



ACDS Administered FY 2025 LDC Grants

Note: Fund balance figures are accurate as of September 1, 2025

Organization	Project	Final Award	Adjustments	Funds Remaining	Accomplishments
Human Services for Success					
Anne Arundel Community Action Agency, Inc.	Community Action Agency	\$ 30,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support Community Action Agency's housing counselor serving residents in West Anne Arundel County. This position oversaw the eviction prevention, rental assistance and rapid rehousing activities. During FY25 154 individuals were assisted.
Anne Arundel County Food Bank	LDC Area Pantry Support	\$ 523,909.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support Member Agency Pantry Partners in the LDC target area. By doing so, their partners were able to host 94 distribution events through Pantry Partners, as well as 11 Mobile Pantry distribution events. In addition to this baby pantries provided much needed baby essentials to hundreds of area residents. The Backpack Buddies Program served 467 students total providing those students with 6,640 meals throughout the schools year.
Associated Catholic Charities	Sarah's House Emergency Shelter	\$ 80,000.00		\$ -	Funds were utilized to support case manager and program assistant roles at Sarah's House. Sarah's House continued to offer support to vulnerable populations aiding with housing and working toward stable housing and served 302 unique clients during the grant period. Sarah's House staff were able to connect a total of 84 heads of households (56 percent) to behavioral health services providers. Sarah's House staff were able to connect 73 percent of those they served to permanent housing opportunities.
BWI Community Development Foundation, Inc.	County Connector Shuttle	\$ 905,248.00		\$ 42,815.81	During FY 2025, BWI's County Connector shuttle provided rides to 98,236 passengers, an increase of 1,499 passengers over last year, allowing local workforce members to get to employment, as well as local residents to access shopping and other services. In addition, two customer appreciation giveaways were held in the Fall and Spring. The unused funds will be unencumbered to be used for future LDC projects and programs.
Christian Assistance Program	Weis Voucher Program	\$ 40,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to continue CAP's Weis Market voucher program, which provided store vouchers to residents of the LDC target area to purchase fresh milk, other dairy, and produce items once per month to supplement the non-perishable food items provided at the CAP pantry distributions. During FY 2025, CAP served 1,900 unique household members.
GiGi's Playhouse Annapolis	Career Development Program	\$ 9,700.00		\$ -	Funds were utilized to support the Career Development Program and to benefit individuals with Down Syndrome, as well as their families and caregivers through career development and life skills programming. In FY25 118 persons with a disability were served with this programming and 38 caregivers were assisted.

Happy Helpers for the Homeless	Program Support	\$ 15,000.00		\$ -	Funds were utilized to provide residents in the 3-mile radius with Happy Helpers for the Homeless weekly food delivery program. In FY25, 24 families, which is about 140 individuals, received fresh produce and dairy weekly, as well as laundry detergent monthly.
HOPE For All, Inc.	Turning Houses into Homes	\$ 61,600.00		\$ -	Funds supported HOPE for All's Turning Houses into Homes Program, which provided essential furniture and household goods to 44 households for a total of 160 individuals within the 3-mile radius of Live! Casino.
Housing Commission of Anne Arundel County	Tunnel Vision	\$ 30,000.00		\$ -	Funds supported HCAAC's partnership with the Tunnel Vision "Chase Your Dreams Initiative," which supported Meade Village public housing residents through sporting events, travel outings, community events, and listening sessions to promote a sense of community and connect residents in need with necessary resources. In FY 2025, this program served over 1,127 individuals. Youth participated in two out of town field trips to New York and Baltimore. In addition, 639 youth participated in the free sports league, and a number of community events were held including a backpack give away, Friendsgiving, and holiday toy drive.
Kingdom Kare	Family Support Center	\$ 95,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support Kingdom Kare's Family Support Center, which served 13 teen mothers and their children in the LDC area by providing free daycare while the teen moms worked on completing their schoolwork to earn their high school diplomas through Anne Arundel County Public Schools. Ongoing case management was provided to support the well being of both mother and child.
Kingdom Kare	ManUp Anne Arundel VIPP Program	\$ 90,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support the work of the ManUp Anne Arundel Violence Interruption and Prevention Program, which aims to reduce gun violence in Severn, Spring Meadows, Stillmeadows, Meade Village and Pioneer City using methods such as conflict resolution, mediation, community outreach, youth engagement, targeted intervention, and more. Educational workshops were held and gun violence prevention material were distributed each quarter. In addition, violence interrupters worked within the community to help prevent violence, and victims of violence received support as well. During FY25 1,676 residents participated in programming or received materials.
Love Wins Movement	Love Wins Pantry	\$ 39,710.00		\$ -	Funds were used to purchase a forklift, pallet shelving, and forklift related equipment to support the food pantry. The purchase of the forklift has allowed Love Wins Pantry staff and volunteers to work at 50% increased efficiency over the prior year, in turn allowing for more clients to be served. Serving a total of 10,355 households.

