



PPL FOUNDATION

2023 Community Report





Our Mission

The PPL Foundation empowers communities by supporting student success from cradle to career; advancing diversity, equity and inclusion; and promoting the development of vibrant and sustainable communities.

Our Focus Areas

As a key partner in communities we serve, the PPL Foundation contributes millions of dollars annually to support the important work of nonprofit organizations and positively impact lives. Our areas of focus include:

Education

Building a strong foundation is critical to the success of today's students. Contributions in this area will support equitable and engaging high-quality educational opportunities for all students, with a particular emphasis on those in need.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

We support communities where all are respected, valued and free to reach their full potential in life. Toward that end, the foundation seeks to fund programs expanding opportunities for underserved communities and advancing equity and inclusion.

Sustainable Communities

Sustainable communities are safe, strong, growing and well-positioned to meet residents' current and future needs. Contributions in this area support public safety, emergency and disaster preparedness, environmental conservation initiatives and both social and economic growth.

\$5 million+
in total giving

15,679
volunteer hours

400+
organizations received support



25
students received scholarships

8
teachers received grants

3,150
students received books





Powering Equity Awardees

- Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Northeastern PA
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region
- Children's Museum
- Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center
- Community Action Committee of The Lehigh Valley
- Employment Opportunity & Training Center of Northeastern Pennsylvania
- Fulton Theatre Company
- Geisinger Health
- Greater Valley Young Men's Christian Association
- Greater Wilkes-Barre Association for the Blind
- Hand in Hand Family Resource Center
- Leadership Northeast
- Leadership Susquehanna Valley
- Lehigh Carbon Community College Foundation
- Lehigh Valley Inter-Regional Networking & Connecting Consortium
- LGBT Center of Greater Reading
- Light House Rehabilitation Center
- Marywood University
- NEPA Rainbow Alliance
- The Cooperage Project
- Touchstone Theatre
- United Way of Lancaster County
- Volunteer Center of the Lehigh Valley
- Weis Center for the Performing Arts



PPL Foundation awards
\$185,000
 in Powering Equity grants.

24 nonprofit organizations in eastern and central Pennsylvania awarded grants for programs focused on equity and inclusion.

“As an organization, we don't see as many opportunities for funding equity-based programming. The PPL Foundation supports us in a lot of different ways, and it has made a tremendous impact on our programs and on the people in our community.”

Arrah Fisher, Executive Director, The Cooperage Project





“ Agriculture impacts everyone, every day. The goal of our programs is to provide students and teachers the opportunity to learn more about the often underappreciated hard work of our farmers and the crucial role that agriculture plays in our society. We are so grateful for the opportunity to partner with PPL because it keeps our programs affordable and accessible to schools and teachers. ”

Charlene Espenshade, Executive Director,
 Pennsylvania Friends of Agriculture Foundation

Empowering Communities Awardees

- American Red Cross of Greater Pennsylvania
- Brodhead Watershed Association
- Bucks County Housing Group
- CAT-Coalition for Appropriate Transportation
- Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO)
- Central PA Conservancy
- Clinton County Economic Partnership Foundation
- Diakon Child, Family & Community Ministries
- DIG Furniture Bank
- Focus Central Pennsylvania
- Getting Ahead Foundation
- Great Valley Native Plant Society
- Greater Hazleton Area Civic Partnership
- Greater Philadelphia YMCA
- Greater Wilkes-Barre Growth Partnership
- Lacawac Sanctuary Foundation Inc.
- Lancaster Conservancy
- LEAF Project Inc
- Lehigh Carbon Community College Foundation
- Manada Conservancy
- Monroe County Habitat for Humanity
- Natural Lands Trust, Inc.
- New Hope Ministries, Inc.
- North Branch Land Trust
- Penn's Northeast
- Pennsylvania Friends of Agriculture Foundation
- Perry County Council of the Arts
- Pocono Mountains United Way
- Pocono Northeast Development Fund
- River Valley Regional YMCA
- Riverfront Parks Committee
- SACA Development Corporation
- Schuylkill Chamber Foundation, Inc.
- Scranton Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.
- Sharing Excess
- Susquehanna Health Foundation
- The Common Wheel
- The Edible Classroom
- The Foundation for Enhancing Communities
- The Institute
- The Lancaster Science Center
- The Susquehanna Greenway Partnership
- United Neighborhood Center of Northeastern Pennsylvania
- Upper Delaware Preservation Coalition
- Via of the Lehigh Valley, Inc
- Wayne County Community Foundation
- Wildheart
- Wildlife Leadership Academy
- YWCA Lancaster, Inc.



