

# 34 non-profits get \$775K in grants from Bank of America

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Bank of America is giving \$775,000 in economic mobility grants to 34 Valley non-profits working to increase basic needs, workforce development and education opportunities.

The non-profits receiving funding are connecting youths to first-time jobs, giving young adults pathways to employment and providing second chances to individuals with barriers to help them rebuild careers and lives.

"We recognize that addressing immediate basic needs as well as connecting people to long-term success through skills-building and jobs are critical to achieving greater economic mobility in our community," said Bank of America Arizona market President Benito Almanza. "We're honored to partner with non-profit organizations Year Up Arizona from across the Valley that are helping to build a more inclusive and sustainable community."

Year Up will use the funding to support its program enabling low-income

adults, ages 18-24, to move from poverty to professional careers in one year.

Other organizations receiving grants are: A New Leaf, Arizona Women's Education & Employment, Aguila Youth Leadership, Back-to-School Clothing Drive, Be a Leader, Boys & Girls Clubs, Central Arizona Shelter Services, Chicanos Por La Causa, Child Crisis Center, Diocesan Council for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Diocese Phoenix, Dress for Success, Florence Crittendon Services of AZ, Fresh Start, Homeless ID Project, ICAN, ICM Food and Clothing Bank, Jewish Family & Children's Service, Junior Achievement of Arizona, Mesa United Way, Native American Connections, Inc., New Pathways for Youth, One-n-Ten Inc., St. Joseph the Worker, St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, Salvation Army National Corp., Seed Spot, Southwest Autism Research and Resource Center, Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS Inc., Sun City Interfaith Services (Benavilla), United Food Bank and Valley of the Sun United Way.

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