My Life Foundation	Senior Wellbeing Program	\$ 34,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support My Life Foundation's Senior Wellbeing Program which targeted the Asian American senior population residing in the LDC target area in an effort to educate them on mental health services, mental health, and first aid. This was done through one-on-one counseling to reduce symptoms of depression and quality of life, as well as yoga and activities for fall prevention. A total of 131 individuals were served in FY 2025.
Partners in Care Maryland	Senior Services	\$ 40,000.00		\$ -	Funds supported Partners in Care's programs for seniors residing in the LDC's target area. Partners in Care provided services to 87 seniors in the LDC area in FY 2025. Services included transportation, services, and social events to combat social isolation, which is prevalent to older adults. The continued funding for services in the 3-mile radius allowed Partners in Care to maintain and serve their current members and market to area seniors with a mass mailing campaign.
Shelley's House, Inc.	Building The Foundation For Success (Mind, Body, and Soul Holistic Healing Workshop Series)	\$ 20,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to provide the Holistic Healing Workshop Series to Severn area youth at the Severn Center. Workshops were held weekly, focusing on mental, physical and emotional well-being. In addition, youth went on field trips and outings, and in response to parent request one-on-one counseling was added.
Enhancing Educational Outcomes					
Annapolis Area Imagination Library	Expanding the Imagination Library to the LDC Area	\$ 10,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to exand the Annapolis Area Imagination Library into the 3-mile radius of the VLT target area. By the end of FY25 581 area children ages 5 and under were receiving books monthly.
Annapolis Maritime Museum	Oyster Education Program and Box of Rain	\$ 50,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support Annapolis Maritime Museum's Oyster Education Program and Box of Rain Summer Program, which served over 611 students and seven teachers from Meade and MacArthur Middle Schools throughout the 2024-2025 school year and into the summer. Hands on learning experiences included oyster dissections, model building, and climate change experiments.
Assistance League of the Chesapeake, Inc.	Operation School Bell - Kids in Need	\$ 35,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support The Assistance League of the Chesapeake's Operation School Bell Kids in Need program, which served 1,205 school-aged children at Meade Heights, Van Bokkelen, and MacArthur Schools with new uniforms and books for students attending Meade Heights and Van Bokkelen Elementary Schools.

Boys and Girls Club	Severn Center Club	\$ 150,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support the Boys & Girls Severn Center Club, which provided afterschool services to 93 students daily and has 333 registered members from surrounding communities, to engage them in safe and educational activities. Supports include homework help, tutoring, healthy habits, and teaching money management and STEM material. Additionally, in partnership with Anne Arundel County Food Bank a monthly food pantry was added to services provided at the Severn Center Club.
Coalition for Public Safety Training in Schools, Inc.	Public Safety Training in Schools	\$ 30,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support their Drivers Education Scholarship Program for low-income youth (aged at least 15 years and 9 months) residing within the LDC target area to ensure students are given the opportunity to learn how to drive without causing a financial burden. During FY 2025, CPSTS awarded scholarships to 66 students with 57 completing the course. Unfortunately, CPSTS was unable to implement the proposed technical training program after doing the initial work to implement the program the expense to facilitate this program exceeded the funds available. The sope was approved to focus of Driver's Education and the foundation of educating students and families on the possibilities of technical career training.
Fort Meade Alliance, Inc.	Fort Meade Cluster Events	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 2,260.34	Funds were used to support two events for Meade Cluster students. The Spring Festival and Promotion Ceremony were well attended and helped elevate the reputation of Fort Meade feeder schools and foster greater community pride. The Spring Festival hosted 750 attendees. The remaining funds will be used for a late summer event at Meade High School.
Fort Meade Alliance, Inc.	Teacher Externships	\$ 16,740.00		\$ 16,740.00	Funds will be used to support externships for two Anne Arundel County Public School teachers who will work six to eight weeks in the summer, full-time at FMA-member companies. During these externships, teachers will work on project teams doing hands-on work that can then be transferred into the classroom setting. This program is currently underway. The grant has been extended to accomodate the program beginning in the summer. At this time, the grantee plans to invoice for funds prior to September 30, 2025.
Kingdom Kare	Mentoring Program	\$ 45,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support Kingdom Kare's mentoring program, which had an average weekly attendance of 12 - 15 school-aged children attending Meade Schools. This program gives students a safe environment to do homework and learn skills such as conflict resolution, financial literacy, and personal accountability. In addition, the program includes one-on-one home check ins and when possible aid with school transportation to increase participant school attendance.
Meade Senior High School Parent Teacher Association	Beautifying and Revitalizing Communities	\$ 39,850.00		\$ -	Funds were used to purchase tables, chairs, grabage cans, and directional signage for the new Meade Senior High School to enhance outdoor spaces, as well as promote safety with signage.