Energizing Education Awardees

- ASSETS Lancaster
- Bethlehem Area Education Foundation
- Bloomsburg Area YMCA
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeastern Pennsylvania
- Carlisle Family YMCA
- Casa Guadalupe Center
- Children’s Museum, Inc.
- Communities In Schools of Pennsylvania
- Cumberland County Library System Foundation
- Danville Area Community Center
- Dimmick Memorial Library
- Evolve Youth Trades Academy
- For the Cause, Inc.
- Foundation for Free Enterprise Education
- Friends of the Poor
- Geisinger Health
- Greater Valley Young Men’s Christian Association
- Greater Wyoming Valley Area YMCA
- Junior Achievement of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Inc.
- Keystone Service Systems DBA
Keystone Human Services
- Lacawac Sanctuary Foundation Inc.
- Lewisburg Children’s Museum
- Lykens Valley Children’s Museum
- Manheim Township Educational Foundation
- Manufacturers Resource Center
- North Pocono Public Library
- Northampton County Area
Community College Foundation
- Osterhout Free Library
- Schuylkill Chamber Foundation, Inc.
- Summer Program for Youth
- The Cooperage Project
- The Joshua Group
- The Lancaster Science Center
- The Literacy Center
- The Open Link
- Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts
- Young Men’s Christian Association of Greater Scranton
- Young Women’s Christian Association of Bethlehem



Casa Guadalupe’s after-school and summer programs align with PPL’s priority to invest in projects that improve and enhance educational opportunities for students. Our program integrates personal development threads into a cohesive whole – learning, resilience, and self-determination – while assisting and supporting students from underserved communities as they navigate their own pathways to college and other post-high school success in academics, career and life.

Lucy DeLabar, Executive Director, Casa Guadalupe

Support for Rhode Island community initiatives

The **2023 PPL Foundation Empowering Communities Grant** recipients in Rhode Island are:

- American Red Cross Rhode Island Chapter
- Audubon Society of Rhode Island
- Books are Wings
- Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence
- Boys Club & Girls Club of Newport County
- Build Futures
- City Year, Inc.
- Comprehensive Community Action Inc.
- Connecting for Children & Families
- DaVinci Center for Community Progress
- DownCity Design
- Eastern Rhode Island Conservation District
- FirstWorks
- Girls on the Run
- Habitat for Humanity for Rhode Island South County, Inc
- Higher Ground International
- IN-SIGHT
- Jonnycake Center of Westerly
- Junior Achievement of Rhode Island, Inc.
- Justice Assistance
- Leadership Rhode Island
- Little Compton Food Bank
- McAuley Corporation
- Newport Tree Conservancy
- Northern RI Food Pantry
- Onward We Learn
- Project Green Schools
- Providence After School Alliance
- Providence Resilience Partnership
- Rhode Island Community Food Bank Association
- RI Women in the Trades
- Save the Bay, Inc.
- South County Habitat for Humanity
- Special Olympics Rhode Island, Inc.
- Trinity Repertory Company
- University of RI Foundation
- Woonasquatucket Rivershed Water Council

“ We believe that the more you learn about Narragansett Bay, the more you will care about Narragansett Bay. This is why funding and support from the PPL Foundation for our Explore The Bay Education Programs and the Save The Bay Hamilton Family Aquarium is critical to our educational goals. The more students and individuals we can engage in meaningful bay and watershed experiences and programs, the more we can inspire the next generation of bay stewards. ”

Topher Hamblett, Executive Director, Save The Bay





“ Empowering the communities we serve has been a hallmark of PPL for more than a century. Our passion to positively impact people’s lives runs deep at PPL, and I am incredibly proud of our employees’ and retirees’ collective generosity. We know local United Way agencies will put these funds to great use in strengthening education, health and safety, food access and other important programs. ”

Vincent Sorgi, President and Chief Executive Officer of PPL Corporation

PPL Foundation matches PPL employees’ community support

PPL’s employees and retirees, combined with matching contributions from its affiliated foundations, contributed more than \$8 million during PPL’s annual employee-led charitable giving campaign that took place this fall.

