dental Lifeline Network Illinois	Pro Bono dental services for seniors with seriously neglected dental conditions.
Des Plaines Community Senior Center	Support for providing a means for older adults to stave off isolation and depression by staying engaged socially; maintaining strength and physical ability through exercise; and preserving their cognitive functioning through participation in stimulating programs.
Embrace Living Communities and Affiliates	Implementation of onsite music, art, and dance/movement therapy programs that contribute to greater physical, mental and emotional well-being.
Franciscan Tertiary of the Sacred Heart, Inc.	Increase access to dental, vision and hearing services for low income residents.
Housing Opportunities and Maintenance for the Elderly	Support for electrical, plumbing and carpentry repairs for seniors with low income in Chicago.
Howard Brown Health	Support for Aging Services Case Management which links LGBTQ aging adults to medical and behavioral healthcare; and provides comprehensive social services, including case management, benefits navigation, legal aid, emergency financial assistance and linkage to housing.
Illinois Saint Andrew Society	Support for the development and implementation of a pilot memory care curriculum for core staff.
Kenneth Young Center	Support for the sociological engagement and wellbeing of seniors as they age in their homes or in the least restrictive level of care.
Kott Gerontology Institute	Support for the 2021-22 academic year for the Kott Gerontology Scholars program as operated by the Kott Gerontology Institute.
L'Arche Chicago	Support for the provision of regular in-house response to the evolving physical and emotional needs of clients and their overall health and wellbeing, through the services of the Director of Nurse Training Program
Little City Foundation	General operating funds to support provision of homes that allow seniors with intellectual and developmental disabilities age in place, including services that support physical activity and memory support.
Little Sisters of the Poor Palatine, Inc St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly	General operating funds to support a continuum of care from independent apartments through total nursing care for seniors.

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Lutheran Child & Family Services	Support for senior foster parent caregivers, including grandparents and other older relatives, through the Older Caregivers Support Program .
Lutheran Social Services of Illinois	Support for providing home care services that help older adults maintain their lives in their homes while promoting independence and well-being.
Meals at Home/Meals on Wheels Northeastern Illinois	Nutrition support for the elderly, integrated with the provision of social services such as help with daily activities; rent payment and access to telehealth.
Meals on Wheels Foundation of Northern Illinois & Community Nutrition Network Se	Support for home-delivered meals and community cafes for seniors in northern Illinois.
North Shore Senior Center	Support for general operations that provide a full spectrum of quality services for older adults and their caregivers, including in-home and community-based services.
Northern Illinois Food Bank	Support for the Senior Nutrition Program that brings nutritious food to food insecure seniors where they live.
Oak-Leyden Developmental Services, Inc.	Support for improvements to the Community Integrated Living Arrangement homes for adults with developmental disabilities.
Open Arms Free Clinic, Inc.	General operating funds to support oral health care for the elderly and disabled.
Palatine Township Senior Citizens Council	Support for the expansion of outdoor opportunities for clients that provide a safe space to connect with staff and the community at large.
People Care, Inc.	Support for general operations with an emphasis on transportation, telemedicine and programs that ensure that seniors are able to remain independent.
People's Resource Center	Support for increased access to grocery and emergency assistance; social services and empowerment programs.
Quinn Center of Saint Eulalia	General operating support, including virtual programming; respite care; and regular in-person meals for older adults.
Senior Home Sharing	Support for seniors that assists them to live independently in an affordable, family style home.
United Cerebral Palsy Seguin of Greater Chicago	Support for older adults with IDD, memory and/or behavioral disorders and other special needs, so that they can age with dignity, independence and joy.
Walworth County Food Pantry Inc.	Support for the provision of food and personal hygiene products to seniors.
Wesley Willows A Methodist Retirement Home	Support for the purchase of the VSTALert system which prevents falls through predictive monitoring and accurate alerting of falls for high risk senior residents.
West Cook YMCA, Inc.	Support for the Healthy Aging program that champions health equity, fosters social connections and helps older adults become their best self.
Window to the World Communications Inc	Support for the expansion of the WTTW Kids Grandparent Connection Card-a-Day Campaign.

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