Start The Adventure In Reading (STAIR) - Annapolis	Severn Elementary 2nd Grade Literacy Tutoring	\$ 25,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to support 17 Van Bokkelen & Severn Elementary School second graders reading below grade level in the LDC target area improve their literacy, increase their sense of self-esteem and self-confidence, and provide them with a caring environment where reading is fun. All students ended the program with at least 25 books in their personal libraries, and 75 percent of participants were reading at or above grade level by the end of the year.
The Complete Player Charity	Meade Middle After-school Program	\$ 25,000.00		\$ 179.52	Funds were used to support an after-school program to serve Meade Middle School students. Partnering with Sisters in Sync the program served 15 girls attending Meade Middle School. Students participated in weekly emotional intelligence, college admissions, and workforce awareness activities, as well as planning a Tea Party event for family and friends serving 23 at the event. The Tea Party was not the original volunteer focus of the program, but it was decided to give program participants agency over their work and event planning experience by shifting the program to host a Tea Party. The unused funds will be unencumbered to be utilized for future LDC projects and programs.
Beautifying & Revitalizing Communities					
BWI Community Development Foundation, Inc.	Roadside Beautification	\$ 508,935.00		\$ 8,285.56	Funds were used to provide beautification services in the area surrounding Live! Casino, including litter pick up, large debris removal, flower bed maintenance and planting, tree trimming, bush pruning, weed control and grass cutting. Approximately 63.1 tons of litter, trash, and debris were collected from the designated areas during FY25. The unused funds will be unencumbered to be utilized for future LDC projects and programs.
Severn Reserve Homeowners Association	Community Beautification/Gathering Space	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 3,245.00	Funds were used to build a community patio area with a firepit where members of the HOA can gather and spend time with one another in their own community. This was a partial award, and the community may request additional funds to add a roof or portico design to the patio, and other amenities. The scope of work was reduced with the reduction of funds, and the addition of a portico and seating exceeds the amount of remaining funds. The unused funds will be unencumbered to be utilized for future LDC projects and programs.
Severn Woods Homeowners Association, Inc.		\$ 40,000.00		\$ -	Funds were used to replace a 30 year old wooden fence with a new vinyl fence around the community for safety, privacy, and a more pleasing visual aesthetic. Approximately 750 linear feet of fencing was replaced. There are no remaining funds.
Public Library Association of Annapolis & Anne Arundel County, Inc. - Severn Library	Exterior and workroom enhancements	\$ 120,523.00		\$ 3,697.59	Funds were used to renovate the Severn Library staff workroom, including new flooring, drywall repairs and painting, new electrical and data connections and new and additional workstations to increase functionality of the space. ACDS is still processing final invoices for this project and at this time and anticipates the remaining funds to be utilized.

The Enclave at Arundel Preserve Homeowners Association, Inc	Capital Projects	\$20,000.00		\$-	Refresh the Flower beds along Milestone Parkway, with new plantings and mulch. There are no remaining funds.
Total Awards:	31				
\$ Total Awarded:	\$3,170,215				
Youth Impacted:	5,014				
Elderly Impacted:	373				
Disability Impacted:	287				
Households Assisted:	23,386				
% Low/Mod Income (when reported)	88%				
% Minority (non-white/hispanic, of those that reported)	77%				