The amount raised in 2023 was generated through United Way campaigns in Pennsylvania and Rhode Island and the Power of One campaign in Kentucky, breaking the previous year’s record.

The campaigns support organizations in areas where employees live and work and communities served by

PPL and its subsidiaries. The funds will support ongoing efforts to address the increasing needs of thousands of people who rely on United Way agencies and nonprofit organizations for countless vital services every day.

Additionally, more than 400 employees volunteered their time during the company-wide Day of Caring events, directly impacting organizations in communities served by PPL Electric Utilities, Rhode Island Energy, Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company.

Support for Education

Cover to Cover

More than 8,600 students in grades K-3 experienced the joy of summer reading through PPL Foundation's Cover to Cover reading program. Nearly 9,000 new books were donated to 20 summer reading programs throughout PPL Electric's 29-county service area.

Empowering Educators

The PPL Foundation's Empowering Educators program is designed to help K-12 teachers provide hands-on learning opportunities to enhance the classroom experience and spark students' interest in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Brighter Future Scholarships

To support future leaders in the clean energy transition, PPL Foundation has partnered with a network of schools to provide scholarships to students who are passionate about clean energy, sustainability, decarbonization and grid reliability.

Beginning in 2024, the Brighter Futures scholarship program will provide \$150,000 annually to support students pursuing degrees or technical certification in fields that impact the clean energy transition. Scholarship winners will be selected by a network of partner schools.



“ Thousands of children on the receiving end of our efforts have known the joy of owning a new book, and it is PPL's vision for the future and generosity that have made this a reality. On behalf of those thousands of children who have experienced the joy of receiving a new book to call their own, we want to thank PPL for helping us make a difference in such a meaningful way. ”

Beverly Bradley, President,
Cops 'N' Kids of the Lehigh Valley, Inc.

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Pennsylvania Grant Opportunities

The PPL Foundation's grant programs provide grants to support education, workforce development and community revitalization initiatives.

Powering Equity Grants

Advancing diversity, equity and inclusion through programs focused on:

- Fully engaging all in the growth and success of our communities, with an emphasis on underrepresented residents
- Programs focused on protecting underrepresented residents (ethnicity, race, gender, sexual orientation, disability and veterans)

Timeline:

- **Jan. 1-Feb. 15** – Grant applications accepted online
- **March** – Applications reviewed and approved
- **May** – Winners notified and grants dispersed

Empowering Communities Grants

Enriching the overall vitality of the community through programs that protect the environment and improve people's lives, these grants support programs focused on:

- Environmental education and stewardship
- Economic development
- Workforce development

Timeline:

- **May 1-June 15** – Grant applications accepted online
- **June** – Applications reviewed and approved
- **August** – Winners notified and grants dispersed

Energizing Education Grants

Supporting equitable and engaging high-quality educational opportunities for all students, these grants fund programs focused on:

- STEM (with a focus on programs that inspire students to pursue careers in the energy industry)
- Literacy and summer learning
- College and career readiness

Timeline:

- **Aug. 1-Sept. 15** – Grant applications accepted online
- **November** – Applications reviewed and approved
- **December** – Winners notified and grants dispersed

Rhode Island Grant Opportunities

Now in its second full year in Rhode Island, the Empowering Communities grants program funded by the PPL Foundation provides help to nonprofit organizations across communities served by Rhode Island Energy.

Grants are awarded to nonprofits focused on education; diversity, equity and inclusion; and sustainable communities.

A typical grant timeline

Spring:

- **Jan. 1-Feb. 15** – Grant applications accepted
- **March-April** – Grants reviewed
- **May** – Grants dispersed

Fall:

- **Aug. 1-Sept. 15** – Grant applications accepted
- **October** – Grants reviewed
- **December** – Grants dispersed

