

# Family Strengthening Small Grants Fund

## Report on Grants Made in 2004

### 8<sup>th</sup> Round - Year 4

<b>Phillips Brooks Cooperative Housing</b> <b>Dorchester, MA</b> <b>Fiscal Agent: Brooks Cooperative Housing</b> Support for a project that aims to bring all generations within the community together for a series of parenting workshops, sewing and cooking classes, classes in Hip Hop and Break Dancing and classes for literacy and reading.	<b>3,925</b>	<b>07/04</b>
<b>Orchard Commons Enrichment Gardening</b> <b>Dorchester, MA</b> <b>Fiscal Agent: Greater Four Corners Action Coalition</b> Support for a community gardening project for youth ages 12-18 three days each week for the duration of the summer months. At the end of the growing season, the youth will create a newsletter that will explain what they learned about the outdoor community spaces and their own social development.	<b>4,500</b>	<b>07/04</b>
<b>Radio "Nha-Terra"</b> <b>Dorchester, MA</b> <b>Fiscal Agent: St. Patrick's Church</b> Continued support for the weekly, ethnic radio program that brings crucial information on civic, political, economic and social matters to the Cape Verdean community in Boston. The entire grant amount will be used for "antenna time."	<b>5,000</b>	<b>07/04</b>
<b>St. Patrick's Youth Soccer Program</b> <b>Roxbury, MA</b> <b>Fiscal Agent: St. Patrick's Church</b> Continued support for the soccer program that serves children living in the neighborhoods of Roxbury and North Dorchester. The program consists of three teams serving three different age groups: a co-ed team of children under the age of 8; a co-ed team of children under the age of 10; and a boys-only team under the age of 14.	<b>5,000</b>	<b>07/04</b>
<b>Titans Baseball Club</b> <b>a/k/a Roberto Clemente Sports Program</b> <b>Dorchester, MA</b> Continued support for this Club that has been serving neighborhood youth, providing them with an activity that keeps them safe and out of trouble during the summer months. This year, the Club will expand from serving 18 youth to 36 youth and will need additional equipment such as uniforms, balls and bats.	<b>5,000</b>	<b>07/04</b>

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**Trina Persad Charitable Fund** 5,000 07/04  
**Dorchester, MA**

**Fiscal Agent: Parents United for Child Care**

Support for this fund that was created in Trina' memory by her mother and community members for the purpose of enabling children to develop their artistic talents through weekly dance and choir classes that will culminate in a Family Arts Festival that is scheduled for June 2005.

**TOTAL - 8<sup>TH</sup> ROUND** **28,425**

**9<sup>th</sup> Round - Year 4**

**Bobby Mendes Peace Legacy** 3,155 12/04  
**Dorchester, MA**

**Fiscal Agent: Touchable Stories, Inc.**

Continued support for the Anti-Violence Peace Initiative that involves four activities: Annual Parent's and Children's Walk for Peace; "Christmas with Bobby" (party for neighborhood children and their families); Support for Survivors of Victims of Homicides (counseling as well as the creation and distribution of purple peace ribbons that are personalized buttons with images of people lost to violence); and Special Report Card Lunches (a special lunch for children who bring home good report cards).

**John Winthrop Elementary School Parents Council** 2,960 12/04  
**Dorchester, MA**

**Fiscal Agent: John Winthrop Elementary School**

Support for activities that will increase parental involvement in the education of their children. Activities will include four Family Curriculum Nights; 2 Family Field Trips; and curriculum awareness sessions for parents of incoming Kindergarten students help in the spring designed to help parents support their children's language skills during the months preceding the beginning of school.

**TOTAL - 9<sup>TH</sup> ROUND** **6,115**

**TOTAL GRANTS MADE IN 2004** **34,540**