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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

## Capital Area United Way Announces Project-Based Grant Recipients

**Baton Rouge, La. (October 13, 2021)** – Capital Area United Way awarded \$300,793 in project-based funding that will benefit 22 programs throughout the 10-Parish service area. These individual, short-term, project specific grants will address problems in the areas of education, income stability, health or basic needs.

“We are thrilled to continue with the project-based grant opportunity this fiscal year,” said George Bell, President and CEO of Capital Area United Way. “By providing these grants, we continue to engage with the community, listen to our partners’ needs, and work to address them in a timely fashion outside of the traditional three-year funding cycle.”

Project-based funding is a mechanism outside of the traditional three-year funding cycle that allows Capital Area United Way to be more responsive to the community’s needs. Capital Area United Way identified examples of funded projects to include pilot programs, funding for volunteer projects, professional development, among others.

These grants, selected and evaluated by community Grant Review Volunteers, were awarded to the following recipients:

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>Project Name</u>
ALPINE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP	Alpine Community Garden Enhancement Project
Baton Rouge Crisis Intervention Center, Inc.	Operation CAMS
Baton Rouge Youth Coalition (BRYC)	BRYC Campus Capital Improvements
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA	Eliminating Barriers to Access: Camp Character
DOUGLAS MANSHIP SR THEATER COMPLEXHOLDING INC	Bringing Literature to Life
EMPOWER 225	Empower 225 Academy
GARDERE INITIATIVE INC	Gardere Youth on the Move
GIRL SCOUTS LOUISIANA EAST INC	B.I.G. Event 2022
HOPE Ministries	The Way to Work Sustainable Workforce SOLUTIONS (TWTW)
HUMANITIES AMPED	Amped Alumni Pathways
JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BATON ROUGE INC	Painted Playground
LINE 4 LINE ONEIL BARBER AND BEAUTY SALON	Change the Narrative
LIVINGSTON ASSOCIATION FOR CHALLENGED ADULTS INC	Wheel Chair Ramps
McMains Children’s Developmental Center	McMains Inclusive Playground
NEW CONSECRATED COMMUNITY OUTREACH	iLEARN (K-3) Winter Tech Camp
PROPEL AMERICA	Capital Area Rural Impact Expansion Project
SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION	Disaster Legal Aid Hotline
TEACH FOR AMERICA INC	Teach for America: Summer School Teacher Training
The Emerge Center (Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation)	Emerge Continuity Camp
The Life of a Single Mom	Single Mom Intervention Boot Camp
VOLUNTEERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS INC	Technology Upgrades
YMCA of the Capital Area	Early Childhood Education Capital Project

“As an organization, we are happy to continue the project-based work with our partner agencies throughout the 10-Parish service area,” said Edy Addison, Senior Director of Community Impact. “With funding going to all 10 of our parishes, we are continuing to address needs in both urban and rural communities.”

The Project-based grants are in addition to the \$2.7 million awarded annually through program investment. Recently, Capital Area United Way awarded over \$500,000 in grant funding to Hurricane Ida relief efforts.

To learn more about Capital Area United Way and our funded partners, visit [www.cauw.org](http://www.cauw.org).

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### **Capital Area United Way**

For more than 97 years, Capital Area United Way has touched thousands of lives in our 10-Parish service area. We envision a community where everyone is empowered to reach their full potential. Our mission is to solve our community’s toughest challenges by leveraging partnerships to advance the common good in education, income stability, and healthy living. To learn more visit [www.cauw.org](http://www.cauw.org).