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The Falmouth Fund of The Cape Cod Foundation Awards \$100,000 in Grants

SOUTH YARMOUTH – The Falmouth Fund of The Cape Cod Foundation awarded \$100,000 in grants to 31 nonprofit organizations at a reception hosted at the Falmouth Museums on the Green on March 11.

“Thanks to the generosity of our donors, since 2010, we have invested nearly \$700,000 back into the Falmouth community,” said Sharon Nunes, Advisory Committee Chair. “We are extremely grateful for their continued support.”

Nunes said The Falmouth Fund was established to support the work of area nonprofits that are doing remarkable work in all areas of the Falmouth community: education, health and human services, arts and culture, and the environment. Now as the Fund enters its second decade, the Advisory Committee is especially focused on continuing to build its endowment.

“The projects and programs we help fund impact thousands of people and are vital to our community,” Nunes said, “While we are proud of our accomplishments, we must also plan for the future. There will be always be challenges and opportunities ahead.”

“The Falmouth Fund started as a grass roots movement by residents who wanted to make a difference in their community,” said Kristin O’Malley, President and CEO of The Cape Cod Foundation. “Their work is inspiring and impactful.”

The awards were presented in two categories: Strategic Focus Grant Recipients and General Grant Recipients.

STRATEGIC FOCUS GRANT RECIPIENTS

Three nonprofit organizations serving the Falmouth community received Strategic Focus Grant to address strategic initiatives or to build long-range organizational capacity.

Calmer Choice, \$10,000

To support creating sustainable Calmer Choice programming in the Falmouth Public Elementary Schools

Community Health Center of Cape Cod, \$8,000

To support its Access to Care Program at Falmouth Housing Authority

The 300 Committee Land Trust, \$9,750

To expand stewardship support for Falmouth's Conservation Lands

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GENERAL GRANT RECIPIENTS

Twenty-eight nonprofit organizations serving the Falmouth community received General Grants to address emerging opportunities, launch creative initiatives, or to cover the cost of small, one-time projects.

Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Center, Inc., \$2,500

To support the 2020 John Levin Memorial Alzheimer's Conference with Teepa Snow

Amazing Grace of Cape Cod, \$4,518

To provide Circle of Care for three Falmouth children and their family members

Belonging to Each Other, Inc., \$4,250

To support cold weather housing for the homeless in 2020-2021

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cape Cod & The Islands, \$5,000

To support one-to-one mentoring for at-risk Falmouth youth

Buzzards Bay Coalition, \$1,000

To support the "Discover Buzzards Bay: Falmouth Bay Adventures" program

Cape Arts & Entertainment, \$1,000

To support Summer Sounds Chamber Music Camp

Cape Cod Pride, Inc., \$2,000

To support the Cape Cod Pride Festival 2020

College Light Opera Company, \$1,500

To support "College Light Opera Company Presents: Summer Concert Series" at West Falmouth Library

Falmouth Art Center, \$2,500

To support programming for community activities

Falmouth Band Parents, Inc., \$2,975

To purchase violins for the Lawrence School String Program

Falmouth Chamber Players Orchestra, \$2,000

To support the Spring 2020 Concert, Beethoven Piano Concerto

Falmouth Chorale, \$2,000

To support the program "El Llanto de la Guitarra: Works for Voices and Guitar"

Falmouth Historical Society, \$3,000

To purchase audio guides to enhance the walking tour experience for visitors

Falmouth Housing Trust, \$5,000

To support the Lewis Neck Road affordable workforce housing project

Falmouth Public Schools, \$2,500

To support the Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy

Falmouth Theatre Guild, \$1,062

To support the purchase of low-energy-use lighting fixtures

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Falmouth Volunteers in Public Schools, \$3,460

To support the Falmouth Pathways Program: "Engaging Students through Enrichment Opportunities"

Falmouth Water Stewards, \$5,000

To support cyanobacteria monitoring in Falmouth ponds

First Congregational Church of Falmouth, \$1,000

To support the steeple lighting project

Highfield Hall & Gardens, \$3,000

To support organizational development and strategic planning

Marine Biological Laboratory, \$2,000

To support the "Falmouth Forum" lecture series

Mass Audubon-Long Pasture Wildlife Sanctuary, \$2,000

To support the "Falmouth Schools Ecosystem Exploration Program"

Salt Pond Areas Bird Sanctuaries, Inc., \$500

To support Outdoor Discoveries and Falmouth STEAM programs

Sea Education Association, \$2,500

To support the "Plastics Pollution Reduction by Student Research, Outreach, and Communication: Trash Shouldn't Splash" program

WE CAN Corporation, \$2,500

To support Upper Cape expansion initiatives

Wellstrong, Inc., \$3,500

To support the collaboration between Calmer Choice and Wellstrong to bring mindfulness and resilience training to people in recovery

Woods Hole Film Festival, \$1,500

To support its "Film Falmouth" series and "Film and Science" initiative

Woods Hole Historical Museum, \$2,500

To support the exhibit "Left Behind: Clues to Life in the Past on Cape Cod"

Anyone interested in contributing to The Falmouth Fund can contact Cape Cod Foundation President and CEO Kristin O'Malley at 508.790.3040, donate online at falmouthfund.org, or mail a check, payable to The Falmouth Fund, to: The Cape Cod Foundation, 261 Whites Path, Unit 2, South Yarmouth, MA, 02664.

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The Falmouth Fund, established in 2009, has awarded nearly \$700,000 in grants to more than 80 organizations pursuing important projects in education, health and human services, arts and culture, and the environment — all for the betterment of Falmouth and its citizens. The Falmouth Fund is a permanent endowment fund of The Cape Cod Foundation.

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